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Substance use disorder affects families in every corner of our country. Drug overdoses in 2021 took more than 105,000 American lives, up 14% from 2020.

During National Recovery Month, now in its 34th year, we celebrate the more than 20 million Americans who have had the courage to seek help for substance use disorder, showing millions of others that recovery is possible. We honor their resilience and recommit to making sure that every American has access to the services and support they need to rebuild lives of purpose and hope.

Facts about Opioids

Opioids—mainly synthetic opioids (other than methadone)—are currently the main driver of drug overdose deaths.

Nearly

88%

of opioid-involved overdose deaths involved synthetic opioids



Opioids were involved in

80,411 overdose deaths in 2021

75.4% of all drug overdose deaths

Drug overdose deaths involving psychostimulants such as methamphetamine are increasing with and without synthetic opioid involvement.

Information provided by the Center for Disease Control

Training and Resources to Address Drug Misuse

Current Drug Trends
October 18-19, 2023 | St. Francis, WI

Self-Paced course

Drug Identification and Recognition:
The Opioid Crisis in America

Critical 3 Videos

Current Drug Trends in Your Community

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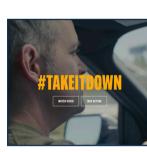


Connections Brought Swift Resolution in Child Abduction Case

As the Alerta AMBER Regional Conference in Monterrey, Mexico, was being held August 29-31,

2023, Chihuahua Regional Coordinator of the Gender-Based Violence Unit of the Chihuahua North Prosecutor's Office Yubia Yumiko Ayala Narvaez was able to immediately connect and coordinate with Mexico's National AMBER Alert coordinator Carlos Morales Rojas on the release of a national alert for the abduction of a 1-year-old girl who was taken after her parents were murdered in a home invasion. This national alert supported the amazing work of the Chihuahua state officials who sprang into action, issuing an Alerta AMBER following the report of the August 28th abduction. The national alert was issued just a few hours following the state alert. Less than 30 hours after the issuance of the state AMBER Alert, 1-year-old baby Angela was safely recovered.

AMBER Alert Training and Technical Assistance Program (AATTAP) Program Administrator Janell Rasmussen and Project Coordinator for International and Territorial Programs Yesenia Leon-Baron participated in the event hosted by the U.S. Department of Justice Overseas Prosecutorial Development Assistance and Training Section (OPDAT).



NCJTC Supports #TakeItDown Campaign

This month, NCJTC shared posts and resources in support of the #TakeItDown Campaign, which aims to protect children from sexual abuse and exploitation online. Facilitated by high-speed broadband and end-to-end encryption,

live-streaming, gaming platforms and social media, the amount of child sexual abuse material circulating online has exploded – and not enough is being done to keep children safe on technology company platforms. The #TakeItDown social media campaign, launched by the Child Fund International, creates awareness of the issue and asks for support in influencing legislatures to make changes. To learn more and view videos, visit www.takeitdown.childfund.org

Technology Toolkit delivered to Alaska

Alaska's #Chickaloon Tribal Police Department recently gathered to unpack their new Technology Toolkit. "Using the AMBER Alert Technology Toolkit will enhance our response capabilities and increase public participation in protecting our children," said Chickaloon Tribal Police Chief Donna Anthony. Read more about Alaska's #MMIW plight, the Technology Toolkit initiative, and the Chickaloon Tribe's appreciation for partnerships with us, the AMBER Alert Training and Technical Assistance Program, federal and state law enforcement, Tribal leaders, and others.

In case you missed last month's newsletter focused on NCJTC Conferences, click here.

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