

Community Meeting

Recovery Is Community NWPA

Health Resources and Services
Administration (HRSA) Grant
Project Updates



**HRSA Rural Communities Opioid Response Program
(RCORP) Grant Projects**

Agenda:

Introduction

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Current Events

Mandy Fauble, PhD, LCSW

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UPMC Western Behavioral Health at Safe Harbor

Progress on Grant Initiatives

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Law Enforcement Perspectives

on Substance Use in Communities

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Personal Recovery Perspective





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Introduction

your health. your community. **our mission.**



At Safe Harbor

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Current Events

Sober Social Events

Date	event	#
8/4/2022	skating	70
7/7/2022	movie night	27
8/17/2022	family picnic	16
8/24/2022	movie night	9
8/26/2022	pool party	46
9/1/2022	skating	77
10/6/2022	Skating	200++!!



Other Recent Highlights

- 8 pregnant women and 16 women total in 2022 so far
- 500 Naloxone kits distributed at Applefest
- Specific Situations
 - All the parts click together!
 - Serving the community where they are
 - Outreach





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COMMUNITY
— NWPA —

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HRSA RCORP Grant Projects

Progress on Grant Initiatives

Our Consortium Partners:

Erie, Crawford and Venango County Single County Authorities for Substance Use services

UPMC Western Behavioral Health at Safe Harbor

UPMC Hamot and Northwest

Primary Health Network

LECOM Corry Memorial Hospital and Corry Counseling Services

UPMC Women's Recovery Center (Franklin and Erie)

