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MILWAUKEE OVERDOSE RESPONSE INITIATIVE (MORI)

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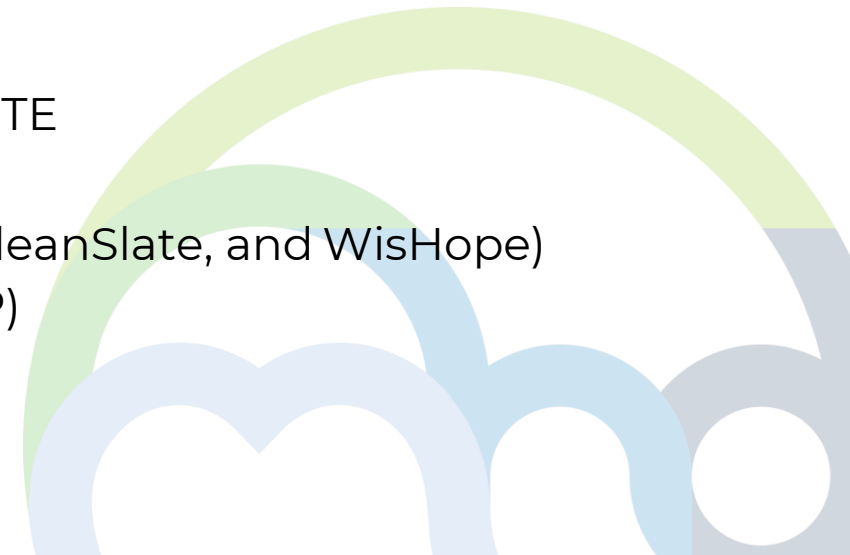
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MORI UPDATES

2022/23 NACCHO-IOPSLL GRANT FUNDING

- MHD/MFD applied for and awarded \$500,000 NACCHO Grant
 - Implementing Overdose Prevention Strategies at the Local Level (IOPSLL)
 - Personnel:
 - MHD
 - Public Health Strategist - .5 FTE
 - Health Budget & Administration Manager - .05 FTE
 - MFD
 - MORI Community Paramedic Team Lead - 1.0 FTE
 - MORI Community Paramedic Team member - .61 FTE
 - Contractual Services:
 - Peer Support Partners (Community Medical Services, CleanSlate, and WisHope)
 - Data Analysis & Evaluation (MCW) - (funded by COSSAP)
 - Transportation Services
 - UBER/Lyft/Bus passes



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HARM REDUCTION ACTIVITIES

- Narcan Distribution 9/1/21 - present
 - Community Partners - 484 kits delivered
 - St. Joseph's Hospital, St. Francis Hospital, MSOE School of Nursing, Wisconsin Community Services, Inc., Keenan Health Center, MFD Station 31, Benedict Center, House of Corrections, Franklin
 - Community Member - 58 kits distributed
 - People who use opioids or are around people who use opioids
 - All received training



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FENTANYL TEST STRIPS

- Question of Legality
 - City Attorney's Office advised MHD to cease distribution of test strips and await state legislative action (email on 11/24/21)
 - Fentanyl test strips fall within the definition for drug paraphernalia.



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STAFFING/ PERSONNEL

- Aziza Carter transitioned to a Supervisory role within the MHD Sexual and Reproductive Health Program 11/26/21
- Public Health Strategist - Substance Misuse position currently vacant and awaiting posting by DER



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MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH/COMMUNITY PARAMEDICS

- Applied for and awarded 2022/24 BJA COSSAP grant funding (\$1.2 Million)
 - Continuation of MORI into 2024
 - Provides for additional FTE Staffing
 - Second vehicle to conduct daily operations in support of MORI
 - Includes additional contractual support for Peer Support Partners
 - Improve ability to conduct follow-up visits with MORI patients
 - Improve ability to conduct outside requests/initiatives from MORI partners at MCW, OFR, OD-PHAST



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MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH/COMMUNITY PARAMEDICS

- Narcan Distribution as harm reduction via MORI responses (WI Narcan Direct)
 - Began distribution at end of July 2021
 - 129 Kits Distributed as of January 12, 2022
 - 72 Unique MORI patients, with additional distribution to family/friends of MORI patients and during community outreach events
 - 10 subsequent “refills;” with reported use of Narcan kits for overdoses since initial distribution
- Training was provided to all those receiving a Narcan kit prior to distribution



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MOBILE INTEGRATED HEALTH/COMMUNITY PARAMEDICS

- MFD Community Paramedic MORI team has responded to over 2500 individuals
- During previous NACCHO grant, MORI engaged 809 unique individuals that had been identified as having experienced a non-fatal overdose related to opioids
 - Of those 809, 117 (14%) declined any services,
- 692 worked with MORI in some capacity
 - 121 (15%) being assisted directly into treatment services,
- 57 (8%) of those that previously worked with MORI had repeat visits due to a subsequent overdose and MFD 9-1-1 response



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THE FUTURE

- Working on providing Narcan kits as harm reduction during 9-1-1 responses to non-fatal overdoses, as a means to increase the access of life saving harm reduction within the community
- Looking forward to the big pharma money discussions and how this can be used to support MORI and other efforts that are working diligently to reduce the ever-increasing numbers of both fatal and non-fatal overdoses here in Milwaukee



QUESTIONS?



THANK YOU!

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