NAVIGATING SYSTEMS OF CARE FOR PEOPLE WHO USE DRUGS IN ARIZONA

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HIV & Opioid Overdose (2018)

- 18,524 people with HIV
- New HIV diagnoses:
  - 10.8 cases per 100,000

- Opioid overdose deaths:
  - 15.7 per 100,000

- 8.4% of new HIV diagnoses attributed to IDU or MSM/IDU

New HIV/AIDS cases per 100,000
HIV and Injection Drug Use (2018)
Strengthening Systems of Care for People Living with HIV and OUD

Strengthen system-level coordination and networks of care between Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program recipients and other federal, state, and local entities funded to respond to the opioid crisis to ensure people with HIV and opioid use disorder have access to care, treatment, and recovery services that are coordinated, client-centered, and culturally responsive.
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**CHALLENGES**

- Communication
- Care and service provision
- Data
- Policy

**OPPORTUNITIES**

- Models for integrated care
- Partnerships
- Leverage existing resources
- People with lived experience
- Willingness to collaborate
Navigating the State’s Role

Our limitations include:
• Restrictive policy environment
• Restrictions against advocacy efforts
• Restrictions on how funding is used

We can support harm reduction & drug user health programs by:
• Recognizing our limitations and acknowledging past harms
• Participating in open and ongoing dialogues
• Finding productive mechanisms to coordinate with and support programs serving people who use drugs
Navigating the State’s Role

Goal:
people who use drugs receive integrated, high-quality, stigma-free care and services

• Continue open and honest conversations
• Work with and leverage what we already have
• Look for innovative ways to support harm reduction and drug user health efforts
• Prepare for future opportunities