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Statewide Epidemiological Organization Workgroup Update

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Helping people. It's who we are and what we do.



Statewide Epidemiologic Organization Workgroup (SEOW) Overview

- Background of the SEOW
- Purpose and Function of the SEOW
- Expectation
- Bureau of Behavioral Health Wellness and Prevention, Epidemiologic Profile, 2021



Epidemiological Profile Key Points

- Emergency department encounters for anxiety and depression have continue to increase
- Suicides are highest amongst the 25-34 age group, which is different from past years where the 45-54 age group lead
- E-cigarettes use amongst students has continued to increase where cigarettes use has decrease.
 - Marijuana use has increased in middle school students
- Marijuana use in adults has continued to increase from past years
- Drug Deaths, 51% had Methamphetamine



Epidemiological Profile Key Points

- There 510 drug overdoses deaths (unintentional/undetermined)
 - Mostly white non-Hispanic, males, high school education or less and between 35-64 years old.
 - 33% had documented mental health problem prior to death
- 12.5% of high school students, reported experiences sexual dating violence, almost double the nation 6.9%
- Bullying in schools mostly males, while cyber bullying mostly female





Barriers to the Epi Profile

- Data on sexual orientation and gender identity is limited
 - Not collected in BRSSS 2019 data
- Perception of Harm
- Consequence Data is not readily available
 - DUI and motor vehicle crashes
 - Information on Fentanyl
 - Seizure Data
- Moving forward for Epi Profile
 - Every 2 years (even years)
 - Special reports on odd years

Priority Areas for 2021

- Working on the barriers to data
 - Survey data
 - SOGI data
 - Outcomes
 - FARS
 - Arrest data
 - School data
- Special Report :
 - Youth Profile
 - Suicides and attempts
 - Drug use and outcomes
 - School activity, bullying, suspensions, graduations
 - Criminal activity and motor vehicle incidents
 - Foster care/child family services data





Questions?





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