



State Opioid Response (SOR) Grant

(1/22/19)

Project Period: 9-30-18 to 9-29-20

Federal Funding Amount: \$11,129,713 annually

TREATMENT

1. Fund six substance abuse treatment clinics to provide medication, recovery coaching and vocational support for people with opioid use disorders. (CNV Help, Waterbury; The Village, Hartford; Cornell Scott-Hill Health, New Haven, BH Care, Milford; United Services, Putnam; SCADD, New London).
2. Provide vouchers for residential treatment in conjunction with medication assisted treatment for people with opioid use disorders who are un-insured or under-insured.
3. Fund the CT Department of Correction to provide pre-release and post-release treatment and overdose prevention to inmates with opioid use disorders, in the Hartford, Bridgeport and New Haven jails as well as at Osborn and Corrigan correctional centers.
4. Provide street and shelter based medication assisted treatment in New Haven and Milford.

RECOVERY SUPPORT

5. Provide temporary housing support to individuals in early recovery who are in urgent need for safe housing.
6. Provide on-call Recovery Coaches at thirteen hospital Emergency Departments. (Windham; Manchester; Backus; L & M; Day Kimball; Danbury; Charlotte Hungerford; Hospital of Central CT; St. Francis; MidState; St. Mary's; Johnson Memorial; and Stamford).
7. Fund clinicians at courts in New London, Waterbury and Torrington to conduct assessments and refer individuals with substance use disorders to treatment.
8. Fund "Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion" (LEAD) for the Hartford and New Haven police departments in collaboration with Hill Health Center and InterCommunity, Inc.
9. Provide Recovery Coaches at eight methadone clinics and continue funding MATx grant Recovery Coaches at four community providers.
10. Fund the faith-based initiative, "Imani Breakthrough", in New Haven and add a similar Latino faith-based initiative.
11. Fund eight community-based "How Can We Help?" initiatives in overdose "hot-spots". (Bristol, New Britain, New London, Newington, Norwich, Middletown (2) and Torrington)
12. Provide employment support at recovery houses and halfway houses to assist people newly in recovery with getting employment.
13. Provide weekly opioid education and family support meetings in seven locations statewide. (New Haven; Hartford (2); Plainville; Willimantic; Torrington; New London).

14. Fund the Department of Children and Families to support a statewide Youth Coordinator that will facilitate a statewide recovery support system for youth; provide Multi-Dimensional Family Therapy and Recovery Check-up training; provide training and consultation to pediatricians, and support two recovery care managers.
15. Support the new Greater Hartford Harm Reduction drop-in center.

EDUCATION & AWARENESS

1. Continue the opioid targeted social media campaign “Change the Script” and provide mini-grants to 20 college campuses under the Connecticut Healthy Campus Initiative (**Clearinghouse/Wheeler Clinic** - increase from 17 STR funded).
2. Provide mini-grants to a minimum of seventy five community coalitions for opioid awareness, disposal, storage and other prevention activities (**Community coalitions - continuation of STR**).
3. Develop an interactive web based training and a webinar along with an accompanying users guide on Opioid Education and Awareness (**Cross Sector/Training & Technical Assistance Service Center**).
4. Train parents in both English and Spanish on communicating effectively with children on the dangers of drug use. (**Courage to Speak** – continuation of STR).
5. Support the State Education Resources Center to develop and provide opioid-related curriculum to school systems (**SERC** – new with SOR funding. SERC is developing a plan and is recruiting school district participants).

OVERDOSE PREVENTION/HARM REDUCTION

6. Support the five DMHAS Regional Behavioral Health Action Organizations to conduct Narcan training and distribution and include suicide screenings at such events; and provide mini-grants to a minimum of seventy five community coalitions for opioid awareness and prevention activities.
 - [Regional Youth Adult Social Action Partnership](#) (Southwest CT)
 - Alliance for Prevention Wellness/BH Care (South Central CT)
 - [Southeastern Regional Action Council](#) (Eastern CT)
 - North Central Regional Mental Health Board, Inc. (North Central CT)
 - [Housatonic Valley Coalition against Substance Abuse](#) (Western CT)
7. Purchase 12,000 Narcan kits:
 - 1500 for DMHAS
 - 3500 for the DMHAS Regional Behavioral Health Action Organizations
 - 2500 for the CT Department of Public Health
 - 1500 for the CT Department of Correction
 - 3000 for the CT Hospital Association

TRAINING & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

8. Provide opioid-related pastoral counseling training.

9. Support the UCONN Health Center/Department of Community Medicine to evaluate opioid-related education, training and public awareness (**UConn Health**).

10. Provide education and awareness to businesses via their employee assistance programs. (**Governors Prevention Partnership** using hybrid explainer – will develop a schedule of businesses who will receive training).