Tulsa County SPF SIG Project

Tulsa County Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant
In 2011, Tulsa City-County Health Department received a 4 year SAMHSA’s Strategic Prevention Framework State Incentive Grant (SPF SIG) funding to work with the Coalition Against Prescription and Substance Abuse of Tulsa (CAPSAT) to address the problem of non-medical use of prescription drugs in Tulsa County. The SPF SIG, provides funding to States and federally recognized Tribes and Tribal organizations to implement the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s Strategic Prevention Framework in order to:

- prevent the onset and reduce the progression of substance abuse,
- reduce substance abuse-related problems in communities, and;
- build prevention capacity and infrastructure at the State/Tribal and community levels.

Through a needs assessment, communities identified data-driven priorities.

Non-Medical Use of Prescription Drugs

- Data collection and analyses reveal that the non-medical use of prescription drugs is the priority substance abuse issue in Tulsa County:
  - In 2010, Oklahoma had the highest prevalence of prescription painkiller abuse for the population 12 and over, that is 240,000 Oklahomans.\(^1\)
  - From 1999-2010 there were 845 opioid analgesic deaths in Tulsa County. That is a rate of 12.2 per 100,000 population which is higher than the State’s rate of 8.7 per 100,000 population\(^2\)
- The factor identified as being strongly related to and influencing the non-medical use of prescription drugs and its consequences in Tulsa County:
  - Social Availability – from 2007-2011, there were 330 cases of attempted prescription fraud in the city of Tulsa with a 78% conviction rate
- The target population was identified as individuals residing in Tulsa County between the ages of 20 and 40. The indirect targets are prescription drug dispensers and prescribers, law enforcement, health care facilities, and the general public.
- Strategies selected to decrease medical and social availability for the non-medical use of prescription drugs in Tulsa County include:
  - Proper Disposal Methods – including promoting the use of prescription drug drop-boxes through media advocacy, policy, enforcement, and a take-back event

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