

- ✓ Expand prevention and educational efforts to prevent the abuse of opioids and heroin and to promote treatment and recovery.
- ✓ Expand the availability of naloxone to law enforcement agencies and other first responders.
- ✓ Increase funding and support for building new detox, treatment, and recovery centers.
- ✓ Launch an evidence-based opioid and heroin treatment and interventions program to expand treatment best practices throughout the country.
- ✓ Strengthen prescription drug monitoring programs to help states monitor and track prescription drug diversion.
- ✓ Expand disposal sites for unwanted prescription medications.
- ✓ Longer mandatory prison terms for predatory traffickers (not users supporting their substance use disorder).
- ✓ Funding for peer support recovery programs.
- ✓ “Means-tested and vetted” repayment programs for those treated at governmental expense.
- ✓ Require mandatory Hepatitis C and HIV testing and counseling for all ER and arrests suspected of substance use disorders.
- ✓ “Good Samaritan” protection to expand naloxone access.

## LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES 2015-2017



- ✓ Use of language that recognizes substance use disorders as a disease.
- ✓ Discontinue use of language that stigmatizes substance use disorders.
- ✓ Increased funding to expand support services for pregnant women with substance use disorders.
- ✓ Allow Medication-Assisted Therapy for those with opioid substance use disorders to be covered by Medicaid.
- ✓ Allow for evidence-based infection prevention services including education, case management, and wraparound services.
- ✓ Legislation to encourage increased surveillance and cooperation among law enforcement agencies across boundaries/borders.
- ✓ Increased funding for evidence-based, prenatal through college, prevention programs.
- ✓ Increased funding for research on prevention of, treatment for, and recovery from substance use disorders.
- ✓ Expand resources to identify and treat incarcerated individuals suffering from substance use disorders promptly by collaborating with criminal justice stakeholders and by providing evidence-based treatment.