FOUNDATIONS OF HARM REDUCTION

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North Star Statement

Harm Reduction Coalition creates spaces for dialogue and action that help heal the harms of racialized drug policies.

Learning Objectives

- To identify and define the 6 principles of harm reduction.
- To describe 3 harm reduction interventions to reduce drug-related harms.
- To identify at least one harm reduction implementation strategy participants can employ to reduce drug-related harm in their community.

WHY DO PEOPLE USE DRUGS?

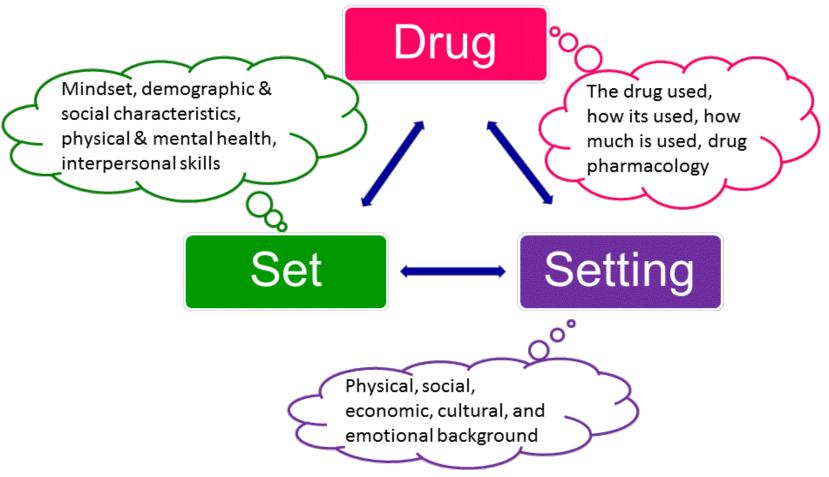
WHY DON'T PEOPLE JUST STOP?

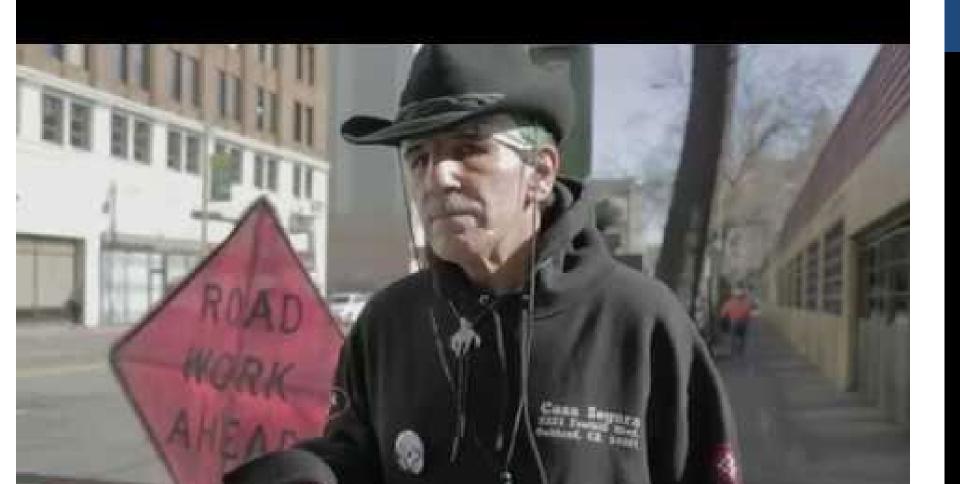
Continuum of Drug Use











PRINCIPLES OF HARM REDUCTION

Health and Dignity

Participant Centered Services

Participant Involvement

Participant Autonomy Sociocultural Factors

Pragmatism and Realism

FOCUS ON HEALTH AND DIGNITY



Establishes quality of individual and community life and well-being as the criteria for successful interventions and policies.

PARTICIPANT-CENTERED SERVICES



Calls for the non-judgmental, non-coercive provision of services and resources to people who use drugs and the communities in which they live in order to assist them in reducing attendant harm.

PARTICIPANT INVOLVEMENT



Ensures participants and communities impacted have a real voice in the creation of programs and policies designed to serve them.

PARTICIPANT AUTONOMY



Affirms participants themselves as the primary agents of change, and seeks to empower participants to share information and support each other in strategies which meet their actual conditions of harm.

SOCIOCULTURAL FACTORS



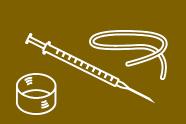
Recognizes that the realities of various social inequalities affect both people's vulnerability to and capacity for effectively dealing with potential harm.

PRAGMATIC AND REALISTIC



Does not attempt to minimize or ignore the real and tragic harm and danger associated with licit and illicit drug use or other risk behaviors.

Harm Reduction Services



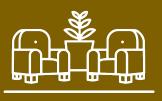
Syringe Access



Supervised Consumption **Services**



Syringe Disposal



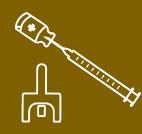
Drop-In Centers



Safer Drug Use



Housing **First**





Pharmacy Access



Naloxone Medication for Addiction **Treatment**



Referrals

Let's talk about Bakersfield....

What drugs are people doing?

What services exist?

What are barriers to accessing services?

Principles of Harm Reduction





Thank you for participating in this workshop!

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