

Safer Care and Better Outcomes



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Register Now Humboldt County Opioid Summit

Come hear best practices and lessons learned regarding chronic pain and opioid addiction from community peers and national experts.

April 26, 2019 8:00 am - 3:00 pm at the Fortuna River Lodge

Click here to Register

Printable Flyer

What is in this Issue

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The Humboldt County Sheriff's Office Release the 2018 Alcohol and Other Drugs-Related Deaths Report.

According to the Sheriff's office the purpose of this report is to describe trends in the number of alcohol and other drugs-related deaths occurring in Humboldt

County in 2018. Trends are examined by age at time of death, gender, location and substances related to death.

See the entire report here

Getting Upstream of the Opioid Crisis: The Critical Role of Prevention.

<u>Valuable</u> Resources

Webinar:
Outpatient
Treatment for
Opioid Addiction
March 20th

Weitzman Institute:
Pain and Opioid
Education and
Support

Accelerating Opioid Safety Tool Kits:

- Ambulatory Care
- Treating SUD

The National Interoperability
Collaborative hosted a webinar introducing The Opioid Use
Disorder Prevention Playbook.
This publication focuses on the important role of prevention and ways communities can implement strategies that move efforts upstream.



A recording of the webinar can be found here.

Resources

- The Opioid Use Disorder Prevention Playbook
- The Plays



Virtual Screening of Broken Places on March 21st at 5:00 pm

A special virtual screening of Broken Places, the latest U.S. documentary on early

childhood trauma and resilience, will air on March 21. The film will be offered via a private Vimeo link with passcode to all registered members of ACEs Connection, for free.

Click <u>here</u> to join the ACEs Connection and to <u>Register</u> for the live viewing.



Advancing the Safety of Acute Pain

The Institute for Healthcare Improvement (IHI) has recently released a report regarding how to safe and effectively treat acute pain. Additionally, IHI has provided two great videos on this topic.

- 1. The Video above is an overview of the issue
- 2. The video below is a simulation of effective communication for a presurgery conversation between a patient and a surgeon

Safe and effective acute pain management is complex. Providing comprehensive holistic care while minimizing the unnecessary use of opioids is a more complicated goal than simply reducing the use of opioids, but it is an approach that is more likely to improve the safety of acute pain management. See the entire report here

<u>in Primary</u> <u>Care</u>

Our Pathways to Health Workshops

Morphine Equivalent Calculator

Safe Prescribing Guidelines

Medication
Disposal Bins
locations Flyer

Complete
Reference Manual
for Assessment and
Treatment of Acute
and Chronic Pain

Up Coming Events

Rx Safe Humboldt Coalition Meeting is Friday, March 22, 2019 from 8:30-9:30 am at the Hospice of Humboldt

The Connection
HPRC Calendar of
Events

Events Calendar:
See this
comprehensive list
of events in
Humboldt County
over the next few
months

This report outlines Action Steps for healthcare safety leaders

- 1. Understanding your role
- 2. Gather information and data
- 3. Obtain organizational commitment
- 4. Convene a multidisciplinary working group
- 5. Conduct an organizational assessment
- 6. Prioritize Activities
- 7. Develop an implementation plan
- 8. Select Metrics and Identify a Measurement Strategy
- 9. Execute the plan and continue improvement activities



X-Waiver - Free 8-hour course

There is a free 8-hour web-based course for physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants who wish to apply for a waiver to prescribe buprenorphine for the treatment of opioid use disorders.

This is a free training that will fulfill the requirements to obtain an x-waiver, but now under new legislation, <u>AB2487</u>, physicians and surgeons are required by law to complete either (a) a four-hour CME course on pain management or end of life, or (b) 12 hours on the treatment of opiate-dependent patients within four years of their initial license, or by their second renewal date. <u>Register here</u>

Additionally, share this with providers in your network to ensure they are aware of the changes and the resources available. For more information on the legislative changes, see this <u>webinar</u> with Clinical Lead for the Accelerator Opioid Safety Network, Dr. Matt Willis, the accompanying <u>slides</u>, <u>resource list</u>, and <u>legislation summary guide</u>.

Academic Detailing

More than 1 in 10

American adults experience chronic pain

>>> Chronic pain is defined as pain that lasts >3 months



Our team of opioid and chronic pain academic detailers have been making the rounds all over Humboldt County to support physicians. Our curriculum spans topics such as: Informed consent, Assessments, Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (CURES), Naloxone, and Opioid Use Disorder Management. We are available to meet one-on-one or in a group

setting like an all-staff meeting. We tailor our discussion to fit the time you have available, from 15 minutes to 1 hour, we are willing to meet you where you are at.

If you or someone you know is interested in talking with our team of academic detailers, please contact Dr. Mary Meengs by **email**.

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