

THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC

LET'S TALK ABOUT IT

ERIE COUNTY

In 2016, Erie County reported **80** accidental deaths due to drugs, up **38%** from 2015

% of primary drug in overdose deaths

29%

FENTANYL

24%

HEROIN

95

2016 DEATHS
IN WHICH DRUGS WERE A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR

61%

AGES 21-40

33%

AGES 41-60

% OF OVERDOSE DEATHS BY AGE

PENNSYLVANIA

In 2015, there were **3,505** drug deaths in Pennsylvania, up **30%** from 2014

overdose deaths in Pennsylvania

30%↑

ANNUAL INCREASE SINCE 2014

10

DEATHS EACH DAY

3,505

2015 DEATHS
IN WHICH DRUGS WERE A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR

47%

AGES 20-39

44%

AGES 40-59

% OF OVERDOSE DEATHS BY AGE

UNITED STATES

In 2015, there were **52,404** drug overdose deaths in the U.S.

overdose deaths in America

11%

INCREASE IN DRUG OVERDOSES

16%

INCREASE IN OPIOID OVERDOSES

52,404

2015 DEATHS
IN WHICH DRUGS WERE A CONTRIBUTING FACTOR

45%

OF HEROIN USERS
ARE ALSO ADDICTED TO OPIOID PAINKILLERS

WAYS TO HELP

If someone has taken drugs and becomes unresponsive, **CALL 9-1-1** immediately.

Helpline for addiction:
1-800-662-4357 (HELP)

TREATMENT

**PA Center of Excellence -
Esper Treatment Center**

25 West 18th Street

Call: (814) 459-0817

EsperTreatmentCenter.com

Gaudenzia Erie, Inc.

414 W. 5th Street

DETOX ADMISSIONS

Available 24/7

Call: (814) 459-4775

Erie County Office of Drug & Alcohol Abuse

155 West 8th Street, Suite 418

Erie, PA 16501

Call: (814) 451-6877

NEED ACCESS TO NARCAN?

DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE THAT MAY BE AT RISK TO OVERDOSE ?

THESE PHARMACIES CAN
PROVIDE YOU WITH
DOSES OF NARCAN

Giant Eagle

Wegman's

Walgreens

OFTEN COSTS AS
LITTLE AS \$65
FOR TWO DOSES



Get Naloxone Now

LEARN HOW TO RESPOND TO AN
OVERDOSE EMERGENCY BY
GETTING TRAINED ONLINE AT:

GETNALOXONENOW.ORG

Find a drug take back
location in Erie by
scanning this QR code:



Approximately **17.5 million** American adults had a serious mental health disorder in the past year. Of these, about 4 million people also struggled with a co-occurring substance dependency.

You are not alone. Help is out there.

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