

# QUICK RESPONSE TEAM

February 12, 2018



## QRT GOALS

- **INITIATE CONTACT WITH INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE OVERDOSED WITHIN 24-72 HOURS IN ORDER TO DISCUSS TREATMENT OPTIONS**
- **REDUCE THE NUMBER OF OVERDOSES BY 20%**
- **TARGET INDIVIDUALS WITH RECURRENT OVERDOSES FIRST, TO REDUCE RECURRENT OVERDOSES BY 40%**
- **INCREASE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS ENGAGED IN POST-OVERDOSE TREATMENT BY 25%**

### Process:

Every Monday morning, the project coordinator pulls the names and locations of individuals who overdosed and were attended by CCEMS since Friday. Every Tuesday-Friday, she pulls the names from the calls of the day before.

Hours: M-F from 12 pm to 8 pm

## DEVELOPMENT

- Modeled after the Quick Response Team in Colerain, OH
- Though in a population with far fewer overdoses than Huntington, the rate of those going into treatment was highly successful
- One EMS personnel, one law enforcement officer, and one recovery coach/clinician

### QRT Partners

- Cabell County EMS
- Huntington Police Department
- Recovery Point
- Huntington Comprehensive Treatment Center
- Prestera Center

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*“The QRT members are actually visiting these affected individuals, and their family offering them options that have never been offered in such a way before... My hope is that the QRT will become a national model for dealing with this epidemic.”*

*– Connie Priddy, QRT Coordinator*

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## COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

- There is an identified need to involve all faith-based groups in our community
- Meeting with (and soliciting involvement from) the Huntington Black Pastor’s Association (HBPA) After trainings, the faith leaders would be on-call when requested, and sometimes ride along with the team
- Trained medical professionals can train individuals in the community to administer naloxone
- The Marshall University School of Pharmacy works closely with the Harm Reduction for these trainings and will be available to provide trainings for family members and individuals of individuals with substance use disorders
- Naloxone can then be prescribed and distributed in the community

## SUMMARY OF COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS



Huntington, WV

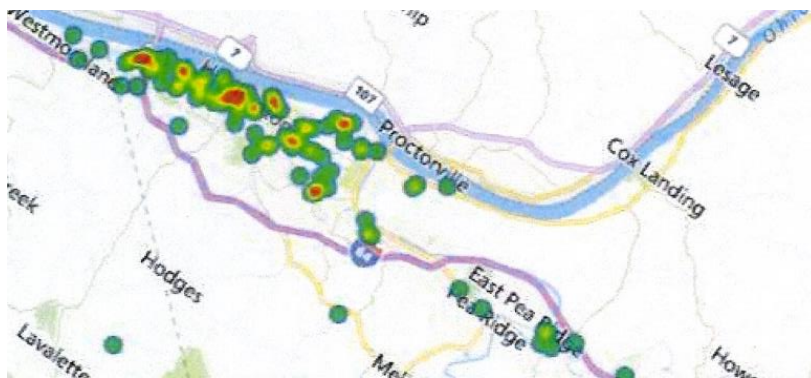
- *Quick Response Team*- identifies individuals who have overdosed and engages them for treatment
- *Harm Reduction Program*- provides the needle exchange and other medical services to promote public health and safety
- *LEAD*- a partnership between law enforcement and treatment
- *Project Engage*- works to identify and intervene early with individuals in the hospitals to prevent more overdoses and get them treatment more quickly
- *Faith Community United*- equips faith leaders and community members to handle situations with individuals with SUD and properly help them, as well as partner with initiatives like the QRT to help engage people into recovery

*\*Other Projects are currently in planning to address the opioid epidemic*

## OVERDOSE LOCATIONS FROM DECEMBER 2017 THROUGH JANUARY 2018 (CEMS)

“Suspected overdose” calls run by CEMS

December 2017 – 107/January 2018 - 113



## Progress Update:

QRT Statistical Data for December 4-31, 2017	QRT Statistical Data for January 1-31, 2018
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Client contacts attempted – 105</li> <li>• Client contacts successful – 52</li> <li>• Clients in treatment – 19</li> <li>• Average age – 36 yrs</li> <li>• 72 Males/33 Females</li> <li>• 93% had a Huntington mailing address</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Client contacts attempted – 71</li> <li>• Client contacts successful – 35</li> <li>• Clients in treatment – 19</li> <li>• Average age – 35 yrs</li> <li>• 43 Males/28 Females</li> <li>• 90% had a Huntington mailing address</li> </ul>