



What's the SCOPE - OK

Southcentral Consortium for Overdose Prevention and Education in Oklahoma
Leading Rural Oklahoma to Improve Lives



A monthly publication to highlight the SCOPE-OK project and our partners

Recent SCOPE-OK Happenings



Rural Health Conference

SCOPE-OK helps rural communities with SUD prevention, treatment, and recovery so we are proud to take part in this important event each year.



Valero Total Wellness Fair

We partnered with the Ardmore Valero Refinery to bring prevention resources to employees during their annual wellness event. It is great working with employers in our communities to bring onsite services to those in need.



INCA Take Back Event

By partnering with RSVP-INCA Community Services in Tishomingo, we were able to collect *20 pounds of syringes and 5 pounds of medications* during our take back event. These are now safely destroyed and off the streets making our towns safer!

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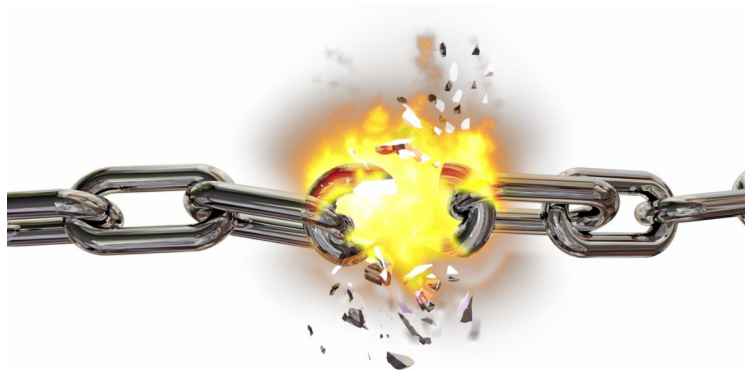
In summary, The Society of Behavioral Medicine supports legislation that would repeal the lifetime ban on receiving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) and Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) benefits for individuals convicted of a drug felony.

[Read the Full Position Statement Here](#)

Expungement Event Coming Soon!

Spring 2024

Durant, OK



The following services will be provided:

- Expungement services with qualified attorneys
- Career opportunities

- Health care services
- Special Veterans Hour

Are you interested in providing services or joining the planning committee?

Contact Jayme!

Stigma Survey

Help us understand stigma in Oklahoma!

The Southcentral Consortium for Opioid Prevention and Education in Oklahoma (SCOPE-OK) seeks to understand community attitudes and beliefs about substance use disorders (SUD). Stigma regarding SUD, or negative beliefs and/or attitudes about people who experience addiction, is common at both the individual and system levels and can make recovery more difficult.



Please complete the survey below to help us understand stigma in our communities. The survey is completely anonymous, which means that no one will know what you said.

Take the SCOPE-OK Stigma Survey

SCOPE-OK Stigma Language One-Pager

SCOPE-OK Webinar Recording

Free Webinar!

Free On-Demand Webinar | Speaker: Mark Woodward

This course provides a critical overview of today's Fentanyl epidemic. This includes a

look at the legal and illicit application of Fentanyl, the elevated risk of overdose and death associated with today's Fentanyl, and the alarming spike in new variations of Fentanyl laced with chemicals that reduce the effectiveness of the overdose-reversal drug, Narcan. This class will educate attendees about the background, risks, and afeguards surrounding exposure to today's Fentanyl.

[Register and Watch the Recording Here!](#)



Events



SCOPE-OK Consortium Meeting

February, TBD | Ardmore Public Library

The overdose crisis in Oklahoma has been growing exponentially. It's crucial we do everything in our power to curb it from growing further. Let's work together to lead our communities and improve lives! SCOPE-OK meets at 10AM at the Ardmore Public Library with a zoom option available for those who cannot attend in person.

[Sign up to be a part of the SCOPE-OK Consortium here!](#)

Are you interested in becoming a PRSS?

The **Certified Peer Recovery Support Specialist (PRSS)** fulfills a unique role in the support of and recovery from mental health issues and substance use disorders. A PRSS is a person in recovery from a mental health diagnosis and/or substance use disorder, who has been trained to work with others on their individual road to recovery. This training incorporates the PRSS's recovery experience as a means of inspiring hope in those they serve, as well as providing a positive role model to others. They know the journey to recovery is real and attainable because they have travelled the path themselves.



[Click here for more information!](#)

Opioid Settlement Funding Spending Discretion



Many of the lawsuits filed against companies involved in the opioid overdose crisis have now been resolved. As a result, **over \$30 billion in funding will be coming to states, cities, and counties** over the next 18 years, with the first payments arriving in 2022. The agreements place limitations on how states and local communities can use the money with most of it being used to address the opioid overdose epidemic. To help your state and local jurisdictions use the money wisely, you can share the Primer on Spending Funds from the Opioid Litigation with your government officials to encourage appropriate use on this funding. The guide shares information on how to invest in evidence-based programs and services to address the opioid epidemic.

Contact your officials today to ensure the settlement funding is utilized!

READ MORE ABOUT THE FUNDS HERE

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