Beacon Health Options

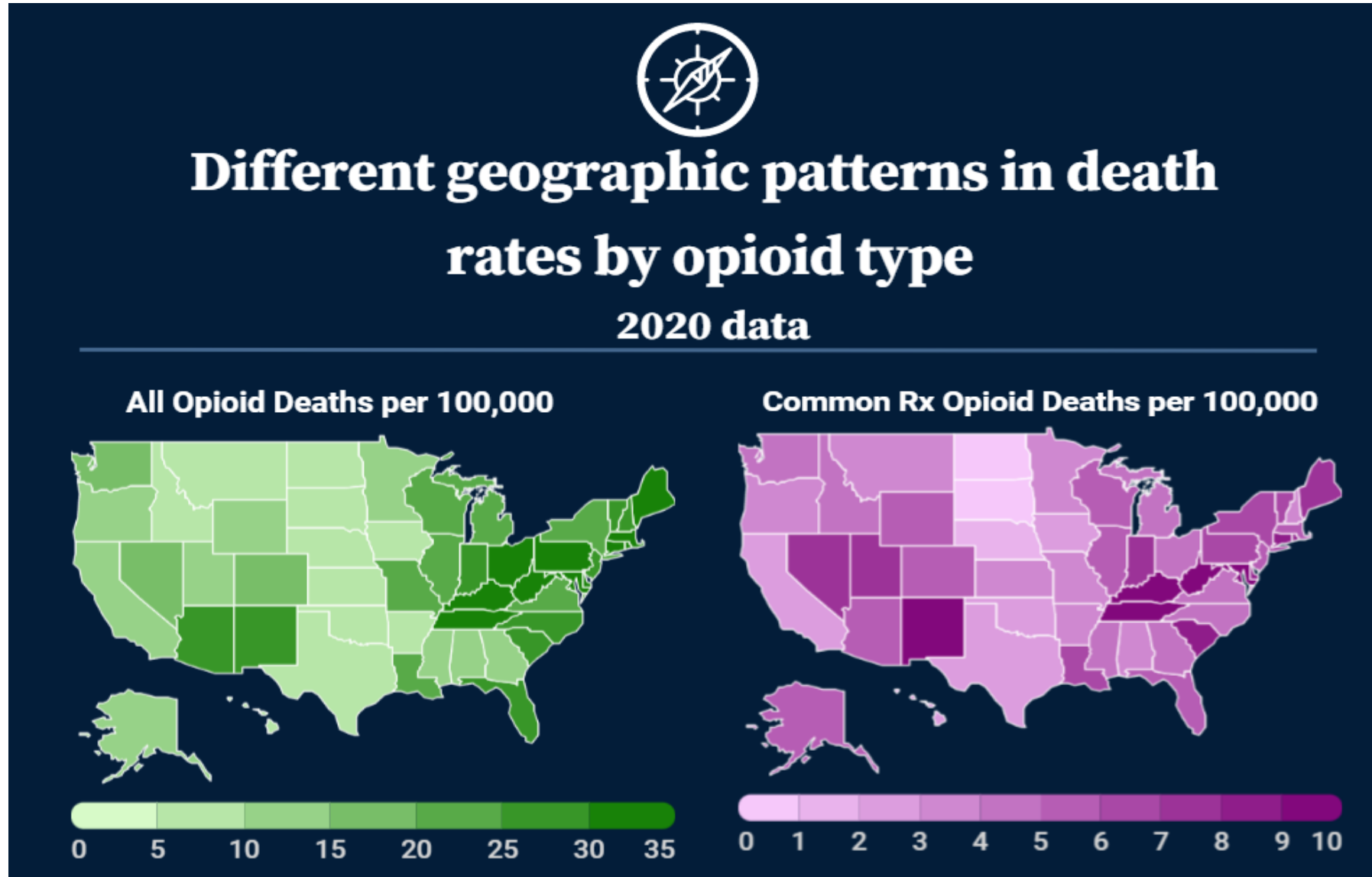
Corry Blue Zones Project

UPMC Center for High-Value Health Care

PA State Police Barracks Union City/Corry

Reducing stigma, educating about substance use, and promoting recovery!

83% OF ALL OPIOID DEATHS involved a synthetic product (PA 6.1)



Visualizing the Impact of the Opioid Overdose Crisis (nihcm.org)



Reducing stigma with person-centered language

So, What does the research say?

Substance Abuse

- Abuse versus SUD invoked greater negative explicit bias in treatment professionals and implicit bias in gen. pop.
- (Kelly & Westerhoff, 2010; Ashford, Brown & Curtis, 2018)

Opioid Addict

- Opioid Addict versus OUD invoked greater negative explicit bias and implicit bias in the general population
- (Goodyear et al., 2018; Ashford, Brown, & Curtis, 2018)

Alcoholic

- Alcoholic versus AUD invoked greater negative implicit bias in the general public
- (Ashford, Brown, & Curtis, 2018)

Relapse

- Recurrence of Use versus Relapse invoked greater positive implicit bias in the general public
- (Ashford, Brown & Curtis, 2018)

Identifying and Reducing Stigma and Discrimination in our Healthcare Systems
Robert D. Ashford, PhD MSW

Progress with substance use screening and referrals:

Pre-hospital (EMS) and hospital emergency departments are vital access points for health care. We are working to:

- Increase substance use screenings
- Implement motivational interviewing and address stigma to encourage referrals for substance use assessment
- Enhance relationships with Warm Handoff programs, between hospitals, county programs, law enforcement, communities
- Provide access to recovery support and care coordination

Individuals with Substance Use Disorders often present for medical care, but do not always disclose, or ask about treatment. **We are seeing increased patient engagement, screening, and referrals for recovery support, and warm handoff for substance use assessment.**

Psychostimulant Grant (2022-2025)

Crawford, Venango, and rural Erie Counties:

- Matrix Model training for providers
- Compassion Fatigue training for agencies, first responders, communities
- ADD/ADHD training on differential diagnoses and alternatives to stimulant medications when appropriate
- Promoting access to resources for those caring for individuals with ADD/ADHD

Evidence-based harm reduction efforts

- Increased education and distribution of naloxone in our communities
- Promoting overdose prevention with prescription drug disposal
- Encouraging community understanding of overdose reversal
- Subcommittees/coalitions to increase access to resources
 - Counseling, Medication for Opioid Use Disorder, support groups
- Reaching individuals and families in our communities
 - Direct outreach, social events, presentations (hospice, BH staff, VNA, ministerium)

Please share your feedback on our grant priorities:

<https://forms.microsoft.com/r/8AuH0PLW2M>

Thank you!





Trooper Michelle McGee

Community Service Officer

Pennsylvania State Police, Troop E – Franklin

Enrolled in Sept. 2002

Patrol, Troop E Franklin, April 2003

Community Service Officer, Troop E Meadville, October 2010

Community Service Officer, Troop E Franklin, March 2012 – present

Law Enforcement Perspectives on Substance Use in Communities

Venango County Problem Solving Court

- Program began November 2016
 - Seeks to treat people who are high risk/high need
 - Participants must be residents of Venango County
 - Must be 18+ years of age
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- Eligible PSC participants must have an addiction to a substance(s) of abuse and must be charged with a drug offense(s) or criminal offense(s) motivated by desire to support the drug habit, or a crime committed as a result of drug/alcohol habit

What is it and how does it work?

