

Opioid and Drug Overdose Prevention

ACTIVITIES AND FUNDING—MARCH 2018

Federal Funds

SOURCE & AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
<p>Data-Driven Prevention Initiative <i>CDC, FY 2016-19</i> Funding amount to date: \$824,382</p>	<p>Prescription drug overdose is a public health threat throughout Minnesota; disparities among racially and ethnically diverse populations are particularly alarming: Minnesota ranks highest among all states in deaths due to drug poisoning among American Indians/Alaska Natives in comparison to Whites, and African Americans/Blacks to Whites.</p> <p>To prevent prescription drug and heroin overdose deaths in Minnesota, this collaborative project will (1) improve the use and function of our prescription monitoring program; (2) implement community and insurer/health system interventions to prevent overdose and abuse, across the population but starting in Minnesota’s Medicaid population; and (3) evaluate state-level practices and policies.</p>
<p>Expanded Surveillance of Opioid Overdose among States <i>CDC, FY 2017-19</i> Funding amount to date: \$384,813</p>	<p>Minnesota will enhance its state surveillance of opioid-involved morbidity and mortality by: 1) increasing the timeliness of aggregate nonfatal overdose reporting; 2) increasing the timeliness of fatal opioid overdose and associated risk factor reporting; and 3) disseminating surveillance findings to key stakeholders working to prevent opioid overdoses.</p>
<p>State Targeted Response Funding <i>SAMHSA, FY 2017-19</i> Total funding amount: \$300,000 (via DHS)</p>	<p>This one-time grant funding is for Emergency Medical Service (EMS) programs and is for the express purpose of purchasing and distributing Naloxone, training first responders, and purchasing supplies needed for training and dispensing of Naloxone.</p>
<p>Screening and Prevention among teen mothers and other women of child bearing age at greater risk <i>DHHS, FY 2017-20</i> Total expected funding: \$300,000</p>	<p>This one time grant funding from the Office of Woman’s Health will enable the department to create a model for improving pediatric providers’ abilities to support girls and young women (aged 10 to 17), and their families, in preventing opioid abuse with a focus on communities where American Indian, LGBT+ and African American youth are served.</p>

State Funds

SOURCE & AMOUNT	DESCRIPTION
HEALTH FY 2015-17 One-time amount: \$290,000	This one-time appropriation was for department to award the eight regional Emergency Medical Service (EMS) programs with money to purchase Naloxone and train first responders.
HEALTH FY 2018-19 One-time amount: \$1,000,028	This one-time appropriation supports a technical contract (\$300,000) with St. Gabriel’s Hospital in Little Falls, Minnesota to advise the department and state in best practice opioid overdose prevention. Most of the remaining funds (\$700,000) are supporting 7 to 10 community opioid overdose prevention projects (selected in March 2018 that will extend through February 2020).
HEALTH State Health Improvement Partnership (SHIP)	No state funds have yet been awarded or designated; however, the 2017 Minnesota Legislature gave permission for SHIP grantees to implement opioid prevention activities in their catchment areas.
HEALTH e-health Informatics	There is no opioid-specific funding—from state or federal sources—for the ehealth informatics initiative. Current state and federal dollars are all for broader ehealth/informatics activities. However, the program is identifying opportunities to enhance prevention efforts with its scope.

Other Funds

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Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists (CSTE), FY 2017-18 Total award: \$50,000	One-time grant funding is being used to pilot drug overdose surveillance among four hospitals (HCMC, Regions, St. Mary’s and St. Luke’s in Duluth)

Acronyms:

- CDC – Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- CSTE – Council of State and Territorial Epidemiologists
- DHS – Minnesota Department of Human Services
- EMS – Emergency Medical Service
- HCMC – Hennepin County Medical Center
- SAMSHA - Substance Abuse Mental Health Services Administration
- USDHHS – U.S. Department of Health and Human Services