

Mission: To protect, promote, and improve the physical and behavioral health of the people of Nevada

ABOUT STATE PUBLIC HEALTH

State health agencies are working across the country to actively protect the public's health, prevent avoidable diseases and conditions, and promote healthy communities.

Nevada's suicide rate has not increased in recent years, in contrast to other western states and the nation as a whole. From 2006-2016, 73,441 Nevadans had suicide awareness or intervention skills trainings.

Nevada's most successful initiatives include Signs of Suicide statewide middle and high school curriculum and screening programs, text messaging crisis interventions, safeTALK, and Applied Suicide Intervention Skills Trainings.



STATE PUBLIC HEALTH SPOTLIGHT



Nevada's Heart Disease and Stroke Prevention Program was awarded the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) 1817 Innovative Strategies 5-year competitive grant to Prevent and Manage Heart Disease and Stroke. Through this award, Nevada will design, test, and evaluate innovative approaches to reduce the burden of cardiovascular disease (CVD) in underserved, high-burden populations living with or at risk for CVD. Novel strategies to be assessed include using healthcare technology (e.g. Electronic Health Records, telehealth, text messaging systems, etc.), unique community interventions (e.g. Beauty Salon Hypertension Outreach Intervention), and community health workers for screening, education, and referral services.

Full Grant Name: Innovative State and Local Public Health Strategies to Prevent and Manage Diabetes and Heart Disease and Stroke

IMPACT OF POTENTIAL CUTS TO FEDERAL FUNDING



Increased rates of infectious disease due to limited capacity to protect people from infection and respond to communicable disease outbreaks



Reduced hours, location closures, and potential elimination of key public health preventive services such as childhood immunizations, health screenings, influenza vaccination, leading to increases in preventable diseases



Delay disease outbreak response and investigation activities resulting in increased illness and death



Reduced capacity to respond to public health emergencies putting more people at risk of harm due to natural disasters and health threats due to terrorism



Less funding to provide local health departments to implement programs, potentially increasing the disease burden on the state's most vulnerable.

Source: Nevada Division of Public and Behavioral Health

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CDC 2018 OPIOID OVERDOSE CRISIS FUNDING

Year 1 (FY18) \$4,096,334.73

This funding will support Nevada in working to prevent opioid-related overdoses, deaths, and other outcomes. It will advance the understanding of the epidemic and scale-up prevention and response activities, including improving the timeliness of data. Specifically:

- Support the mobile outreach using a community health worker model for opioid prevention/intervention.
- Support training and response efforts of state and local law enforcement. (i.e. training on Crisis Intervention and Naloxone Administration)
- Provide integration of the Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) and HealthIE Nevada Integration
- Opioid Summit
- The Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies (CASAT) will develop enhanced modules for Community Health Workers or peer specialists to become Medication Assisted Therapy (MAT) Recovery Coaches. They will also develop and oversee a scholarship program for CHW/peer specialists.
- Trac-B Exchange will coordinate a shipping program, travel to rural and underserved communities to support referral to treatment, develop advertising, pack and ship 4,000 harm reduction kits to clients in rural areas, and process returned 2,000 packages of used supplies.
- The Nevada Broadcasters Association will develop two more documentaries related to the opioid crisis in Nevada, one will focus on chronic pain patients and alternative treatments for pain outside of opioids, the other will focus on opioid use during pregnancy and MAT services.



UNITED HEALTH FOUNDATION RANK



Strengths:

- Low percentage of obesity
- Low infant mortality rate
- Low incidence of pertussis

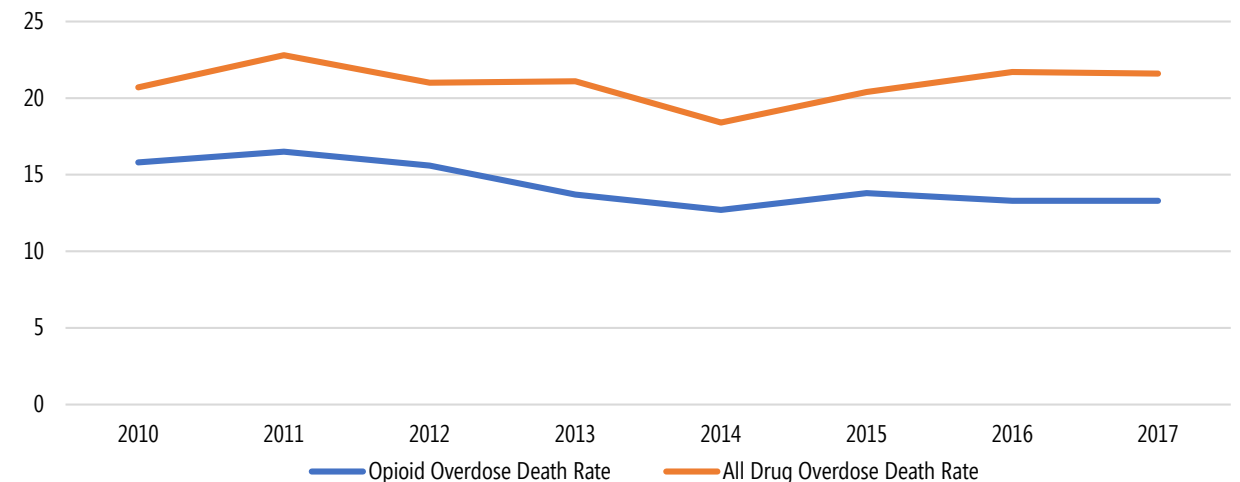
Areas for Improvement:

- Low percentage of high school graduation
- Low rate of primary care physicians
- Low per capita health funding

Source: America's Health Rankings, 2018 Annual Report

OPIOID STATISTICS

NV: Overdose Death Rates per 100,000 Population (Age-Adjusted)



Source: Kaiser Family Foundation's State Health Facts