

Current Initiatives:

3. Identify your agency's (or organization's) initiatives that address the opioid crisis since **July 1, 2016** **(State Fiscal Year 2017)**

Initiative #1

A. Describe initiative:

Monitor drug trends in Europe by working with the European Monitoring Centre for Drugs and Drug Addiction (EMDCCA). Monitor for the emergence of new drugs of abuse in the U.S. by working with the DEA, monitoring trends in the National Poison Data System, collecting samples and testing for substance(s) to help detect new drugs. Since 2009 As the result of efforts by poison center staff Dr. Ryan has recommended to the Secretary of the Department of Health and the State Health Officer 14 new novel drugs abuse that should be scheduled by emergency rule and placed in Schedule I of the Controlled Dangerous Substance Act. These included synthetic cathinones, synthetic cannabinoids, novel benzodiazepines and most recently several analogs of fentanyl.

B. Initiative can be categorized as: (check all that apply)

- Prevention – type of Prevention initiative: Education Awareness Outreach
- Treatment
- Other

C. Current status of this initiative:

1. Start Date: 7/1/2016
2. In Progress: Yes No
3. End Date: No end date anticipated

D. Identify the program indicators used to measure the contributions necessary to enable the initiative to be implemented. Indicators may include process and impact. To better understand an indicator, please refer to this link: <https://www.cdc.gov/eval/indicators/index.htm>

- Program Indicator 1: Monitor data for changes in use of drugs of abuse
- Program Indicator 2: Keep a listing of new and emerging drugs of abuse
- Program Indicator 3: Click or tap here to enter text.
- Program Indicator 4: Click or tap here to enter text.

E. Target Population of this initiative: (check all that apply)

1. Age: 0-17 18-21 22-45 46 and older
2. Gender: Male Female Other Data not available
3. Geographic Location(s) – Identify the geographic location(s) impacted by your initiative (please check the appropriate type and list the specific region(s) in the text box provided below) :
- Statewide Parish Regional Health Unit Judicial District
- Local Governing Entity (LGE) Region/Human Services District Other geographic region

Click or tap here to enter text.

F. Identify funding source for this initiative: (check all that apply)

- State general funds Federal grant funds Local/parish funds
- Private/foundation funds Other funds

G. Partnerships: List any other agencies or organizations that you partner with on this prevention or treatment initiative.

- Partnership 1: EMCDDA
- Partnership 2: U.S. Drug Enforcement Agency
- Partnership 3: American Association of Poison Control Centers National Poison Data System
- Partnership 4: Louisiana State Police Crime Lab

H. Can you identify any gaps or opportunities for partnerships?

Limited by testing laboratories who are able to and are willing to do specialized testing to identify new drugs of abuse, identify and measure metabolites, and provide quantitative testing in addition to the qualitative identification.

If your agency has no other initiatives, go to question 4, page 18