

Connecticut Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee

Updates

October 17, 2023

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- Municipal Reporting
- CORE Report Draft Summary
 - Public Comment Link
- Public Input
 - Link to submit recommendations to OSAC

Municipal Reporting Requirements

- Public Act 23-92
- Annual reporting to the Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee
- Expenditure report due on or before October 1, 2023

Summary of the Municipal Reports

- 106 Municipalities Submitted the Expenditure Report
- Successes Reported:
 - Collaboration between many towns and departments (police, fire, EMS, local health departments, human services and schools)
 - Expansion of existing programs for continued success
 - Identified short- and long-term projects that would have the most impact on their communities
 - Provided Naloxone to First Responders
 - Training and Education

The Connecticut Opioid REsponse (CORE) Report

- Dr. Fiellin and the team at Yale reviewed the revised CORE report at the last OSAC meeting on September 12, 2023
- The report is a preliminary set of recommendations to provide timely guidance to the Connecticut Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee (OSAC)
- The strategies and tactics highlighted in the report align with guidance from the Opioid Litigation Settlement (Exhibit E). The priorities aim to provide both general and specific guidance on potential funding initiatives

The Connecticut Opioid REsponse (CORE) Report

- This early draft will allow for public and expert comment, and it is anticipated that a more detailed version of the report will be available in February 2024
- A 60-day public comment period is now open. The comment period will close on November 12, 2023
- The public comment link is available on the OSAC website <https://portal.ct.gov/COSAC> and here:

https://yalesurvey.ca1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_d5SmccjWJAAAD7o

Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee (OSAC) Public Input

- To ensure robust public involvement, the OSAC is opening a link to receive input from diverse stakeholders regarding recommendations for funding of initiatives to combat the opioid crisis that are evidence-based or a promising practice
- Governmental and nonprofit nongovernmental entities shall be eligible to receive moneys from the fund for programs, services, supports and resources for prevention, treatment, recovery and harm reduction

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- Any member of the public (e.g., subject matter experts, individuals with lived experience, preventionists, academics, service providers, municipalities, policy makers, researchers) may submit an idea on how these funds could be used to help those most impacted by the opioid crisis
- The OSAC will follow the approved guidelines for processing recommendations
- Submitting a recommendation does not guarantee funding
- The Committee will review and make determinations on all recommendations

Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee (OSAC)

- For additional background, please refer to the webpage <https://portal.ct.gov/COSAC>
- All documents related to the settlement dollars, the responsibility and scope of the OSAC, as well as permitted uses of the funding (i.e., Exhibit E) are posted

Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee (OSAC) Public Input

- The link to submit a funding recommendation “How to Make a Funding Request to OSAC” will be active for a 30-day period from October 17, 2023, through November 17, 2023

How to Make a Funding Request to OSAC (Open from October 17, 2023, through November 17, 2023)

Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee (OSAC)

- Next OSAC meeting November 14, 2023, 10 am- 12 pm via TEAMS
- OSAC Subcommittees continue meeting monthly
- Questions may be directed to Katherine.Ramos@ct.gov

Thank you!