



Drug Free-New Jersey Forum

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**In only one year,
heroin deaths of 18-25 year olds
in New Jersey rose 24%**

**They didn't all start at 18...
Are you talking to your kids yet?**

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Strategic Plan

- Education/Prevention
- Enforcement
- Narcan (Naloxone) Program
- Treatment/Breaking Cycle of Addiction



Education/Prevention

- Back to School Nights
 - Assistant Prosecutors attended every Middle and High School back to school night - 5 minute presentation connecting with school community
 - AP Rory Wells attending in-school forums/PTOs
- Prosecutor's Forums
 - October 24, 2013-Pine Belt Arena, Toms River
 - 2,000 attendees
 - December 12, 2013-Stafford Township Arts Center
 - 750 attendees
 - May 27, 2014-Pine Belt Arena, Toms River
 - 4,000 attendees
 - January 15, 2015-Playing it Clean Forum
 - 1,300 athletes from across the County
- Right Turns Videos
 - Paid for by drug dealers through forfeited funds
 - To be distributed Countywide through schools system
 - Additional videos being produced focusing on parents and their role and involvement in stemming the tide of drug addiction





Enforcement

- Southern Narcotics Unit
 - Focusing on drug distribution activity in the southern portion of the County
- Aggressive Prosecution- Leading the State in prosecuting **strict liability** deaths-removing the true drug dealer from the community
- Aggressive Forfeiture Policy
- Countywide K-9 operations
- Pawn Shop Ordinance-RAPID System
- Project Medicine Drop- 13 PDs have boxes (4 had them in 2013); over 10,000 pounds destroyed to date: Funeral cards distributed



How Narcan Works





Narcan/Naloxone Program

Narcan utilized by every Police Agency in the County-Ocean County led the State in this life saving effort (98% of PDs in NJ are carrying)

- 129 deployments in 2014, 272 deployments in 2015, 129 as of 4/13/16
- OD deaths 112 in 2013, 104 in 2014, 95 in 2015, currently 32 as of 4/13/16



Narcan II/Recovery Coach Program

Partnership between Law Enforcement, Prevention and Health Care (Barnabas Health) to develop a strategy to combat the cycle of opiate addiction

- Hospital
- Detox Facility
- Treatment Options



Hospital

- Opiate overdose results in a law enforcement or field (EMT or Paramedic) deployment of Naloxone.
- Patient transported to hospital emergency room for additional treatment and monitoring
- After treatment, but prior to release, recovery coach meets with patient
- Referral to a detox facility
- Detox facility picks up patient
 - Not allowing any opportunity for patient to run/disappear prior to getting to detox



Recovery Program Stats 3/31/16

Monmouth and Ocean Counties

- There has been a total of 75 interventions, 58 in Ocean County
- Sex: 75% Male (56), 25% Female (19)
- Age: 3% (2) 12-17; 31% (23) 18-25; 45%(34) 26-44; 17% (13) 45-64
- Race: 84% (63) White; 7% (5) African American; 3% (2) Hispanic
- Treatment: 45% (34)entered into detox
35%(26) entered into treatment
53%(18 out of 34) completed detox



Detox Facility

- Patient will stay at detox facility for 24-48 hours
- Assessment of treatment options for patient
- Recommend treatment and refer to Doctor



Treatment Options

- Methadone
- Suboxone
- Vivatrol
- Inpatient treatment-may be out of state
 - It should be noted there are limited doctors authorized to prescribe these drugs and each patient is unique in their needs.



QUESTIONS

