# **PREVENTION**

## in Communities

**OVERVIEW:** The South Dakota Department of Social Services, Division of Behavioral Health works with key partners to provide prevention awareness and education across South Dakota. Activities are in line with SAMHSA's Opioid Overdose Prevention Toolkit.

#### **KEY PARTNERS:**

- Prevention Resource Centers
- Community-Based Coalitions
- South Dakota Association of Healthcare Organizations (SDAHO)



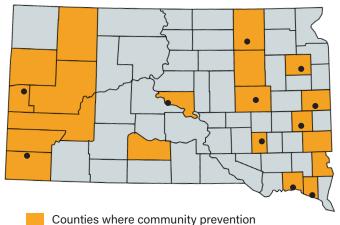
#### **SINCE OCTOBER 2017...**

**Over 650 South Dakotans** have attended a town hall presentation regarding opioid awareness and prevention

49 professionals have been trained in evidence-based prevention programming for opioid misuse and abuse

Targeted community conversations will be held in 11 of the largest rural population centers in SD in 2019

#### **COUNTIES SERVED TO DATE**



- programming has been presented
- Communities targeted for the Opioid COARE program

### **STRATEGIES**



Deliver evidence-based opioid awareness and education programming to communities across South Dakota by hosting prevention and awareness town hall events.



Plan and execute community-specific oconversations and training events across 11 targeted communities as part of the Community Opioid Abuse Response Effort (COARE) program, with efforts led by SDAHO.



Host local Take Back events to promote egication disposal as well as education about the disposal of any unwanted, unused, or expired medications.

If you or someone you know is struggling with opioid addiction - don't wait. Reach out.

www.AvoidOpioidSD.com South Dakota Opioid Resource Hotline 1-800-920-4343

To learn more about prevention activities across South Dakota, please contact DSS, Division of Behavioral Health at 605-367-5236.

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