NYS AHEC System
Opioid Prevention Education Project
Participating Centers

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The Opioid Epidemic

Did you know:

⇒ It only takes 5 days to become addicted to opioids!
⇒ 130+ People die every day from opioid related overdoses
⇒ 11.4 Million people misused prescription opioids in 2017
⇒ 2.3 Million people had an Opioid Use Disorder
⇒ 42,249 People died from overdosing on opioids in 2017

Hhs.gov/opioids

Our Response:
The New York State Area Health Education Center System is working to combat the opioid epidemic in New York State by implementing the Opioid Prevention Education Project, a continuation from our Opioid Expansion Project in 2018-2019. This project aims to expand preventive education related to opioids, their use and misuse, diagnosis, and treatment for health professionals, future practitioners, and the general population. The project will accomplish this by offering services including: Provider Training, Community Prevention, and Student Education.

For more information regarding the Opioid Prevention Education Project, contact the State Office: Tel |716-816-7225

Community Prevention Events and Outreach

⇒ AHEC Centers will coordinate community events focusing on:
  • Opioid Use Disorder
  • Prevention
  • Available Treatment

⇒ Events provide prevention education and highlight community partners and available resources.

High School & College Student Education

⇒ Information sessions will be held at educational institutions for students.

⇒ Information for students will include:
  • What is Opioid Use Disorder
  • Prevention and Awareness
  • Available Treatments and Resources

Health Professional Continuing Education

⇒ Medication Assisted Treatment is a practice used to treat Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) incorporating:
  • Medication: Buprenorphine
  • Counseling
  • Behavioral Therapy

⇒ Buprenorphine
  • Reduces drug use and death from opioids
  • Keeps patients in treatment
  • Improves health and social outcomes

⇒ Participating AHEC’s can coordinate trainings for providers to become trained in Medication Assisted Treatment. Providers then become eligible to apply for a Buprenorphine prescribing waiver.

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