

City-County Heroin, Opioid and Cocaine Task Force

Work Plan Questions from staff for the task force to further consider:

1. Do we need to add an additional goal on reducing the supply and availability of opioids, heroin, and cocaine? (e.g. law enforcement strategies?).
2. How do we approach the nexus of substance use and the criminal justice system? (do we create a new goal or address it under continuum of care?). Should we consider the following strategies:
 - a. Advocate for the expansion/adequate funding of treatment alternative diversion programs (“drug courts”) as a cost effective alternative to incarceration.
 - b. Advocate that prisoners be adequately treated for SUD while incarcerated, including providing MAT when appropriate.
 - c. Advocate for treatment alternatives to revocation for drug related offenses to probation violations.
 - d. Advocate that public insurance coverage be temporarily suspended (rather than canceled) for those who are incarcerated
 - e. Alternatives to revocation for relapsing for drug offenders
3. Should we consider other harm reduction strategies?
 - a. Advocate for or implement expanded needle exchange
 - b. Supervised injection sites
4. What does the model for oversight of plan implementation and evaluation look like after the work plan is written? (Does the committee stay and meet quarterly, do you pass of the work plan to a coalition?)
5. On Goal 7 around law enforcement criminal justice issues, what group or individuals should be contacted or invited to have further discussion? Should they come before the task force or offline via a work group?