

HOPE for the Workplace

Heroin and Opioid Prevention Education



More than **93,300 people** died of a drug overdose in 2020 – a **29.4% increase** over 2019. Nearly **75% of those deaths involved an opioid**. These increases are being attributed to the isolation & stress created by the ongoing Covid pandemic, as well as the increased amount of fentanyl in the drug supply.

Over **70% of workplaces** report feeling the negative effects of opioid misuse. The opioid epidemic does not discriminate on the basis of age, race, occupation or socioeconomic level.

Education is an important weapon in the fight against substance abuse and addiction. After attending this program, participants will

- know about the different types of opioids;
- identify signs & symptoms of opioid abuse & OD;
- appreciate the impact that drug misuse has on the individual, his family & coworkers and on the workplace atmosphere;
- know how to safely store & dispose of prescription medications;
- identify community resources for people facing addiction, as well as for those who care about them.

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