## OVERDOSE DATA TO ACTION: SURVEILLANCE PROJECTS

Southern Nevada Health District

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### Funding

- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- Southern Nevada Health District awarded \$2.5 million/year for 3 years (Sept 2019 – August 2022)
- Year 1 focused on implementation and capacity building
- Years 2/3 service delivery and data collection/dissemination

## Overall Project Objective

 The Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) aims to <u>assess</u>, <u>reduce</u>, and <u>improve</u> overdose-related outcomes in Clark County by implementing the following:

Innovative data surveillance projects

 Prevention practices and interventions provided either directly or via community agencies

### Key Partners

Nevada Department of Public and Behavioral Health

Trac-B Impact Exchange

Clark County Detention Center

**PACT Coalition** 

Foundation for Recovery

**Bridge Counseling** 

Las Vegas Metropolitan Police Department

Nevada Institute for Children's Research and Policy

Dignity Health – St. Rose Dominican Hospitals

## Five Surveillance Projects

Innovative surveillance of:

- 1. Linkages to care
- 2. Drug use and risk behaviors
- 3. Opioid drug supply
- 4. Overdose morbidity/mortality
- 5. Peer services for pregnant women

# 1. Innovative Surveillance of Linkages to Care

#### Goal

- Track the extent persons are linked to opioid use disorder treatment or substance use risk reduction services among two groups:
  - Participants of SNHD Linkage to Action team
    - Individuals at risk of overdose who have HIV, hepatitis C, or incarcerated at CCDC
  - Participants who use local syringe services program, TracB

#### 1. Innovative Surveillance of Linkages to Care

- Data collected
  - Referrals to services made
    - Type of service (MAT, non-MAT, housing, employment, naloxone, insurance, mental health/counseling, etc.)
    - Referral outcome (successful or not)
  - Demographics of participants

#### 2. Innovative Surveillance of Drug Use/ Behaviors

#### Goal

- Track current drug use
   patterns and overdose
   history among persons
   misusing opioids or other
   injection drugs among
   participants of two groups:
  - SNHD Linkage to Action team
  - Local syringe services program, TracB

#### 2. Innovative Surveillance of Drug Use/Behaviors

- Data collected
  - Types of drugs being injected
  - Previous overdose history
  - Syringe/equipment sharing practices
  - Access and barriers to services

#### 3. Innovative Surveillance of Opioid Drug Supply

#### Goal

- Track changes in the illicit opioid supply by testing drug paraphernalia, such as syringes
- This will be conducted through the local SSP, TracB

#### 3. Innovative Surveillance of Opioid Drug Supply

- Data collected
  - Types of drugs identified
  - Types of products tested
  - Location of product tested (if conducting testing during outreach)

#### Innovative Surveillance of Overdose Morbidity/ Mortality

#### Goal

 Enhance the timeliness and quality of overdose surveillance data by linking local EMS and hospital data

## 4. Innovative Surveillance of Morbidity/Mortality of Overdose

- Data collected
  - Number of overdoses identified
  - Type of drug implicated
  - Timeliness of identification
  - Location of overdose

#### 5. Innovative Surveillance of Peer Services

#### Goal

 Track peer services utilized among pregnant women who use substances and are enrolled in the EMPOWERED program

#### 5. Innovative Surveillance of Peer Services

- Data collected
  - Number participants in Let's Talk peer support program
  - Demographics of participants



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