

# 2017 State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis Grants - NJ



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# NJ State Targeted Opioid Response Initiative (STORI)

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The goals and objectives of New Jersey's project, called the State Targeted Opioid Response Initiative (STORI) are to:

- address the opioid crisis confronting the state using a variety of strategies.
- increase access to treatment, reduce unmet treatment need and reduce opioid related deaths.

# STORI

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- **\$13M award**
- **Services focus on the following areas**
  - Expansion of treatment, support services and medication assisted treatment
  - Robust peer-delivered recovery support services
  - Primary and secondary prevention
  - Training

# NJ Opioid STR Budget

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## **ADMINISTRATION/INFRASTRUCTURE**

**Total Admin/Infrastructure** **\$524,021**

## **TREATMENT/RECOVERY**

**OORP Expansion** **\$3,546,600**

**FFS Treatment Services Network** **\$3,840,000**

**Recovery Supports** **\$4,075,000**

**Family Supports** **\$240,000**

**Provider Training** **\$260,000**

**SUBTOTAL** **\$11,961,600**

## **PREVENTION**

**Primary Prevention** **\$285,000**

**Secondary Prevention** **\$225,000**

**SUBTOTAL** **\$510,000**

**TOTAL** **\$12,995,621**

# Treatment/Recovery Support

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- Peer services are based on SAMHSA's Recovery Services Community Support Program.
- Four types of social support have been identified in the literature (Cobb, 1976; Salzer, 2002): emotional, informational, instrumental, and affiliational support.
- In keeping with this support schema, the following peer services include:
  - ❖ Peer mentoring or coaching
  - ❖ Resource brokering
  - ❖ Recovery consultation
  - ❖ Facilitating and leading recovery groups

# Treatment/Recovery Support

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## **State Targeted Opioid Response Initiative (STORI) FFS**

- A new fee-for-service (FFS) treatment initiative, called the STORI, will be developed that will include a wide range of levels of care and use of evidenced-based practices, particularly MAT. STORI FFS services will include:
  - ❖ Assessment, detox, short-term residential, outpatient/intensive outpatient, and methadone outpatient/intensive outpatient.
  - ❖ Case management.
  - ❖ Medication enhancements (Buprenorphine and Vivitrol).
  - ❖ Smoking cessation services & nicotine replacement therapy.
  - ❖ Peer services.

# Treatment/Recovery Support

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## **Opioid Overdose Recovery Program (OORP)**

- The OORP, which is currently operating in 11 counties, will be expanded to the remaining 10 counties through STORI.
- OORP utilizes Recovery Specialists and Patient Navigators to engage individuals who were reversed from an opioid overdose and provide non-clinical assistance, recovery supports and referrals for assessment and OUD treatment.
- Funding will be available to serve additional clients, create support groups for the overdose survivors and extend the follow-up to 6 months.

# Treatment/Recovery Support

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## **Support Team for Addiction Recovery (STAR)**

- STARs will be developed in high risk counties.
- Case managers and recovery specialists are the key staff.
- Services will be provided according to a recovery-based philosophy of care and support individuals' continuing stability, recovery and wellness.
- Key goals are relapse prevention and prevention of another overdose
- STAR will assist individuals with issues such as homelessness, incarceration, legal, employment, transportation, linkage to social services, pregnancy, child welfare involvement, child care, health insurance, etc.
- Address the special health needs of individuals, such as HIV or AIDS, Hepatitis, and chronic and acute health conditions.

# Treatment/Recovery Support

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## **Telephone Recovery Support (TRS)**

- The program will be modeled after the system that has been developed in Connecticut which is a peer to peer, recovery support service.
- TRS provides weekly phone calls to people in recovery from alcohol and/or drug addiction.
- Trained TRS volunteers call to “check in” and ask how people are doing managing their recovery.
- TRS helps reduce relapse and enhances the recovery experience.

# Treatment/Recovery Support

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## **Family Support Center (FSC)**

- Family support will be provided through the development of three regional Family Support Centers (FSCs).
- Staff will be trained in the Community Reinforcement Approach and Family Training (CRAFT) model. CRAFT teaches families self-protection along with non-confrontational skills to help empower their loved one to seek recovery.
- The FSC will also offer families support, education, resources and advocacy in an environment that is safe and non-stigmatizing.

# Prevention/Training

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## Primary Prevention

- Prevention efforts will focus on community education programs for older adults with the goal to reduce demand for and misuse of opiate prescriptions.
- SAMHSA identifies older adults as being disproportionately affected by prescription drug misuse and abuse.

## Secondary Prevention

- Training on naloxone will be provided to schools, jails and prisons.
- Naloxone kits will be distributed.

# Prevention/Training

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## Training

- Training for primary health and behavioral health care practitioners on: best practices for the prescribing of opiates; non-opioid management of pain; recognizing addiction in the primary care and pain management patient; and expanded use of MAT.
- Peer training for volunteers in the Law Enforcement Addiction Assisted Recovery and Referral Program (LEARP).
- Training for the additional Opioid Overdose Recovery Programs (OORP).

# Prevention/Training

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## **Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (ECHO)**

- Project ECHO is a collaborative model of medical education and care management that empowers clinicians to provide better care to more people.
- Two ECHO projects will be implemented for pain management and recognition of SUD in collaboration with Rutgers University and RWJ Partners.
- The ECHO model™ increases access to specialty treatment by providing front-line clinicians with the knowledge and support they need to manage patients with complex conditions such as: hepatitis C, HIV, chronic pain, behavioral health disorders, and others.
- It does this by engaging clinicians in a continuous learning system and partnering them with specialist mentors at an academic medical center or hub.

# Outcomes

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- Anticipated outcomes of the STORI include: Reduction/abstinence from drugs and alcohol, increase in employment, reduced criminal justice involvement, increase in stable housing, increased social connectedness, and increased percentage of individuals completing treatment at the recommended level of care.
- Additional outcomes include: reducing opioid overdoses, increasing retention in treatment, reducing the length of time to relapse and prolonging recovery, and increasing number of individuals receiving MAT.
- It is estimated that STORI will serve 8,671 individuals annually and 17,342 individuals over the two-year project.

# Work to Date

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- RFPs and RLIs are currently being developed
- The new FFS STORI network is being developed for a September 2017 rollout. Some of the treatment services will be available in July 2017.
- MOAs with University partners are being developed.

# Questions

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