Efforts to Reduce Substance-Related Harms in Rural WI

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Intro

- Substance use disorders (SUDs) are common
 - 15-20% lifetime prevalence in general U.S.
 - 30+% in primary care/hospital samples
- Cost estimates range \$200 billion to \$1.4 trillion
- < 10% access needed treatment</p>

National Survey on Drug Use & Health 2023 NIDA Drug Addiction Treatment Outcomes Study (e.g. Schoenthaleret al 2015. J Reward Deficienc) Andersson et al 2019. Addict Beh.

Recent Trends

Substance use † last 20 years and †† during pandemic

Disparate impact on rural residents

t heavy alcohol consumption

• Opioid overdose mortality † 60+% (e.g. 224 in Q2 2019 v 361 Q2 2020)

Cases involving methamphetamine † 452%

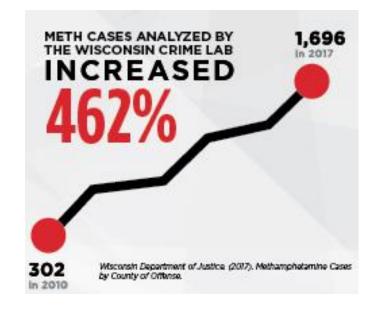
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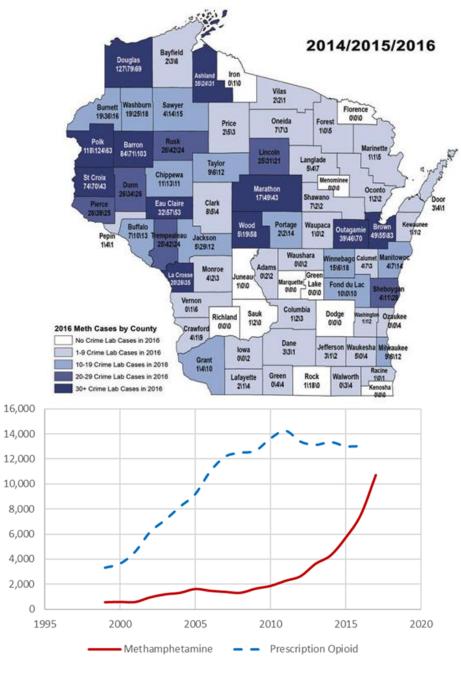
• 70% of rural WI counties lack an opioid treatment program or certified prescriber treating opioid use disorder

Despite ↑ substance use and use disorders, ↓ WI residents served by addiction treatment services

•12,252 served in Q1 2019 vs 3,116 in Q3 2020 (WI DHS)

About <u>1 in every 5</u> drug cases at the Wisconsin State Crime Labs involved meth



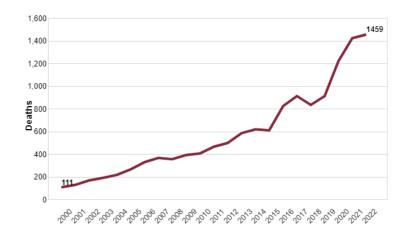


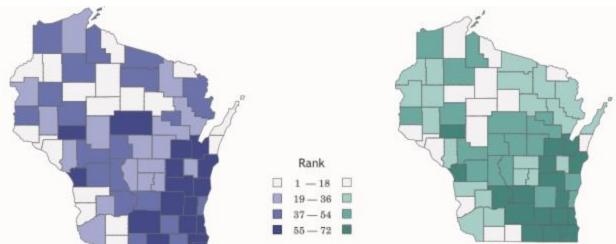
CDC. https://www.drugabuse.gov/related-topics/trendsstatistics/overdose-death-rates

Opioids

- Total of 1,822 opioid overdose deaths in 2022 (113 in Northern Region, 168 in Western)
- 15,162 opioid-related hospital encounters (1,001 in Northern, 1,721 in Western)

