

NCDHHS Opioid and Prescription Drug Abuse Advisory Committee

Date: December 5, 2024

Time: 9:30AM – 12:00PM

Location: Hybrid; in-person at the McKimmon Center and virtual via Zoom

Topic: Syringe Service Programs (SSPs) in North Carolina

Meeting Objectives:

1. Develop an understanding of the history of harm reduction and the safer syringe initiative in North Carolina.
2. Discuss the role of SSP's in overdose and infectious disease prevention.
3. Learn more about the different models of SSPs in North Carolina and the wrap around services that they are providing.

AGENDA

TIME SLOT	ITEM
9:30AM – 9:45AM	<p>Welcome and Introductions!</p> <p>Overview of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services (NCDHHS) Support for Syringe Service Programs (SSPs)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ellen Stroud, Division of Mental Health, Developmental Disabilities, Substance Use Services
9:45AM – 10:05AM	<p>History and Evolution of NC Safer Syringe Initiative and Harm Reduction In NC</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Margaret Bordeaux, Duke University
10:05AM – 10:25AM	<p>Current Trends In North Carolina: Fact vs. Fiction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mary Beth Cox, Division of Public Health • Sally Reeske, Division of Public Health
10:25AM – 10:45AM	<p>More Than Overdose Prevention: Trends in Infectious Disease</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Erika Samoff, Division of Public Health • Pete Moore, Division of Public Health
10:45AM – 11:55AM	<p>Panel: Programs Across the State</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lauren Kestner, Queen City Harm Reduction (QCHR) • Michelle Mathis, Olive Branch Ministries (OBM) • Ainsley Bryce, Holler Harm Reduction • Charlton Roberson, North Carolinas Harm Reduction Coalition (NCHRC) • Kristin Klinglesmith, Cabarrus Health Alliance
11:55AM – 12:00PM	<p>Closing Remarks</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sally Reeske, Division of Public Health
<p>Next NCDHHS OPDAAC Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • March 18-20, 2025: NC Summit on Reducing Overdose at the Raleigh Convention Center • June 2025, date TBD 	