

# {STR OPIOID} NORTH DAKOTA STATE TARGETED RESPONSE TO THE OPIOID CRISIS

The **State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis Grant** includes both statewide implementation and community-focused implementation. There are three main focus areas that have been determined: increasing evidence-based treatment and recovery services for individuals with OUD, with a focus on individuals reentering communities from criminal justice settings; increasing implementation of evidence-based primary and secondary prevention strategies; increasing utilization of effective treatment services for OUD (reducing stigma).

## FUNDING STREAM:

Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)



ND Department of Human Services: Behavioral Health Division



**9** Local Public Health Units, Treatment Facilities & Tribes

Prevention of opioid overdose deaths in North Dakota.

# PRIORITY

## TREATMENT & RECOVERY **80%**

- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- Peer Support Services

**Partners:** Healthcare Providers, Human Service Ctrs, Treatment Facilities, Recovery Orgs, Corrections

## PREVENTION **20%**

- Public Education Campaigns
- Narcotics Readiness

**Partners:** Law Enforcement, First Responders, Schools & Universities, Corrections, Community Stakeholders

## THE PROBLEM:

**20**  
DEATHS  
IN 2013

**61**  
DEATHS  
IN 2015

Overdose deaths in North Dakota increased from 20 deaths in 2013 to 61 deaths in 2015.

CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality

## BUT WHY HERE?

**59.7%**

### Widely Available

The number of prescriptions dispensed in 2015 (1,493,847) is a 59.7% increase from the number dispensed in 2008 (935,201).

ND Prescription Drug Monitoring Program

**23.8%**

### Accessibility

23.8% of ND adults perceive it is not at all difficult for adults or youth to access prescription drugs in their community.

CRS, 2015

**65.6%**

### Accessibility

65.9% of people who abuse prescription pain relievers obtain them from a friend or relative.

NSDUH National Findings, 2014

**63%**

### Early Age of First Use

Of the 4.9% of ND college students who have used prescription drugs non-medically in the past year, 63% said they did so for the first time before turning 18.

NDCORE, 2014