

## **Dickey County Health District**

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Dickey County Opioid Settlement Allocation Plan

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Dickey County Health District has been providing prevention services in response to the opioid crisis since 2018. Dickey County Health District receives funding from the ND Department of Health and Human Services Behavioral Health Division which is utilized under the State Opioid Response (SOR) grant. Additional funding is received from the county opioid settlement funding.

Dickey County Health District currently provides education and awareness to individuals who may be at high risk of overdose, provides training on the recognition of opioid overdose and appropriate use of Narcan, and has increased the access to naloxone by increasing awareness of where naloxone can be found. Dickey County Health District will continue to work with Dickey County Commissioners to follow the plan submitted to address the opioid crisis:

- 1. Continue Naloxone education and distribution.
- 2. Continue to provide and support education to youth to discourage use:
  - a. Funding for evidence-based prevention programs in schools
- 3. Continue building relationships with county pharmacies, law enforcement, fire departments, and our EMS partners.
- 4. Provide access to CredibleMind digital platform for improvement of mental health prevention, early intervention, and evidence-based self-care. This program provides access to a comprehensive collection of apps, videos, podcasts, articles, and other resources including referral for diagnosis and treatment.
- 5. Fund social media campaigns.

Dickey County Health District is committed to the use of these funds to address identified areas of need related to the opioid crisis in Dickey County. This plan may be adjusted to meet changing needs.

Sincerely,

Abby Gibbs, Health Promotions Coordinator