

# National Association of Counties *Opioid Solutions Leadership Network Update*

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## What is the NACo OSLN?

- Learning community focused on developing and sharing ideas to invest opioid settlement funds.
- Established in 2022 – 30 county leaders from across the country.
- Met four times in 2023 to learn and share about innovative opioid abatement strategies.



# Wisconsin Members

- Sue Smith, Wood County Health Officer
- Brian Holt, Walworth County Board Supervisor
- Jennifer Wittwer, Director, Behavioral Health Division, Milwaukee County





For more information on the OSLN

<https://www.naco.org/program/opioid-solutions-leadership-network>





# NACo Opioid Solutions Center

The Principles  
Guide to  
Monitoring  
Opioid  
Settlement  
Spending

The Principles  
Guide to  
Removing Policy  
Barriers

The Principles  
Guide to  
Creating a  
Settlement  
Council

The Principles  
Guide to  
Conducting a  
Needs  
Assessment



# Strategy Briefs

- Pretrial Services for People with Opioid Use Disorder
- Coordination of Care Upon Release from Incarceration
- Pre-Arrest Diversion
- Comprehensive Services for People with Co-Occurring Disorders



## Strategy Briefs, continued...

- Linkages to Care Across County Systems
- Warm Hand-Offs
- Youth Prevention
- Medication-Assisted Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder
- Syringe Services Programs



## Strategy Briefs, continued...

- Effective Treatment for Opioid Use Disorder for Incarcerated Populations
- Treatment and Recovery for Pregnant and Parenting People
- Naloxone to Reverse Opioid Overdose
- Post-Overdose Response Teams





# Strategy Briefs, continued...

- Treatment for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
- Increasing Access to Evidence-Based Treatment
- Whew! That's all...for now!





# Syringe Services Programs Example

What are Syringe Services Programs (SSPs)?

What evidence supports SSPs?

Are there risks to my community if we don't support SSPs?

What laws and policies present barriers to SSPs?

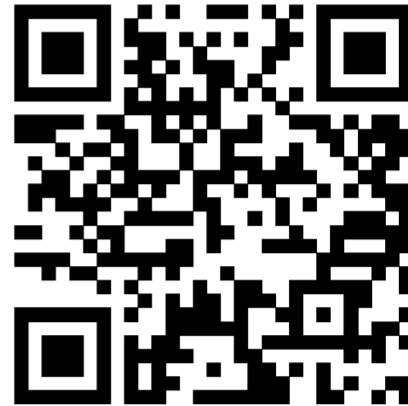
What are best practices to support SSPs?

Examples of successful SSPs.



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# Feel free to reach out!

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