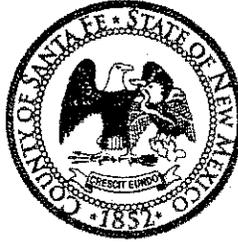


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Memorandum

To: Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners

From: Rachel O'Connor, Director
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Through: Katherine Miller
Santa Fe County Manager

Date: April 20, 2017

Subject: Presentation of the Santa Fe County Community Services Department
Funded Naloxone Program and Outcome Results (Community Services
Department/Rachel O'Connor)

Issue:

In October of 2016 Santa Fe County provided funding to Santa Fe Opiate Safe (SOS), a project of the Santa Fe Prevention Alliance which is hosted by the Santa Fe Public Schools, to increase the use of the opiate overdose reversal drug Naloxone county wide. We are reporting the results of this project to the Board of County Commissioners to increase their understanding of the scope of projects funded by the Community Services Department.

Background:

In 2014 the Santa Fe County Board of County Commissioners approved the Health Action Plan, setting priorities for health programming and expenditures in our County. Priorities outlined in the Health Action Plan including those of reducing drug abuse and drug overdose in Santa Fe County. Towards that end, the Community Services Department increased funding for both treatment and prevention efforts in 2015.

In October of 2016, CSD began funding Santa Fe Opiate Safe (SOS) to distribute Naloxone and train first responders and community members on its use. SOS Coordinator Bernie Lieving, a social worker with extensive background in harm reduction, was issued a standing order to distribute Narcan, the brand name for the nasal spray form of naloxone, which was made possible by changes to state policy which allowed any community service organization to distribute naloxone. Lieving trained County and city Fire and Law Enforcement in the use of Narcan, and also trained probation

and parole officers, healthcare entities, and school staff, and staff in numerous community service agencies, along with family members and friends of those at risk for overdose. To date he has given 78 trainings to 489 people. 628 Narcan kits (2 doses each) have been dispensed, and there have been 21 people resuscitated.

Lieving sought to replicate the work statewide and, under a grant recently awarded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to the State Behavioral Health Services Department, is now the Overdose Prevention Education Coordinator-at the Office of Substance Abuse Prevention. The \$5.0 million dollar grant, built on the work piloted under the Santa Fe County projects, seeks to reduce opioid overdose-related deaths in five counties in NM, including Santa Fe.

Staff Recommendations

This presentation by Bernie Lieving is provided by the Santa Fe County Community Services Department for informational purposes only.

