

OPIOID OVERDOSE PREVENTION STRATEGIES FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING

Working together to prevent overdoses can save lives, improve community well-being, and reduce strain on the system.

1 Tech Up

- ✓ Have you installed real-time overdose detection tools like [Brave Buttons](#)?
- ✓ Do residents know about the [Never Use Alone](#) and [Safe Spot](#) hotlines?

2 Be Naloxone-Ready

- ✓ Do your overdose response kits include Narcan (Naloxone)?
- ✓ Have you provided recent training to staff and residents on administering Narcan?

3 Train Your Team

- ✓ Have you recruited and trained peer responders?
- ✓ Are your staff — including paraprofessionals and security personnel — trained in [mental health first aid](#) and overdose recovery response?

4 Help Residents Stay Safe

- ✓ Do residents understand the importance of fentanyl and xylazine test strips?
- ✓ Do residents have access to test strips and know how to use them?

5 Go the Extra Mile

- ✓ Do you partner with health care providers to offer access to medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD)?
- ✓ If possible, are you considering partnering with or hosting a Syringe Service Program?
- ✓ Have you created an open and honest environment for discussing substance use?
- ✓ Do you host workshops on overdose prevention, Narcan/fentanyl strip use, and available resources?
- ✓ Have you established relationships with local first responders and behavioral health community organizations?



To learn how the Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC) can help your agency strengthen overdose prevention in supportive housing, visit our website, or contact Ryan Springer or Theresa Young at info@tacinc.org.