

The Opioid Public Health Crisis



Course Overview

The Opioid Public Health Crisis began in 1999 and continues more than two decades later. The American toll from the health crisis is large. Between 1999 and 2022, drug overdoses have killed nearly 1.2 million Americans. That number exceeds the number of U.S. service members who have died in battle in all wars fought by the United States.

The Opioid Public Health Crisis (OPHC) course will provide you with foundational knowledge on this nationwide health crisis, the historical trends and current conditions and the solutions and actions to take to mitigate and reduce the health crisis effects.

What People Are Saying

"As a public health educator, this course gave me a fantastic overall view of addiction, the opioid crisis (both historically and currently), and how to help."

- Discuss the opioid public health crisis - historical, current conditions and trends.
- Explain how the health crisis developed, the contributors and risk factors.
- Identify the multi-faceted solutions model that states, and communities are applying to reduce the effects of the health crisis and the actions an individual / professional can take to improve the outcomes.

"This helped me understand what I can personally do to help my family and others and that the solutions work when all are used, and everyone works together."

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Online Course Meets DEA Provider MATE Act Training Content Requirements

Course Outline

- I. Drug Classifications
- II. Brief Review of Addiction / Substance Use Disorder
- III. Opioid Overview
 - A. The Opioid Family of Drugs
 - B. Opioid Misuse and Addiction
- IV. The Overdose Epidemic
 - A. Data, Trends and Impact
- V. Contributors and Risk Factors
 - A. Prescribing Factors
 - B. Misrepresentation of Opioid's Addiction Risks
 - C. Paths to Prescription Pain Medicine Addiction
 - D. Paths to Heroin Use
 - E. Further Reading
 - F. Young Adults / Youth Risk Factors
 - G. Signs of Heroin or Prescription Opioid Misuse
- VI. Solutions
 - A. Education and Prevention
 - B. Safe Prescribing Guidelined
 - C. Manage Prescriptions
 - D. Data and Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)
 - E. Screening and Early Intervention
 - F. Reduce the Stigma Associated with Addiction
 - G. Harm Reduction
 - H. Treatment and Recovery
- VII. Recognizing and Preventing an Opioid Overdose
 - A. Who is at Risk of an Overdose
 - B. Factors that Increase Heroin Overdose
 - C. What Does an Opioid Overdose Look Like
 - D. What is Naloxone
 - E. How Opioids Affect the Central Nervous System
 - F. How Naloxone Stops and Overdose
 - G. Naloxone Access and Laws
 - H. Naloxone Delivery Devices
 - I. General Naloxone Information
- VIII. End Notes and Resources

Course Reviewers

The course material has been reviewed by subject matter expert: Brad Ray, Ph.D. Assistant Professor, School of Public and Environmental Affairs, Indiana University-Purdue University, Indianapolis, Indiana.

CE Credit and Certificate Program

In partnership with Purdue University College of Pharmacy, Office of Continuing Education, Overdose Lifeline has developed layperson and clinician CE courses and 20 credit professional certificate program on Addiction / Substance Use Disorder with an Opioid Specialization.

The course meets the following CE accreditations: Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), and Other, AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™] (ACCME) which will service all other clinical and layperson credits.

Law Enforcement: As an approved Law Enforcement Training Board training provider (#47-1333720), Overdose Lifeline online training courses meet annual in-service training requirements for Indiana Law Enforcement officers and support personnel.

Online CE Course

3.0 CE credits, \$45/person

Online, self-paced continuing education. This course meets the MATE Act training content requirements, delivering 3 of the 8 credit hours required.

Onsite and Virtual Training

Onsite and virtual training available for groups of five or more. Contact us for more information and a custom quote.

Trainer Program

Get certified to deliver the course within your community.

Program materials are provided for onsite and virtual / webinar settings. Includes: Presentation PowerPoint with trainer notes and complete script. Multiple versions for different training lengths and customizable. Attendee pre-post survey, handouts, breakout activities, poll questions, certificate of attendance, customizable flyers, and more.

Training Fee: \$225/person

One prerequisite course, program training, and trainer's kit

Individual License Fee: \$200/person

Access for one trainer. Annual renewal.

Group Program License Fee: \$400/per group

Access for two or more trainers within an organization. Annual renewal.

Examples:

\$425 for one trainer (\$225 + \$200)

\$1,075 for three trainers (\$225 X 3 + \$400)

