

PRESCRIPTION OPIOIDS & STIMULANTS AWARENESS & EDUCATION GRANT JAN-MARCH 2022 PROJECT NEWSLETTER



PROJECT NEWS:

- ⇒ **TWO NEW VIDEOS** have been completed in collaboration with Montana PBS: 1) Reduce Stigma by Learning about Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD), and 2) Treatment & Recovery involving Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD). Please visit [our website](#) to view these videos! Or subscribe to our [YouTube channel video series](#)
- ⇒ **FREE ENROLLMENT** in the Thrive for Montana online self-paced emotional well-being program for adults. For more information please visit [our website](#) OR [enroll here!](#)
- ⇒ **TOOLKITS AVAILABLE:** Prescription Opioid Prevention and Awareness Toolkits. Check out all five modules on [our website](#).
- ⇒ **STATEWIDE TRAINING-**'*Highlighting Evidence-Based Youth Risk Behavior Programs*', was held in November. Seven programs were highlighted. Some examples include Youth Aware of Mental Health, Active Parenting, and Generation RX. For more information about all seven programs covered, please visit [our website](#).

OPIOIDS IN THE NEWS:

- Forensic analysts** have identified a new and highly potent family of synthetic opioids (November 29, 2021) [TO READ MORE-CLICK HERE](#)
- Veterans Study** Finds Issues Go Beyond Opioids. (December 9, 2021) [TO READ MORE CLICK HERE](#)
- More than 100,000 Americans died** of drug overdoses in one year. (Updated on November 17, 2021) [TO READ MORE CLICK HERE](#)
- Did pandemic lockdowns worsen** the opioid epidemic? (December 14, 2021). [TO READ MORE CLICK HERE](#)

Meet the Team

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HOTLINE - NEED HELP?

If you or someone you love is dealing with opioid misuse, please contact the SAMHSA Hotline at (800) 662-HELP (4357).

UPCOMING TRAININGS:

Naloxone Master Trainer Program Information

[\(click to register\)](#)

Completion of the Naloxone Master Trainer program authorizes individuals to conduct Naloxone Training for those eligible for liability protections when administering Naloxone to a suspected opiate overdose in Montana under the 2017 Help Save Lives from Overdose Act (HB333). For train-the-trainer program dates visit the [MT DPHHS website](#)

Medication for Opioid Use Disorder

[\(click to register\)](#)

This course may be taken as an abbreviated training for healthcare providers new to prescribing buprenorphine or as a refresher for those with a waiver.
February 11, 2022 8:30 am to 11:30 am

Emergency Department MOUD and Rapid Referral Implementation II

[\(click to register\)](#)

This 2-day training is for ED Department or Hospital Teams who are in the process of, or want to implement, MOUD initiation.
February 3-4, 2022 8:30 am to 3:00 pm

ASAM Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder Course-Waiver Qualifying

[\(click to register\)](#)

Course covers all treatments and medications for opioid use disorder. The training is designed for providers who plan to obtain a waiver to prescribe buprenorphine in office-based treatment of opioid use disorders.
February 24-25, 2022 8:30 am to 12:30 pm

ASAM Moving Beyond the Barriers of Treating Opioid Use Disorder

[\(click to register\)](#)

This course provides a deeper dive into implementing office-based treatment for opioid use disorder and addresses common barriers that prevent DEA-waivered clinicians from successfully treating patients with OUD.
March 3, 2022 9:00 am to 12:00 pm

MSU Extension Collaborators

(ROTA 2020 Grant):

- ⇒ Katelyn Anderson/Ravalli County
- ⇒ Jesse Fulbright/Liberty County
- ⇒ Hillary Maxwell/Fort Belknap
- ⇒ Julie Riley & Mary Rumph/Powder River County
- ⇒ Mary Miller, Prevention Specialist for Toole County

These collaborators have participated in various grant activities including focus groups, youth surveys, and dissemination of project generated materials.

Piikani Lodge Health Institute Collaborators

(ROTA 2018 & 2020 Grants)

PLHI is a non-profit organization founded and led by indigenous people, focusing on the needs of tribal communities. Working within a traditional Indigenous and western-science context, PLHI's goal is to balance community-relevant work with challenge-focused education, technical assistance training, and purpose-oriented job creation, and strive to meet the needs of Indigenous communities through Indigenous community solutions.

- *Kim Paul, Director
- *Anne Racine, Program Coordinator
- *Joni Augare, Program Coordinator
- *Erika Mad Plume, Community Outreach
- *Amy Sure Chief, Community Outreach

This team developed a tribal-focused Prescription Opioid Prevention and Awareness Toolkit (for both faculty and student education). To obtain a copy of the toolkit, please contact the [project manager](#). In addition to the tribal-focused toolkits, this team is currently working on an Indigenous youth-relevant, interactive opioid and stimulant presentation to share in high schools serving Tribal Nations across Montana and the creation of a prevention video, inclusive of Montana Indigenous youth, adult and elder voices.