

Community Checklist

Use this checklist to develop or update your own community overdose prevention plan.

Planning Steps	Notes
Assess <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Who is dying from overdose? Who is being hospitalized? Are there groups who need special attention? What other information do we need? What can people with lived experience tell us? 	
Capacity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Who are our partners? What programs are already working on this issue? Who else should be involved? Who else do we need to hear from? How can we structure community involvement? 	
Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What strategies fit best with our community to reduce overdose deaths? Do we have strategies across the continuum? 	
Implement <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How will the plan be put into action? Who will be responsible for different pieces? 	
Evaluate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> What metrics will we measure? Short, medium, and long-term outcomes? What does success look like? How will we know if we're going in the right direction? 	
Cultural Competence <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How can we ensure that diverse voices are heard? How do we engage and support partners with lived experience of overdose or substance use disorder? 	
Sustain <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How will we ensure that strategies continue and that we achieve long-term results? How can we continue to engage partners? 	
Communicate <ul style="list-style-type: none"> How will we communicate and engage partners and stakeholders? How will we communicate to the public and people with lived experience? 	

Adapted from [SAMHSA's Strategic Prevention Framework](#)