

**WASHINGTON COUNTY, MARYLAND
STRATEGIC PLAN FOR ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE
FISCAL YEARS 2016 - 2018**

Vision:

To eliminate substance use and mental health disorders related problems in the community by establishing recovery-oriented systems of care in partnership with other community agencies.

Mission:

To develop a recovery-oriented system of care for all persons affected by substance use and mental health disorders regardless of age, ethnic background, and/or financial status.

Priorities:

There are five (5) identified goals to address, listed below in order of priority:

- 1.) Decrease the number of overdose deaths in Washington County
- 2.) Increase the number of drug-free individuals in Washington County
- 3.) Improve upon the quality of services available to Washington County individuals with co-occurring substance abuse and mental health disorders.
- 4.) Reduce alcohol and other substance use, abuse, and dependency by adult offenders
- 5.) Establish and maintain a county-wide structure that shares resources and accountability in the coordination of and access to a comprehensive, recovery-oriented system of care

Goal #1: Decrease the number of overdose deaths in Washington County

Objective #1: Increase partnering agency attendance of monthly Washington County Overdose Fatality Review Team (OFRT) meetings

Performance Target: Increase OFRT membership by adding 3-4 partnering agencies

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #2: Increase partnering agency attendance of monthly Washington County Project Act Now Overdose Prevention (OP) meetings.

Performance Target: Increase OP membership by adding 3-4 partnering agencies

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #3: Plan, create and implement clinical educational outreach efforts to specific targeted clinical populations (pharmacists, doctors/PA's/RNs, pain management specialist, dentists, etc.)

Performance Target: Provide at least 2 clinical educational events for targeted clinical populations within Washington County.

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #4: Educate the Washington County clinical community on the use of State of Maryland's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP).

Performance Target: Increase the number of Washington County physicians enrolled in PDMP by 10%.

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #5: Educate and certify appropriate individuals for Naloxone administration.

Performance Target: Increase the number of individuals trained for Naloxone administration by 10%

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #6: Reach out to individuals who have experienced a non-fatal opioid overdose

Performance Target: Partner with all Washington County Urgent Care Units and Emergency Departments to prescribe Naloxone and refer non-fatal overdose patients to WCHD Behavioral Health Services upon discharge

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #7: Raise public awareness of Washington County overdose prevention efforts and services

Performance Target: Increase the number of community survey participants who report knowledge of local prevention efforts and services by 10%

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Goal #2: Increase the number of drug-free individuals in Washington County

Objective #1: Reduce underage drinking in Washington County.

Performance Target: Increase the number of local establishments who have 100% compliance rates by 5%.

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #2: Reduce adolescent substance use and abuse in Washington County.

Performance Target: Assess 100% of high-risk youth referred to WCHD BHS by the Washington County Public School SAP program

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Goal #3: Improve upon the quality of treatment services available to Washington County individuals with co-occurring substance abuse and mental health disorders.

Objective #1: Train Washington County co-occurring disorder treatment providers on evidence-based practices.

Performance Target: Conduct at least 2 trainings for Washington County co-occurring disorder treatment service providers.

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #1: Integrate and coordinate existing services and resources to better serve individuals with co-occurring disorders.

Performance Target: Increase attendance of monthly Washington County Co-occurring Disorders meetings by adding 3-4 partnering agencies

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Goal #4: Reduce alcohol and other substance use, abuse, and dependency by adult offenders.

Objective #1: Establish an Adult Drug Court in partnership with an Adult Day Reporting Center in Washington County.

Performance Target: Obtain funding for Washington County Adult Day Reporting Center

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Goal #5: Establish and maintain a county-wide structure that shares resources and accountability in the coordination of and access to comprehensive, recovery-oriented system of care

Objective #1: Involve all relevant agencies and service providers to develop a recovery-oriented system of care

Performance Target: Recruit 2-3 additional community stakeholder representatives to join ROSC committee

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)

Objective #2: Improve coordination and collaboration among departments, agencies, families and those in need of services that will improve access to care for individuals with substance use conditions.

Performance Target: Meet 4-5 times per month with agency ROSC-related staff

Progress: (To be reported on at 6-month intervals)