

Chicago Department of PUBLIC HEALTH



BUREAU OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH Office of Substance Use and Recovery Services

OUR MISSION

The Office of Substance Use and Recovery Services invests in harm reduction, linkage to care, treatment and recovery services, systems coordination, and data monitoring to support people in Chicago with a substance use disorder and their communities.

FEATURED PROGRAMS

Every community area in the city is impacted by opioid overdose, but the **West Side of Chicago is most disproportionately impacted: East and West Garfield Parks, Humboldt Park, Austin, and North Lawndale account for 35% of all opioid overdoses in the City.** The majority of opioid-related overdose deaths in Chicago involve fentanyl, a highly potent opioid.

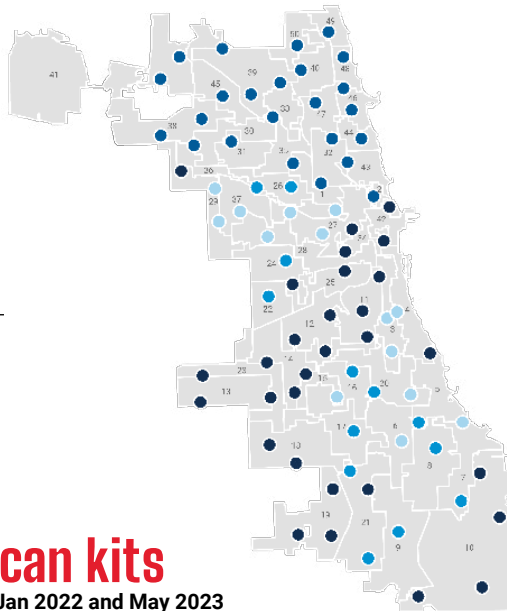
NARCAN at Chicago Public Libraries

The Chicago Department of Public Health and Chicago Public Library partner to make Narcan freely available in every public library in Chicago.

Narcan at CPL Rollout Timeline

- January 2022
- April 2022
- August 2022
- September 2022

Wards



6,900 Narcan kits

distributed between Jan 2022 and May 2023

Narcotics Arrest Diversion Program

CDPH works with the Chicago Police Department, a community treatment provider, and the University of Chicago's Crime Lab to operate the Narcotics Arrest Diversion Program. This program offers treatment rather than criminal charges for people in Chicago arrested for possession of illegal substances.

Over 1,300 people

diverted into treatment since the program began in 2018

Those diverted are

72%

less likely to be re-arrested

Overdose is Preventable

MAR NOW

Together with the Illinois Dept of Human Services Division of Substance Use Prevention and Recovery, CDPH provides an innovative treatment hotline called Medication Assisted Recovery Now (MAR NOW) that connects callers looking for opioid use disorder treatment directly to a provider for immediate care.

Over 300 callers

connected to same or next-day medications to treat opioid use disorder since program launch in May 2022

CALL 833-234-6343, 24/7 to be connected to immediate treatment. This includes being able to start on the medication buprenorphine at home that same day - a safe and effective treatment for opioid use disorder that does not require daily clinic appointments



RESOURCES

Find Narcan: bit.ly/FindNarcan

Information, resources, and reports: overcomeopioids.com

MAR NOW: <https://e.helpineil.org/mar-now/>

Mental Health resources: mentalhealth.chicago.gov

To request fentanyl test strips & Narcan, email osu.cdph@cityofchicago.org

Visit 211metrochicago.org



THE BUREAU OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH includes the Offices of Mental Health, Substance Use and Recovery Services, and Violence Prevention

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