

Overdose Prevention Investment Snapshot

Florida

Over 70,000 people died of an overdose in the U.S. in 2019—more than four times the 1999 total. Over two-thirds of these deaths involved an opioid. The rate of drug overdose deaths per 100,000 people was 21.6 in 2019. Deaths involving opioids rose in 2019, likely due to illicitly manufactured fentanyl. From 2018 to 2019, drug overdose deaths increased 4.8%, and opioid-involved overdose deaths increased 6.5%. Overdose deaths involving stimulants also increased.

In 2019 in Florida there were:

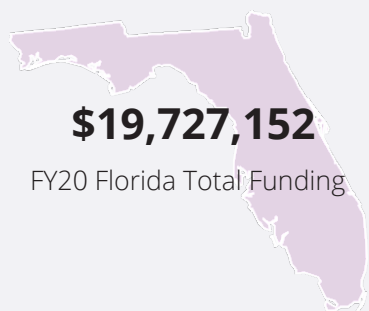
5,268

Drug overdose deaths

25.5

Drug overdose deaths per 100,000 people (age-adjusted)

2020 Funding Overview



Overdose Data To Action

Florida State Award: \$7,560,184
Broward County Local Award: \$3,111,844
Duval County Local Award: \$4,212,591
Palm Beach County Local Award: \$3,795,923

Public Health & Public Safety

Overdose Response Strategy: \$74,000
Community Innovation Award - Pinellas County: \$222,610

Research

University of South Florida: \$750,000

Examples of How Florida is Working to Prevent Drug Overdose

Targeted messages and awareness campaigns

Florida worked with local health departments to develop targeted communication messages about opioid abuse specific to the needs of designated communities and hot spots.

Upgraded and linked data systems

Florida integrated their EMS data into their local instance of ESSENCE, CDC's emergency department-based syndromic surveillance system, as well as other data sources to provide timely public health monitoring and to identify persons with opioid use disorder to ensure linkage to care.

CDC's Framework for Response



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For more information about how CDC is responding to the opioid overdose epidemic, please visit www.cdc.gov/opioids/index.html