

# Lincoln Controlled Substances Coalition

## 2018-2020 Strategic Plan

### Coalition Principles

The following attributes describe how the Coalition will conduct its meetings, programs, and activities.

- **Engaging**, by actively seeking the opinions, suggestions, and criticisms of professional and community stakeholders.
- **Transparent**, by doing our work openly to avoid actual and perceived conflicts of interest.
- **Comprehensive**, by engaging leaders from the professional and community sectors that influence and are influenced by the crisis of drug dependence, and by assuring they engage in strong collaboration and communication.
- **Evaluative**, by continually determining if our work is successful and by using our findings to improve our processes and programs.
- **Prevention oriented**, by addressing the root causes of drug-dependence to develop effective avoidance programs.
- **Harm Reducing**, by preventing the migration of drug-dependent individuals to street drugs.
- **Neutral**, by encouraging prescribers to employ our policies and protocols with fidelity, without regard to their hospital affiliations.
- **Non-punitive**, by helping prescribers adopt our policies and protocols, without regard to their previous prescribing practices.
- **Non-judgmental**, by encouraging prescribers to accept the status of their drug-dependent patients as they help them become drug free.
- **Family Supportive**, by providing measures that assist families as they walk with their loved one in becoming drug free.

### Coalition Mission

The mission of the Lincoln Controlled Substances Coalition is to engage professional and lay leaders from across the county to collaboratively develop and conduct programs that will: (1) prevent the onset of addiction to controlled substances, (2) assure the adoption of safe opioid prescribing practices, (3) deliver comprehensive drug treatment and mental health services for all persons in need, and (4) deliver professional and community education in support of these outcomes.

## **Coalition Functions**

The Lincoln Controlled Substances Coalition will:

- Promote collaboration among its member organizations;
- Receive and discuss reports from Coalition committees to assure we are providing comprehensive consideration to problems, analyses, and recommended actions;
- Avoid unintended consequences by testing activities, analyzing and deliberating the results, securing additional insights, and developing successful programs;
- Raise community expectations for the Coalition and continually engage new stakeholders to achieve our mission; and,
- Hold Coalition members and organizations accountable for full engagement and follow-up.

## **Coalition Membership**

Organizations and individuals committed to preventing and solving the problems caused by opioid use disorder in Lincoln County are invited to join the Coalition.

## **Coalition Priorities: March 1, 2018 to June 30, 2018**

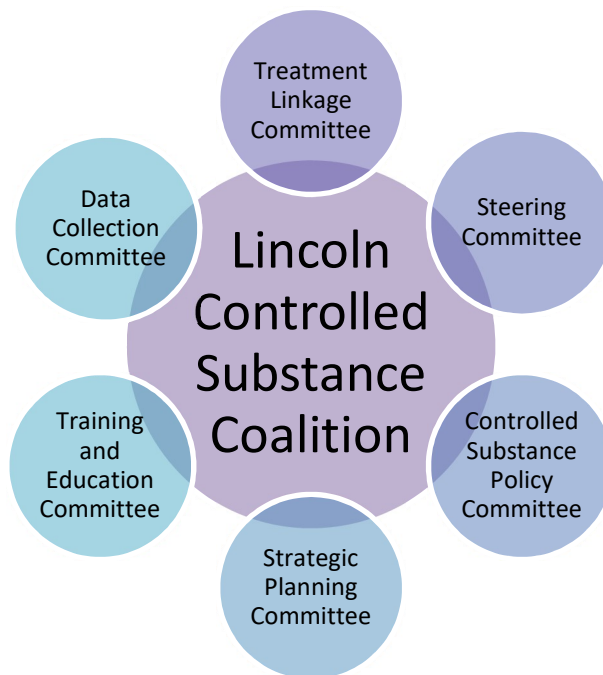
1. Raise community awareness of opioid problems in Lincoln County
2. Raise community awareness of new policies/protocols that restrict opioid prescribing
3. Prepare prescribers to meet CDC- and State- required opioid policies and procedures
4. Prepare prescribers to manage patient resistance to new opioid policies/procedures
5. Document activities in Lincoln County for preventing and treating opioid use disorder
6. Develop a comprehensive data collection system to measure the impact of Coalition activities

## **Coalition Priorities: July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019**

1. Identify and plan activities to expand treatment and linkage needs
2. Reduce diversion of prescribed opioids to unintended users.
3. Reduce stigma about chronic opioid addiction
4. Reduce community demand for opioids
5. Community trained and prepared to prevent opioid overdoses

## Coalition Priorities: July 1, 2019 to June 30, 2020

1. Continue community education and awareness of opioid problems in Lincoln County
2. Develop a system of natural supports to assist in the long term sobriety of recovering substance users



### Lincoln County Controlled Substance Coalition Committee Structure

#### A. Strategic Planning Committee

- This Committee will evaluate the needs created by Opioid dependency, develop a financial plan to address the need, and lobby legislative and elected officials, governmental entities, private funder for support of this effort.

#### B. Steering Committee

- This committee will be comprised of individuals with a history of Opioid Addiction their families as well as Community members to assist the Coalition in identifying gaps in services which hampers successful recovery and functioning

**C. Controlled Substance Policy Committee**

- This committee will partner with the medical community to implement and develop a Controlled Substance Policy for Lincoln County

**D. Treatment Linkage Committee**

- This Committee will develop relationships with the Local management Entity and the provider network to enhance treatment options in Lincoln County.

**E. Training and Education Committee**

- This committee will develop, arrange and provide training opportunities to Professional agencies and individuals, Community stakeholders and to citizens of Lincoln County regarding Opioid Use and dependency

**F. Data Collection Committee**

- This committee will collect, maintain, and distribute data as it relates to the substance abuse crisis and any Community and Coalition interventions which may be active in Lincoln County