



Methamphetamine in Washington: Informing Policy and Research

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The scope and impact of methamphetamine use are growing across WA State.

- The reasons are complex, our responses will therefore need to be comprehensive.

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There is growing body of research on effective interventions, yet gaps still exist.

While there is no single “gold standard” treatment for methamphetamine use, many interventions do work for many people.

Listen out for:

- What you can use now
- What you can use down the line
- Opportunities/ideas for novel implementation
- Gaps you want to help address

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- Providers of primary care, behavioral health, harm reduction and social services play important roles in collaborative solutions
 - Law enforcement and criminal justice system partners are also significantly impacted by those with methamphetamine use disorder
 - How can they partner with other providers and modify their policies and practices to reduce harms and improve peoples' lives?



Now is a critical time to set policy and research agendas to identify and address gaps in services and interventions.

- How can we leverage the programs and relationships already in place that are addressing opioids, homelessness, behavioral health, criminal justice reform?

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