



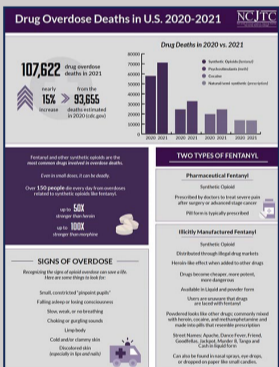
## October is Substance Abuse Prevention Month

Opioids and Fentanyl continue to have a stronghold on our nation, which has caused an unprecedented number of deaths in 2020-21.

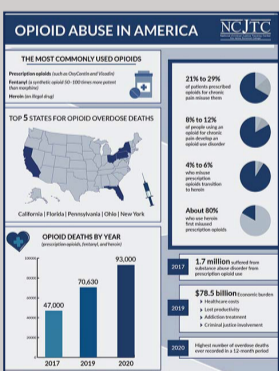
According to justice.gov:

*"Drug traffickers are now combining fentanyl or fentanyl-related compounds with other drugs to increase their potency and profit. Many unsuspecting drug abusers who are abusing cocaine, methamphetamine, heroin, or other synthetic drugs have overdosed and died within days, hours, or minutes, of each other following the introduction into a community of fentanyl or heroin laced with fentanyl."*

*"Fentanyl powder has the power to kill with the ingestion, inhalation, or skin absorption of just two milligrams. By comparison, a sweetener packet found on a restaurant tabletop generally contains 1,000 milligrams per packet."*



[Drug Overdose Deaths Infographic](#)



[Opioid Abuse in America Infographic](#)

## What's New at NCJTC?

### 2023 Conference Preparation is in Full Swing at NCJTC!

Our 2023 conference season dates have been set and we are currently accepting submissions for presentations and nominations for outstanding service. For a current listing of conferences, visit [ncjtc.org/conferences](https://ncjtc.org/conferences).

#### Call for Presentations and Service Award Nominations

##### Submissions due October 31

Court Safety and Security Conference  
March 15-17 | Appleton, WI

[More Info](#)

National Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference  
May 9-11 | Orlando, FL

[More Info](#)

##### Submissions due November 18

School Resource Officer Training Conference  
June 13-15 | Appleton, WI

[More Info](#)

Law Enforcement Administrative Professionals Training Conference  
June 21-23 | Eau Claire, WI

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Annual National Missing and Unidentified Persons Conference Service Award

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## 2023 National Missing Children's Day Awards

### All nominations for awards are due by November 18, 2022

#### 40th Annual National Missing Children's Day

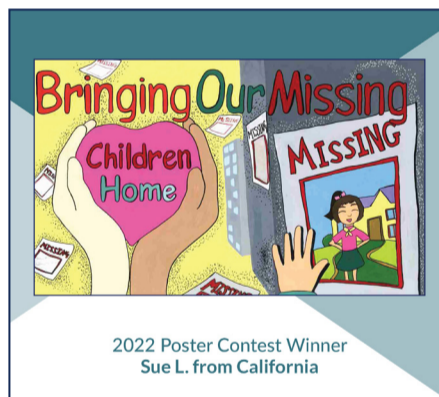
To learn more about each award category or to nominate someone please use the links provided below:

[Law Enforcement Award](#)

[Citizen Award](#)

[Child Protection Award](#)

[Attorney General's Special Commendation](#)



2022 Poster Contest Winner  
Sue L. from California

### New Critical 3 Video

#### 3 Things to Consider When Children Go Missing

Do you investigate cases that involve runaway children? Do you consider the technology footprint from a child to the predator when a child goes missing? Kevin Metcalf shares three critical things to consider when children go missing.

[WATCH IT NOW](#)



## Featured Substance Abuse Prevention Month Training

### Take a Drug Identification and Recognition Self-Paced Course!

[The Opioid Crisis in America](#)

[Dissociative Anesthetics](#)

[Hallucinogens](#)

[Depressants, Anti-depressants, and Inhalants](#)

### Current Drug Trends

[January 10-11, 2023 | Luling, LA](#)

[April 19-20, 2023 | Denton, TX](#)

During this training, you will learn more about this national challenge and other emerging drug trends such as Fentanyl, heroin, cocaine, methamphetamines, synthetic cannabinoids, and other chemicals. We will explore the issues associated with the legalization of marijuana in many states and vaping, Butane hash oil, and cannabis edibles as well as the challenges these "new drug delivery systems" have caused many states. Other topics discussed include how particular drugs are designed, why they are so popular, the stages of use, addiction, withdrawal, and the health and life-threatening dangers posed from the use of drugs.