Exclusions

- The District Attorney will determine eligibility for the program
 - Case-by-case basis with consideration of number of factors:
 - Community safety
 - Current offense
 - Previous offenses
 - Crime victims; will be consulted and may offer input

If convicted of following offenses in past 10 years, EXCLUDED from consideration:

- Homicide/murder/voluntary manslaughter
- Burglary
- Robbery
- Kidnapping/unlawful restraint/false imprisonment
- Aggravated assault/simple assault/assault by prisoner
- Sexual offenses
- Arson, related offenses
- Recklessly endangering another person
- Terroristic threats

- Riot
- Stalking
- Witness intimidation
- Causing/risking catastrophe
- Escape
- Offenses involving a firearm
- Theft by extortion
- Any crime involving serious bodily injury to another person
- PWID (not automatic exclusion but case-by-case)
 - List is not exhaustive but used as a guide
 - Exceptions may be made for cases where offender has significant history of substance abuse, needs treatment, and otherwise qualifies
 - Individual with multiple pending cases not automatically excluded
 - Those facing parole/probation may also be eligible

Problem Solving Court team

- Judge
- District Attorney
- Coordinators
- Treatment
- Counselors
- Court supervision/probation officer
- County/human services
- Law enforcement liaison, not for capacity of enforcement
- Staffing and open court held twice/month, typically 2nd & 4th Tue.
 - Court sessions are held at 1:30 p.m. and are open

PSC statistics since 2016

- 24 graduates, with 2 upcoming November and 2 December
 - 2 have transferred to court program in Erie Co./Washington Co.
- 7 births in the program, only 1 was delivered drug affected
- 9 terminated for new charges
- 25 terminated due to *continued* non-compliance after numerous attempts to address behaviors (through sanctions, increased supervision/screening, additional treatment, extensions, higher levels of care, meetings and case management
 - It is not easy to be 'kicked out' of PSC

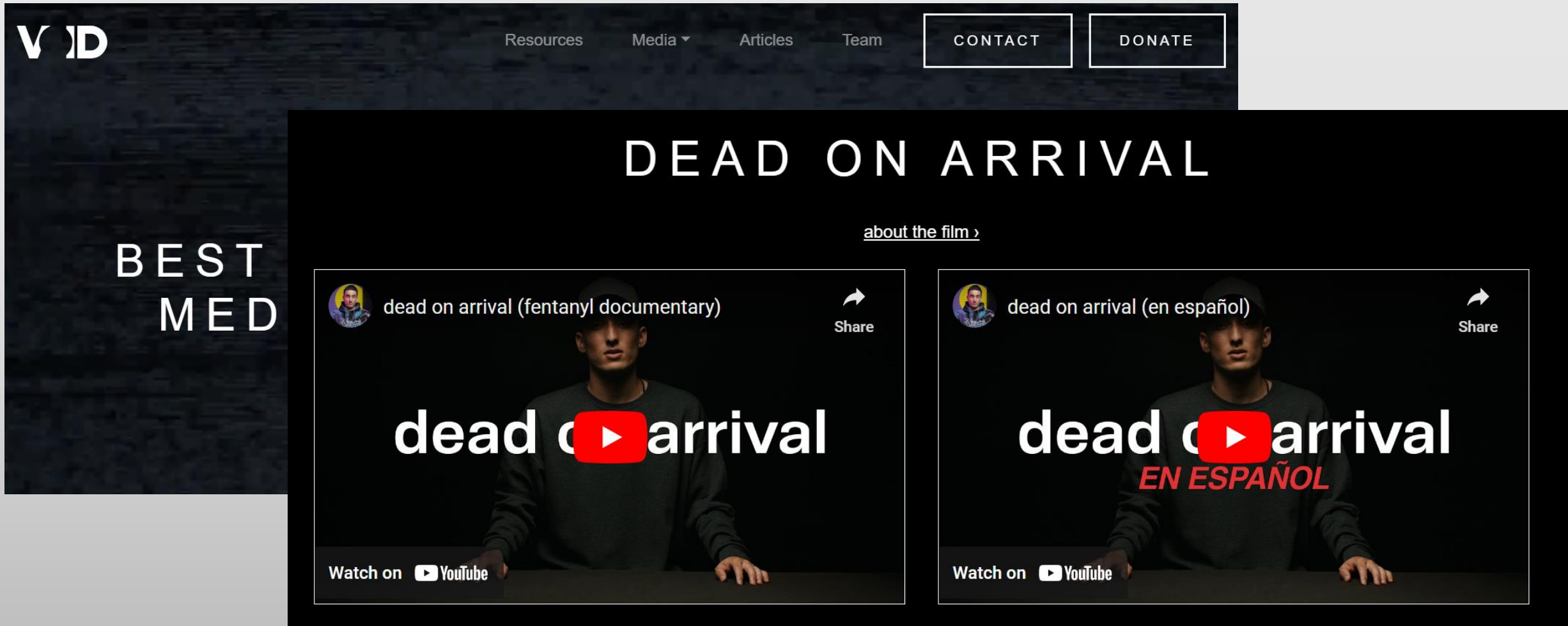
Overall goal...

- The Venango County Problem Solving Court program benefits the participants, their families, the legal system and maybe most importantly to YOU – the community

My overall take...

Please utilize this resource:

- www.stopthevoid.org



Treatment works and RECOVERY is possible!