WI Opioid Overdose Deaths



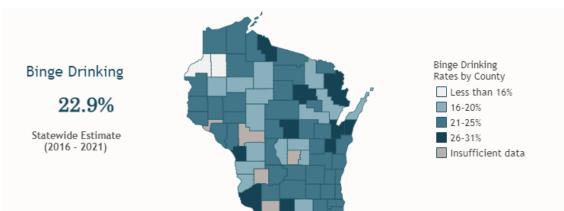


WI DHS Opioid Data Dashboards

Deaths

Hospitalizations

Alcohol



- 3,331 alcohol-attributable deaths in WI in 2022
- > 1,100 ER visits
- 6,151 alcohol-related crashes
- 24,651 OWI arrests
- Costs \$4 billion per year
 - 2/3 due to lost productivity

Wisconsin Department of Health Services. DHS Interactive Dashboards



Program for Research, Outreach, Therapeutics, and Education in the Addictions



Education

 1 of first 9 accredited Addiction Medicine fellowship programs in US (DHS GME Program Grant)

- UW DFMCH Addiction Medicine Fellowship
- VA Interprofessional Advanced Fellowship in Addictions
 Treatment

UW DFMCH Addiction Medicine Fellowship

The Addiction Medicine Fellowship provides clinical experience and instruction in the management of substance use disorders. Successful completion of the one-year program allows trainees to sit for the board certification exam in Addiction Medicine.

The fellowship, created in 2010, was one of the first programs in the country to provide training to physicians interested in becoming board certified in the newly recognized specialty of Addiction Medicine. The program is accredited by the American Council for Graduate Medicine Education (ACGME), and it was selected as a National Model Program by the American Board of Addiction Medicine.

Trainees will gain expertise in:

- Assessment and management of patients with substance use disorders and with co-morbid illness
- Models for integrating addiction medicine into primary care settings
- Management of acute withdrawal and intoxication syndromes
- Delivery of medications foropioid use disorder MOUD) and medications for alcohol use disorder (MAUD)
- Chronic pain and addiction
- Care of patients living with HIV and with substance use disorder(s)



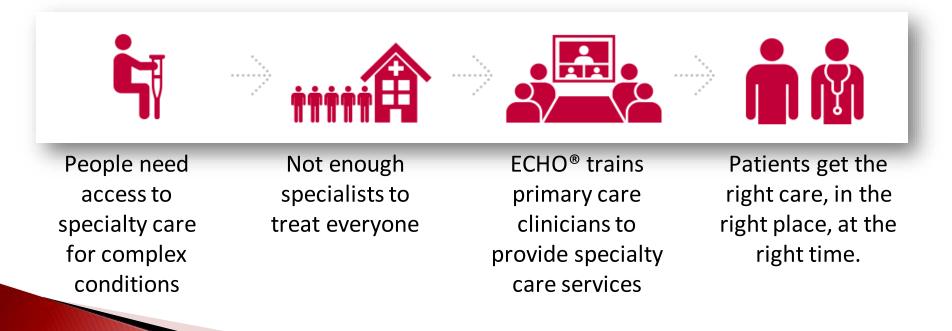
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ECHO Clinic Format

- Introductions
- Case presentation by outlying provider
- Discussion and recommendations
- Didactic presentation
- Evaluation/feedback



Wisconsin Addiction Medicine Consultation Service

- Weekday call system via UW Hospital Access Center paging
- Madison Area Providers Call: 608-263-3260
- Statewide Providers Call: 1-800-472-0111
 - The Hotline is available weekdays from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.



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Rural Health & Substance Use clinical Support Project (RHeSUS)

- 1–2-day SUD Management Boot Camp Series
- Collaboration with health systems
- Lunch & Learn Series
- Addiction Medicine virtual office hours
- Access to consultation warm line

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- Research
 - Mobile technology to support recovery
 - Systems interventions to enhance uptake of evidencebased practices
 - Opioid misuse prevention
 - Screening in Trauma for Opioid Misuse Prevention (STOMP)
 - Clinical trials of psychedelic compounds (psilocybin, MDMA, 5MeO-DMT) as potential therapeutic agents in setting of SUD's and associated conditions

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