**Substance Use Prevention Related Programs**

Using a variety of effective prevention strategies across the lifespan, funded agencies collaborate at the community-level to reduce alcohol, tobacco and other drugs use, delay the early initiation of problem gambling and prevent suicides. Using data to drive decisions, funded agencies work with multiple community sectors to complete the following:

* Assess a community’s true needs by reviewing local, state and national data
* Build local capacity around prevention efforts
* Reflect each community’s cultural diversity
* Develop community-level strategic plans to address prevention needs
* Implement strategic plans to increase positive behavior change
* Evaluate local efforts
* Sustain positive outcomes

**Substance Abuse Prevention Priorities**

These prevention priorities are promoted through the various grant opportunities the bureau administers.

Alcohol

Problem Gambling

Suicide

Tobacco

Prescription Medication/Opioids

Methamphetamine

Marijuana

**Prevention Grants**

See current Substance Use Prevention grants.

[**Learn more**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/substance-use-disorder/substance-use-prevention-programs/prevention-related-programs)

**Prevention Related Programs Data, Publications and Reports**

**Note: All documents are PDFs unless otherwise labeled.**

**Data Briefs**

* [**Iowa Substance Use Brief - Alcohol-Involved Deaths**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9306/download?inline) (Dec 2022)
* [**Iowa Substance Use Brief - Binge Drinking**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9302/download?inline) (June 2022)
  + Binge Drinking Social Media Data Bites (see Zip file for these. Please link however best).
* [**Iowa Substance Use Brief - Suicide**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9315/download?inline) (June 2022)
* [**Iowa Substance Use Brief - Underage Drinking**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9314/download?inline) (October 2022)
* [**Iowa Substance Use Brief - Young Adults**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9313/download?inline) (July 2022)
  + Young Adult Substance Use Social Media Data Bites (see Zip file for these. Please link however best).

**Epidemiological Profiles**

* [**State of Iowa Substance Use Epidemiological Profile 2020**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9317/download?inline)

**Grant Evaluation Reports**

* [**Strategic Prevention Framework for Prescription Drugs (SPF Rx) Grant Evaluation Report 2016-2021**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9319/download?inline)

**Reports**

* [**2021 Adult Survey on Drug Health, Wellbeing, Substance Use, and Gambling Report**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9304/download?inline) (released June 2022)
* [**Polysubstance Use: Special Report of the 2021 Adult Survey**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9322/download?inline)
* [**In the Know: Common Data Reports**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/node/3545) (link to [Substance Use Disorders | Health & Human Services](https://hhs.iowa.gov/programs/programs-and-services/substance-use-disorder))
* Iowa Young Adult Survey Report (link to YoungAdult SU EpiBrief Final doc)
* [**Methamphetamine Use in Iowa Report**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9321/download?inline)
* [**Workforce Survey Results: Iowa Substance Abuse and Problem Gambling Prevention Report**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/9320/download?inline)

**Data Resources**

* [**Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS)**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/performance-and-reports/brfss)
* [**Iowa Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP)**](https://pharmacy.iowa.gov/prescription-monitoring-program) - Annual Reports
* [**Iowa Public Health Tracking Portal**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/data) - Substance Use and Misuse
* Iowa Substance Use Dashboard - link to [Drug Overdose SUDORS Data | Health & Human Services](https://hhs.iowa.gov/data/health/substance-use/drug-overdose/drug-overdose-sudors-data)
* [**Iowa Violent Death Reporting System (IAVDRS)**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/iavdrs) - Data Reports
* [**Iowa Youth Survey**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/about/performance-and-reports/iowa-youth-health-assessment)
* State Unintentional Drug Overdose Reporting System (SUDORS) – link to [Drug Overdose SUDORS Data | Health & Human Services](https://hhs.iowa.gov/data/health/substance-use/drug-overdose/drug-overdose-sudors-data)
* [**Vital Statistics of Iowa Annual Reports**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/health-statistics)

**Data Requests**

**Information About Requesting Data from Iowa HHS**

**Who do I contact for more information?**

**Contact RERC@hhs.iowa.gov**

**Substance Use Prevention Strategic Plan**

The Bureau of Substance Use established a committee in the summer of 2017 to inform the strategic plan process. In addition to bureau staff, committee members included representatives from the Governor’s Office of Drug Control Policy, the Iowa Department of Education, the Iowa Department of Human Services, and the Iowa Department of Public Safety, along with community-based prevention and treatment service providers from across the state.

The Five-Year Substance Use Prevention Strategic Plan follows the Strategic Prevention Framework (SPF) model and is guided by the principles of cultural competence and sustainability throughout all five steps of the process.  The Strategic Plan focuses on strategies for Evidence-Based Practices, Continuous Quality Improvement, Prevention Education, Workforce Development, and includes a special focus area on strategies to Reduce Opioid Use Disorder.

* [**Five Year Substance Use Prevention Strategic Plan (2018-2022)**](https://hhs.iowa.gov/media/7501/download?inline%3Finline=)

**Contact**

To learn more about prevention services and connect with an Iowa HHS-funded prevention agency in your area, visit [**YourLifeIowa.org**](https://yourlifeiowa.org/facility-locator) or contact **[bsaprevention@hhs.iowa.gov](mailto:bsaprevention@hhs.iowa.gov)** with questions.