

Initiative #5

A. Describe initiative:

The Louisiana Strategic Prevention Framework for Prescription Drugs (La SPF Rx) project is grounded in the rich racially, culturally, and economically diverse population, while effectively addressing major challenges in substance abuse and mental health. The purpose of the Louisiana SPF Rx is consistent with the application guidance to raise awareness about the dangers of sharing medication; to work with pharmaceutical and medical communities on the risks of overprescribing to young adults; to raise community awareness; and to increase prescription drug abuse education to schools, communities, parents, prescribers and patients.

The goals of the La SPF Rx project include: 1) Prevent and reduce prescription drug and opioid misuse and abuse in the target population; 2) Raise awareness about prescription drugs and illicit opioid misuse and abuse; and 3) Develop a system to use existing data sources in program planning and evaluation in a proactive/preventive manner in the targeted parish.

The prevention priority for Louisiana's SPF Rx project will be to utilize the existing SPF-based infrastructure as a basis to prevent prescription drug misuse and abuse in the 12 – 17 year old and 18+ age groups. The initial target area or pilot area will be Jefferson Parish which has the highest number of opioid related overdose deaths in the state. The SPF Rx team has collected data for deaths, emergency room visits and hospitalizations by parish of residence, age, race and gender in order to identify this priority. Prevalence data for the state and Jefferson Parish are provided in section A. We will collaborate with our partners to develop effective methods to analyze and utilize these data sources throughout the course of the grant to build a sustainable system for identifying additional prevention priorities.

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: 9/1/2016
2. In Progress: Yes No
3. End Date: 8/31/2021

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: Prevent prescription drug misuse and abuse in the 12 – 17 year old and 18+ age
- Program Indicator 2: Click or tap here to enter text.
- 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: LGE
- Partnership 2: Click or tap here to enter text.
- Partnership 3: Click or tap here to enter text.
- Partnership 4: Click or tap here to enter text.

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

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I. If your agency or organization has additional initiatives, please list them here:

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