

OPIOID SAFE PRESCRIBING AND TREATMENT OF OPIOID USE DISORDER



Overdose Detection Mapping Application Program

MMA-CQI is working to promote and increase the use of the Overdose Detection Mapping Application (ODMAP) by providing technical assistance, quality improvement support, and opportunities for learning to law enforcement jurisdictions throughout Maine to help address overdose deaths. The project will help build partnerships for law enforcement with a community provider and will assess community readiness and the status of a response plan to overdose and overdose spikes.

<https://www.odmap.org>

The Overdose Prevention Through Intensive Outreach Naloxone and Safety Initiative

In October 2020, the OPTIONS initiative was launched as a statewide public safety and public health team approach that embeds behavioral health clinicians (OPTIONS liaisons) within law enforcement agencies to improve the health of Mainers using substances through harm reduction strategies, helping them on the road to recovery, and dramatically reducing the number of fatal and non-fatal drug overdoses. <https://knowyouroptions.me/>

MMA-CQI provides technical expertise for the project to assist in guiding implementation and improvements. The technical assistance team works with the liaisons to build capacity, identify barriers and lessons learned, as well as share successes.

Medication for Opioid Use Disorder in the Emergency Department

This project focuses on how to initiate buprenorphine in the emergency departments (EDs) for individuals with substance use disorder (SUD) who are willing to engage in treatment during an ED visit. Virtual training events and one-on-one sessions are offered to provide education and assistance on best practices for initiating buprenorphine in the hospital ED.

Along with the training materials, the project team also developed an *MOUD in the ED Toolkit*. This toolkit was developed by taking best practices/protocols from several leading EDs throughout the state and distilling it down to an easy-to-follow guide for EDs implementing an induction program. The toolkit provides sample workflows, evaluation guidelines, induction process, order sets, discharge language, tips for discussing substance use disorder, and links to additional resources for more information.

[MOUD in the ED Toolkit](#)

[MOUD in the ED Toolkit Companion Guide](#)

[Words Matter: A Substance Use Conversation Guide](#)

Funding for these projects comes from the Maine Department of Health and Human Services.

For more information on these projects, contact Amy Carter at acarter@mainemed.com.



Treatment Recovery Education Advocacy for Teens with SUD in Maine



TREAT ME is a 12-block, year-long learning collaborative to increase knowledge of substance use disorders and comprehensive treatment strategies for treating adolescents and young adults in a primary care setting. The learning collaborative will address use of and addiction to marijuana, alcohol, tobacco, narcotics and more. It will begin in October 2022 and features monthly asynchronous and live webinars, a plethora of resources, two in-person gatherings - June and November 2023, and much more!

This project is organized by the Maine AAP, MMA-CQI, DayOne, and the Opioid Response Network, in collaboration with the Maine Governor's Office of Policy Innovation and the Future, Maine Office of Child and Family Services, and the Maine Department of Health and Human Services.

MMA-Center for Quality Improvement Learning Lab

The [MMA-CQI Learning Lab](#) has been designed to support health care practitioners and professionals, and practice teams with a wide range of continuing education offerings including online courses, webinars, and learning sessions. The courses and programs are designed to be informative, engaging and give Maine physicians the opportunity to participate in on-demand asynchronous education on various topics and to earn CME credits while participating in a community of practice.

Each year the Maine Board of Licensure in Medicine identifies educational topics of interest for Maine physicians, and MMA-CQI develops the curriculum, engages with subject matter experts, and produces the courses. All the BOLIM courses offer CME, and many meet the CME credit requirement for opioid medication education found in P.L. 2015, Chapter 488, Maine's legislation to address the opioid drug crisis.

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Connecticut Overdose Data to Action

The Milford Health Department has partnered with MMA-CQI in the Overdose Data to Action (OD2A) in Connecticut Communities. The project established the Milford Community Opioid Overdose Response (COOR) Collaborative, a multi-stakeholder group that brings all voices to the table to align and de-duplicate community efforts for the prevention and treatment of opioid use disorder (OUD) and substance use disorder (SUD).

By leveraging data from various sources, such as the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner and the CT Department of Public Health (DPH), the COOR will assist in the development of a data to action roadmap that focuses on whole person care for someone suffering with OUD and/or SUD and will develop a sustainable model of collaboration to leverage these and other data for a more unified response to OUD and SUD that best serves the citizens of Milford.

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