

INSPIRE AND ACCELERATE

FORE is a national, private, grantmaking foundation focused on inspiring and accelerating action to end the opioid crisis. We are committed to convening and supporting partners advancing patient-centered, innovative, evidence-based solutions to make the greatest impact on the opioid crisis.

Family- & Community-Based Prevention

It is estimated that 8.7 million children ages 17 or younger resided in households with at least one parent who had a substance use disorder (SUD) in the past year. Growing up under these circumstances can put children at risk for developing SUD. In addition, overdose deaths in adolescents ages 14-18 more than doubled from 2019-2021. The data underscores the need for a comprehensive approach to SUD prevention, one that addresses the needs of the entire family, is community-based and culturally-informed, and attends to the traumatic experiences that may accompany substance use. Thirteen FORE-funded initiatives are paving the way:

- Georgia Institute of Technology is evaluating school-based health center programs and Medicaid policies to make the case for expanding services available in schools.
- Healthy Schools Campaign is supporting schools to maximize Medicaid funding for school-based substance misuse prevention services.
- Jewish Family Services of Atlantic County (NJ) is piloting a program offering holistic family interventions in recovery courts to improve relationships and mitigate ACEs.
- Legal Aid Services of Oklahoma is uniting legal and health care services to aid families with a substance or opioid use disorder.
- Morgan County Partnership (WV) is creating a suite of community-based services aimed at identifying and supporting children experiencing ACEs and their families.
- National Indian Youth Leadership Development Project is piloting culturally-informed school- and community-based services for children on Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.
- **Denver Health** is integrating preventative services for children with a parent with SUD into their comprehensive hub-and-spoke treatment model for adults with SUD.
- University of California, San Francisco is evaluating *Team Lily*, a program providing wraparound services to families affected by SUD, homelessness, and mental illness.
- **University of New Mexico** is using the Project ECHO model to train health care providers in school, medical, and community settings on child risk factors for SUD.
- University of South Florida is adapting *Families Facing the Future*, an evidence-based prevention program, for use by one of the largest methadone providers in Florida.
- University of Washington is establishing a new technical assistance center to help opioid treatment programs deliver evidence-based, family-focused interventions.
- Sesame Workshop is developing tools that strengthen nurturing connections between adults and children throughout a parent's recovery to promote positive childhood development.
- American Academy of Pediatrics is developing resources to enhance the capacity of pediatricians to prevent, identify, and treat substance use among adolescents and young adults.

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