LE FLORE COUNTY
Drug Overdose Facts

DRUG OVERDOSE FAST FACTS*
Le Flore County Data (2014-2018)

- There were 55 unintentional drug overdose deaths in Le Flore County.
- Le Flore County had the 20th highest death rate in the state.
- Females were 21% more likely to die than males.
- Adults aged 35-54 had the highest rate of death.
- One out of three (35%) people who died had a history of mental health problems.
- Nearly two out of three (62%) people who died had a history of substance abuse.
- Learn the warning signs of an overdose — 78% of deaths occurred at a home or apartment.

*Rates per 100,000 population. Some rates are based on a small number of cases and should be interpreted with caution.

12 Oklahomans die every week from an unintentional drug overdose

STATE FACTS:

- From 2014-2018, more than 3,300 Oklahomans died of an unintentional drug overdose.
- From 2013-2018, the rate of unintentional prescription opioid-related overdose death decreased by 61% (475 deaths in 2013; 191 deaths in 2018).
- From 2007-2018, the unintentional methamphetamine-related overdose death rate increased nearly 700%. In 2018, methamphetamine was involved in more than half of drug overdose deaths.
- From 2016-2018, nearly nine out of ten (87%) drug overdose deaths were unintentional and 8% were due to suicide.
Le Flore County had the 70th highest nonfatal drug overdose hospitalization rate in the state.

- 41% of hospitalizations were unintentional and 54% due to self harm.
- Females were more than twice as likely to be hospitalized as males.
- Adults aged 85+ had the highest hospitalization rates.
- The most common substances involved in hospitalizations were:
  - Benzodiazepines (21% of hospitalizations)
  - Non-opioid pain medications (20%)
  - Opioids; Antidepressants (16%)

*Includes all intents of nonfatal drug overdose – unintentional, self harm, undetermined, and assault

Unintentional Drug Overdose Death Rates by County of Residence
Oklahoma, 2014-2018

Data Source: OSDH Injury Prevention Service, Fatal Unintentional Poisoning Surveillance System