



# 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 1/1/20 - 1/31/20



136 incidents



46 successful home visits\*

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



83% non-fatal

7% fatal

10% at-risk\*

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

## UPCOMING EVENTS:



On Thursday, February 13th, at 6:30pm, Marshfield Kiwanis will be hosting a showing of the film "If Only" at Marshfield High School. The short film raises awareness about the dangers of prescription drug use and encourages conversation around substance use disorder prevention and recovery. Peer Grief Support Specialist Mary Peckham will be speaking after the showing of the film.

## PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE:



Police and treatment experts have reported seeing fentanyl mixed with cocaine, pills and other substances on the street. An article was recently published about the prevalence of polysubstance use and the dangers of mixing substances. Over the past year, police departments have reported seeing fentanyl being mixed with cocaine. Less than a year later, they reported hearing of fentanyl being mixed with amphetamines. "The mixing use has been an evolving presence," Chief Scott Allen stated. To learn more about polysubstance use, access the article here: <https://www.enterpriseneews.com/news/20200131/deadly-combination--alarm-sounded-over-mixing-of-fentanyl-with-less-lethal-drugs>

Corpuz, M. (2020, January 31). A deadly combination -- Alarm sounded over mixing of fentanyl with less lethal drugs. Retrieved February 11, 2020

## DON'T MISS OUT...



There is still time to join South Shore Peer Recovery's **SOBER PARENTING JOURNEY!** This 14-week group for parents and caregivers in early recovery will be facilitated by Linda Nathan. Participants will work in a supportive setting to uncover inner strengths and work towards a personal transformation in recovery by developing resources and hope. Each two hour session will begin with a family meal. Free childcare is provided! The program will start on Tuesday, February 25th, 2020 and will run from 5:00PM - 7:00PM. Pre-registration and an interview is required! Register here: <https://tinyurl.com/y58l4npf>

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