Substance Use Prevention
In Ohio

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Prevention should only be directed to evidence-based strategies that communities have determined are effective to address their specific needs.
Increase in Overdose Deaths
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• Ohio has the second highest rate of overdose deaths of any state in the nation.
• It is estimated that between 92,000 and 170,000 Ohioans have an Opioid Abuse or Dependency Disorder
• 4,000 Ohioans died of an unintentional drug overdose in 2016
Over the past 17 years the Opioid crisis has spread significantly.
Community Prevention Overview

Often, community-based prevention includes school settings but further expands the audience and resources to envelop the health of the community as a whole.

- Lucas County Heroin & Opiate Initiative
- Coalition for a Healthy Community – Oxford Area
School-based prevention programs look different in every community, as there are no official state standards regulating them.

- SAFE HOME
- DARE
- PAX Good Behavior Game
- Start Talking!
Policy Changes

• Ohio Joint Study Committee on Drug Use Prevention and Education
• House Bill 367
Funding

• Federal Funding
• State Funding
• Local Funding
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