

PREVENTION

in Communities

OVERVIEW: The SD Department of Social Services and the SD Department of Health actively work with numerous partners to provide prevention awareness and education across South Dakota. Supported activities are evidence-based and in alignment with SAMHSA's Opioid Overdose Prevention Toolkit.

KEY PARTNERS:

- Prevention Resource Centers
- Community-Based Prevention Providers
- Boys and Girls Clubs across SD



AS OF OCTOBER 2020...



More than 1,800 individuals have participated in locally-delivered prevention training or town hall meetings.



49 professionals have been trained in evidence-based prevention programming for opioid misuse and abuse.



More than 8,400 youth have been impacted by evidence-based prevention programming across SD communities.

STRATEGIES



Deliver evidence-based opioid awareness and education programming to communities across South Dakota by hosting prevention and awareness town hall events.



Support South Dakota communities as they build capacity and establish multi-sector partnerships to address the opioid epidemic at the local level. Plan and execute community-specific conversations and training events.



Provide education on safe disposal strategies for unwanted, unused, or expired medications.

COMMUNITIES THAT CARE

Preventing problems before they start.

In 2020, SD DOH solicited proposals for and awarded four communities with funding to support implementation of the Communities that Care (CTC) prevention system. CTC is proven to reduce youth health and behavior problems within communities, and helps local coalitions develop community-specific prevention plans based on their unique problems and risk and protective factors. CTC's 5-phase process provides communities with a step-by-step guide and tools to build a high functioning prevention coalition, develop a community profile, and create and ultimately implement action plans in response to needs identified. Selected areas included Brown, Dewey, Hughes, and Todd Counties.

If you or someone you know is struggling with addiction - don't wait. Reach out.

www.AvoidOpioidSD.com
South Dakota Resource Hotline
1-800-920-4343

To learn more about prevention activities across South Dakota, please contact DSS, Division of Behavioral Health at 605-367-5236.

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