

PLYMOUTH COUNTY OUTREACH

The latest news and updates on overdose related incidents in Plymouth County, MA and how law enforcement and public health officials are tackling this opioid epidemic in real-time.

OVERDOSE STATISTICS 4/1/19 - 4/30/19:



125 incidents



44 successful home visits*

The outreach team made contact with a SUD, family/friend or both.



82% non-fatal

7% fatal

11% at-risk*

*A loved one reported this individual due to concern of potential overdose.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Recovery Coach Academy Part Two



June 10th-13th PCO will be hosting a 4-day streamlined training in Plymouth to provide 30 hours of required training towards the Addiction Recovery Coach Certification (CARC). Sessions include: 14 hours of required training on Addiction 101, Mental Health, Motivational Interviewing, & Cultural Competency, and 16 hours of training on Ethical Responsibility. To sign up, you must have already completed the Recovery Coach Academy. Please register here: https://pcorecoverycoachacademypart2.eventbrite.com

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE:

The Massachusetts Department of Public Health issued its quarterly report on opioid-related overdose deaths among Massachusetts residents. The report states that overdose deaths in Massachusetts are continuing to decline, falling an estimated four percent between 2016 and 2018. The statistics in Plymouth County show even better results.



"While the report shows a decline in the opioid-related overdose death rate statewide, there were also particularly notable declines in some pockets of the state. One such place was in Plymouth County, including the city of Brockton, which experienced a notable decrease in deaths in 2018 compared with 2017," the report states.

PCO SPOTLIGHT:



P.A.A.R.I. Receives \$930,000 Grant from South Shore Health

The grant will support a new partnership between P.A.A.R.I. and PCO. Over the next five years, P.A.A.R.I. will work with PCO to implement a "hub model" throughout the county to expand the behavioral health services available to the community, and coordinate outreach visits for individuals identified as being at acutely elevated risk due to substance use and/or mental health issues.