

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 3/1/20 - 3/31/20



114 incidents



36 successful home visits*
*The outreach team made contact with a SUD, family/friend or both.



78% non-fatal

10% fatal

12% at-risk*
*A loved one reported this individual due to concern of potential overdose.

UPCOMING EVENTS:



Due to the COVID-19 crisis, the National Drug Take Back day event scheduled for Saturday, April 25th, has been postponed. We look forward to hosting the event in collaboration with the Plymouth Youth Development Collaborative sometime this summer. Once social distancing is no longer necessary, the community will be able to utilize the drug take back boxes located 24/7 in their local Plymouth County Police Departments.

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE



We understand that social isolation can be extremely difficult for individuals in recovery. Please be aware that your tolerance is significantly lowered with any period of sobriety, which can put you at a very high risk of an overdose if you decide to use again. We are re-running our #reducetheharm campaign on social media to help reduce the risk in our communities. Utilizing these practices helps to make substance use safer and less harmful to the person using and the community around them. Please reach out to us if you are in need of Narcan and/or fentanyl test strips.

PCO UPDATE:



We are doing everything we can to continue providing the community with support. If you feel vulnerable, please reach out to us. We have recovery coaches on-call 7 days a week who are able to offer fully confidential support. Reach out through any of our social media accounts, the connect page on our website or call and leave a voicemail on the PCO line, (508) 830-4218 X261.