

Arizona Substance Abuse Partnership  
Thursday, February 4, 2021

**State Opioid Response II Grant Strategies**  
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**Opioid Action Plan**

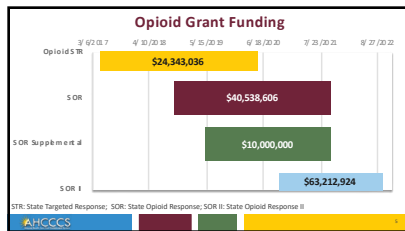
- Primary prevention
- Stigma reduction/public education
- Naloxone, naloxone, naloxone
- Practitioner education
- Identification and navigation to evidence-based treatment
  - Peer Support
  - MAT

**AHCCCS SU Spending SFY20**

\$529 million spend on SU services

- 88% Medicaid funding
- 6% SABG
- 4% Other Federal Grants

[FY2020AnnualSABReport.pdf \(ahcccs.com\)](#)



**State Opioid Response II**

- **Funding Period:** 9/30/20 – 9/29/22 (2 years)
- **Amount:** \$31,606,462 per year
- **Area served:** All Regions
- **Population of Focus:** individuals with active opioid use; individuals with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD); individuals at risk for opioid overdose; individuals with stimulant use disorder; individuals in recovery; and youth, parents, community members and health consumers unaware of the potential risks of opioid/stimulant misuse and abuse

**SOR II Subrecipients**

Arizona Department of Child Safety	Arizona Department of Corrections, Rehabilitation and Reentry	Arizona Department of Veterans Services	Governor's Office of Youth, Faith and Family
University of Arizona	Arizona State University	First Things First	Arizona Department of Health Services
Gila River TRIBA	Piscata Yaqui TRIBA	City of Tucson - High Intensity Drug Trafficking Program	City of Phoenix - Phoenix Police Department
PAWS Institute	Arizona Complete Health, RBHA	Mercy Care RBHA	Health Choice RBHA

**Treatment Activities**


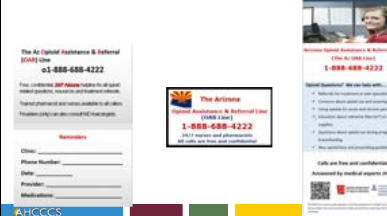
- Increase navigation and access to medication-assisted treatment in metropolitan and rural areas in Arizona
  - Sustain Opioid Treatment on Demand - 24/7 access point to receive immediate connection to treatment
- Increase street-based outreach to identify high-risk individuals, get them into treatment, and provide them with resource options in a timelier manner

**24/7 Access Points**

Provider	Address	Phone Number
CODAC Health, Recovery and Wellness	380 E. Ft. Lowell Road, Tucson, AZ 85705	520-202-1786
Community Bridges, East Valley Addiction Recovery Center	560 S. Bellview, Mesa, AZ 85204	480-461-1711
Community Medical Services	2806 W. Cactus Road, Phoenix, AZ 85029	602-607-7000
Intensive Treatment Systems, West Clinic	4136 N. 75th Ave #116 Phoenix, AZ 85033	623-247-1234


### Central Locator

- Real time locator for Opioid Use Disorder services
- RFP awarded to Carahsoft - Solution provided by Syntasa and Google
- Goal: Go live early 2021

The Arizona Opioid Assistance & Referral Line (OARL) Line  
1-888-688-4222

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### Recovery Support

- Expand peer support network and employment assistance
- Increase recovery and supportive housing options
  - Recovery housing, transitional housing units, bridge shelter, rental assistance
- Enhance support for opioid-exposed newborns and pregnant women who have opioid and stimulant use disorder



### Prevention Program Activities

- Sustaining and Enhancing Naloxone Distribution
- Expanding Trauma-Informed Care Prevention Efforts
- Increasing Localized Community Opioid and Stimulant Prevention Efforts
- Addressing Critical Prevention Deserts
- PAX Good Behavior Game



### Example of Primary Prevention

[Paxis Institute](#)

- Pax Good Behavior Game (GBG)
- Pax Tools




### Psychostimulants, Fentanyl and Counterfeit Pills


#### SOR Project

<https://saclaz.org/>




### Fentanyl and Counterfeit Pills

- Based on 27 community forums across the state
- Top 5 Themes (order of importance)
  - Lack of information and Awareness
    - Need to educate community and families
  - Access to fentanyl and counterfeit pills
    - Cheap, easy to get via social media
  - Stigma
    - Naloxone, Treatment
  - Trauma and Toxic Stressors
  - Lack of access to Mental Health Services and Substance Use Treatment



### Community Education




**Fentanyl Facts, One Sheets, Community Awareness**

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**Naloxone – Education & Awareness**

WITH NALOXONE YOU CAN  
**SAVE YOUR BROTHER'S LIFE.**

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Questions?

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# Arizona Youth Survey

Arizona Criminal Justice Commission

2020

## What is the Arizona Youth Survey?

- Survey of 8th, 10th, and 12th grade students
- Mandated by A.R.S. § 41-2416
- Problematic behaviors and their correlates
- Based on nationally recognized surveys

## Participation History

Year	2012	2014	2016	2018	2020
Schools	349	243	249	246	152
Students	62,817	48,244	57,170	49,009	30,052

## Survey Administration

- All schools are eligible
- Administered by teachers or other administrators
- The survey is:
  - Anonymous
  - Voluntary
  - Free
  - Available in online or paper formats
  - Administered on a day selected by the school
  - Exempt from Arizona parental consent laws
- Participating schools and districts receive an individualized report

## What Types of Questions Are Asked?

- Substance Use
- Gang Involvement
- Risky Behaviors
- Schools Experiences/Interactions
- Family/Household Interactions
- Risk and Protective Factors
- Demographics

## New Questions for 2020: Vaping

- Vaping nicotine
  - Ever
  - How many occasions (30 day/lifetime)
- Vaping drugs other than nicotine (30 day/lifetime)
  - Flavoring that does not contain nicotine or other drugs
  - Mentholane, tooth oil, or substances with THC/CBD oil
- Vaping other legal drugs (lifetime only)
  - Synthetic marijuana
  - Marijuana
  - Others
- Source of nicotine products used with vaping devices
  - Smoke shop
  - Store that has a smoke shop
  - Family member/relative
  - Friend
  - Gave someone money to buy it
  - Internet

## New Questions for 2020: Gambling

- In the past 12 months, how many times have you done the following:
  - Played the lottery or scratch tickets
  - Bet on a game of personal skill
  - Bet on a card game
  - Bet on a dice game
  - Paid to play bingo
  - Bet on sports
  - Spent money to access extra features on video games/apps (e.g., virtual items, character upgrades, loot boxes, extended play)

## New Questions for 2020: ACEs

- Are your biological parents separated, divorced, or not living together?
- Since you were born until now, have you ever lived with:
  - Anyone who was a problem drinker/alcohol?
  - Anyone who used illegal street drugs or abused prescription medications?
  - Anyone who served time or was sentenced to serve time in a correctional facility?
  - Parents or adults who slapped, hit, kicked, punched, or beat each other up?
  - Parents or adults who swore at you, insulted you, or put you down?

