

Statewide Substance Use Working Group (SURG)

Needs Assessment

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January Feedback

- During the January Advisory Council for a Resilient Nevada (ACRN) and SURG meetings, Mercer received feedback that the below topics/areas may need to be expanded upon or were suggested for inclusion into the *Needs Assessment*.
- Topics/Areas:
 - Regional Level Data Stratifications
 - Primary Care and Continuity Care (Low-Cost Care, MAT availability in FQHCs/RHCs)
 - Mental Health Disease-specific Rates
 - Juvenile SUD/OD Rates and Risk Factors
 - Childhood Trauma
 - Harm-Reduction Services
 - Online/Easily Accessible Educational Resources
 - Accessibility of Care – Time and Distance



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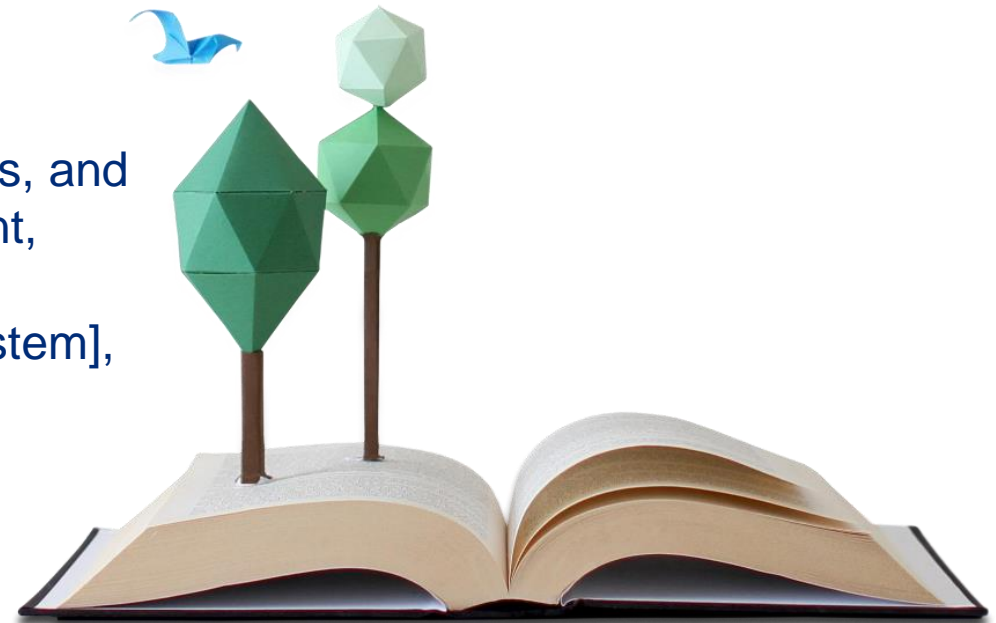
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Report Breakdown

- Section 1 – Background
- Section 2 – Methodology
- Section 3 – Opioid Impact
- Section 4 – Polysubstance, Co-Occurring Conditions, Suicide Impact
- Section 5 – Risk Factors
- Section 6 – Best Practices
- Section 7 – Recommendations

All sections will include information addressing disparities, inequities, and access (geographic regions, special populations [veterans, pregnant, parents of dependent children, youth, LGBTQ, persons families incarcerated individuals, juvenile justice, and children in welfare system], race, ethnicity, SES)



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Section and Topics Breakdown

Section 1 – Background

- History of the opioid epidemic (national and state) and the relevant legislation*

Section 2 – Methodology

- Scoring Rubric

Section 3 – Opioid Impact

- Overdose Death Impact, SUD Rates, Drug Types – Minority, Youth, and Adult Stratifications*
- Health Equity – Rate of poverty, people with disability, uninsured, primary language, minorities, tribes*
- Data Availability, Consistency, and Robustness
- Suggested Topic Inclusions:
 - Regional Level Data Stratifications
 - Juvenile SUD/OD Rates and Risk Factors



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Section and Topics Breakdown

Section 4 – Polysubstance, Co-Occurring Conditions, Suicide Impact

- Rate of:
 - Polysubstance use and substances most commonly used together*
 - Co-Occurring Behavioral Health and Physical Health Conditions*
 - Suicide with OUD/SUD as a Contributing Factor
- Suggested Topic Inclusions:
 - Mental Health Disease-specific Rates

Section 5 – Risk Factors

- System-Level – Prevention programming, prescribing, access to treatment, Harm reduction, recovery support, education (provider and public)*
- Individual-Level – SDoH, behavioral and mental health issues, chronic pain, criminal justice involvement , Childhood Trauma/ACES*
- Regional disparities and challenges
- Workforce shortages*
- Co-occurring Behavioral Health and Physical Health Conditions
- Suggested Topic Inclusions:
 - Primary Care and Continuity of Care (Low-Cost Care, MAT availability in FQHCs/RHCs)
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Section – 6 Best Practices

- Johns Hopkins Best Practice Recommendations*
 - Optimizing PDMP
 - Standardizing Clinical Guidelines
 - Engagement of Pharmacy Benefit Mangers and Pharmacies
 - Engage Patients and General Public
 - Improving Surveillance Activities
 - Treating OUD
 - Improve Naloxone Access and Use
 - Expand Harm Reduction Strategies
 - Combating Stigma

Section 7 – Recommendations

- Details that will support priorities: prevention of overdoses, addressing disparities in access to health care, and the prevention of substance use among youth based on the gaps identified throughout the report.



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