



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

OKARR 2023 Summit Success

SCOPE-OK was a vendor at the 2023 OKARR Summit September 18-19 in Norman. This well organized event hosted over 250 individuals from a variety of recovery homes and treatment and recovery resources from the state. The agenda was packed with knowledgeable speakers offering PRSS continuing education and a variety of topics covering things such as spirituality, working with state agencies, and becoming OKARR certified. SCOPE-OK project manager, Diana Flood, hosted a break out session that was focused on community engagement with rural providers and overcoming stigma.



ABHC Community Partner Meeting

The Ardmore Behavioral Health Collaborative (ABHC) recently held a community partner meeting on 9/14 where SCOPE-OK participated to share the resources we have available. The event hosted 38 different organizations who were able to network and trade valuable information on the services they offer to not just those in needs, but other organizations looking to partner. During the meeting we were able

to share our highs and lows with one another and connect together as those working on behavioral health initiatives in the area. We were proud to represent SCOPE-OK at this great event!



International Overdose Awareness Day

International Overdose Awareness was acknowledged on **August 31, 2023**. The Carter County Substance Abuse Committee held its sixth annual CCSAPC Memorial. This event took place at the Colvert Ministry Center in Ardmore. The event featured a candlelight vigil that celebrated hope and provided remembrance for those lost to overdose.

- The Daily Ardmoreite



OFMQ Clinical Consultant and SCOPE-OK Event Coordinator, Sandra Burchill, emceed the memorial.

"It was my pleasure to introduce the speakers at the Ardmore Memorial event on August 31: International Overdose Awareness Day. During this annual event, people all around the world strive to end overdose, reduce the stigma surrounding substance use disorder (SUD) and acknowledge those whose lives were forever changed or lost due to overdose. There is such good work being done in Ardmore and the memorial event is always an encouraging time to hear stories of hope and honor those loved ones we have lost."

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!](#)

Events



Free Webinar - Overview of Today's Fentanyl Epidemic

Thursday, October 26, 2023 | 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 safeguards surrounding exposure to today's Fentanyl.

Register
Here!

SCOPE-OK Consortium Meeting

Monday, November 20, 2023 | 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!

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!

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