Office of National Drug Control Policy: Strategy to Prevent/Reduce Prescription Drug Abuse
(Epidemic: Responding to America’s Prescription Drug Abuse Crisis, ONDCP, 2011)

- **Education** Parents, youth, patients and prescribers
- **Monitoring** Implement Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMP) to reduce diversion, enhance ability to share health data, and encourage use by health professionals
- **Proper disposal** DEA proposed rules
- **Enforcement** Eliminate improper prescribing practices and stop pill mills

National Governors Association: Strategies for Reducing Prescription Drug Abuse

- Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs
- Enhancing Enforcement Efforts
- Ensuring Proper Disposal of Prescription Drugs
- Leveraging State Role as Regulator and Purchaser of Services
- Building Partnerships Among Key Stakeholders
- Promoting Public Education about Prescription Drug Abuse

SAMHSA: Prescriber and Patient Education

- Free online CME courses on “Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain.” SAMHSA in partnership with Boston University, School of Medicine
  [www.opioidprescribing.com](http://www.opioidprescribing.com)
- **Prescriber’s Clinical Support System for the appropriate use of Opioids for the treatment of chronic pain and opioid related addiction (PCSS-O):** free physician mentoring from experts on clinical topics such as prescribing opioids for chronic pain and office-based treatment of opioid-dependent patients
  [www.pcss-o.org](http://www.pcss-o.org)
- **Provider’s Clinical Support System for Medication Assisted Treatment (PCSS-MAT):** a national training and mentoring project developed in response to the prescription opioid misuse epidemic
  [www.pcssmat.org](http://www.pcssmat.org)
- SAMHSA (2013) is developing a new Opioid Brief Guide for primary care physicians on how to use FDA-approved medications to treat opioid addiction in the medical office.
- SAMHSA has published information for patients and the public on prescription drug abuse and its treatment
  [www.samhsa.gov](http://www.samhsa.gov)

SAMHSA: Publications

- “Prevention Resources on the Nonmedical Use of Prescription Drugs”
- “Managing Chronic Pain in Adults with or in Recovery from Substance Use Disorders”
SAMHSA has Treatment Locators, Physician Locators, and Treatment Improvement Protocols (TIPs) on treatment with methadone, buprenorphine and other drugs, as well as on treating chronic pain in persons with substance use disorders. [www.samhsa.gov/treatment/index](http://www.samhsa.gov/treatment/index)  [www.store.samhsa.gov](http://www.store.samhsa.gov)

**SAMHSA: Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs**

  - 9 states funded (e.g. WI STATE DEPT OF SAFETY & PROF SERVICES)
  - Improve real-time provider access to PDMP data by integrating PDMPs with existing EHR technologies (hospital ERs, outpatient facilities, retail pharmacies, etc.)
- Office of National Drug Control Policy (ONDCP) and Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA) offer assistance for state-state/tribal PDMP linkages/interoperability.

**SAMHSA: Prevention and Early Intervention**

- National Prescription Drug Take-Back Day: Bi-annual, national event to promote safe disposal of leftover medicines that are ripe for diversion, misuse, and abuse. [www.justice.gov/dea/](http://www.justice.gov/dea/)
- Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment (SBIRT), an evidence-based practice that involves screening individuals in primary care settings (e.g., hospitals & community health clinics) for risk of substance abuse, providing brief intervention, and, when necessary, referral to substance use treatment. [www.integration.samhsa.gov/clinical-practice/sbirt](http://www.integration.samhsa.gov/clinical-practice/sbirt)  [www.samhsa.gov/prevention/sbirt](http://www.samhsa.gov/prevention/sbirt)
- Ohio State University, College of Pharmacy toolkit to teach college and high school students about prescription drug use. [www.pharmacy.ohio-state.edu/outreach/generation-rx/resources/BulletinBoardPanels.pdf](http://www.pharmacy.ohio-state.edu/outreach/generation-rx/resources/BulletinBoardPanels.pdf)
- National Council on Patient Information and Education (NCPIE), “Maximizing Your Role as a Teen Influencer,” toolkit to keep teens safe from prescription drugs: [www.talkaboutrx.org/maximizing_role.jsp](http://www.talkaboutrx.org/maximizing_role.jsp)

**SAMHSA: Technical Assistance Centers**

- Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies Support (CAPT)  [www.captus.samhsa.gov](http://www.captus.samhsa.gov)
  - **Purpose:** Comprehensive training and technical assistance on Substance Use Prevention (including prescription drug abuse), Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF), Substance Use Epidemiology, website for CSAP grantees with resources and tools; on-line course, webinars, etc.
  - **Central Region CAPT Office (IL, IN, MI, OH, WI):** Chuck Klevgaard  cklevgarrd@edc.org
- Addiction Technology Transfer Center (ATTC)  [www.attcnetwork.org](http://www.attcnetwork.org)
  - **Purpose:** Develop and strengthen the health care workforce that provides substance use treatment and recovery support services. Comprehensive training, technical assistance, resources, tools, webinars, etc.
  - **Great Lakes ATTC: Lonnetta Albright**  greatlakes@ATTNetwork.org
  - **National Frontier and Rural ATTC:**  nfar@nttcnetwork.org
  - **National SBIRT ATTC:**  sbirt@attcnetwork.org
  - **National American Indian/Alaska Native ATTC:**  americanindianalaskanative@attcnetwork.org
  - **National Hispanic and Latino Network ATTC:**  Hispanic@attcnetwork.org
- Center for Integrated Health Solutions (CIHS)  [www.Integration.samhsa.gov](http://www.Integration.samhsa.gov)
  - **Purpose:** Provides resources and technical assistance pertaining to the integration of behavioral health and primary care
- Tribal Technical Assistance Center (TTAC)  [http://beta.samhsa.gov/tribal-ttac](http://beta.samhsa.gov/tribal-ttac)
  - **Purpose:** Provides culturally appropriate and sensitive Tribal Technical Assistance to Native communities across the country who seek to address mental and substance use disorders and suicide

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