



Recognizing Addiction

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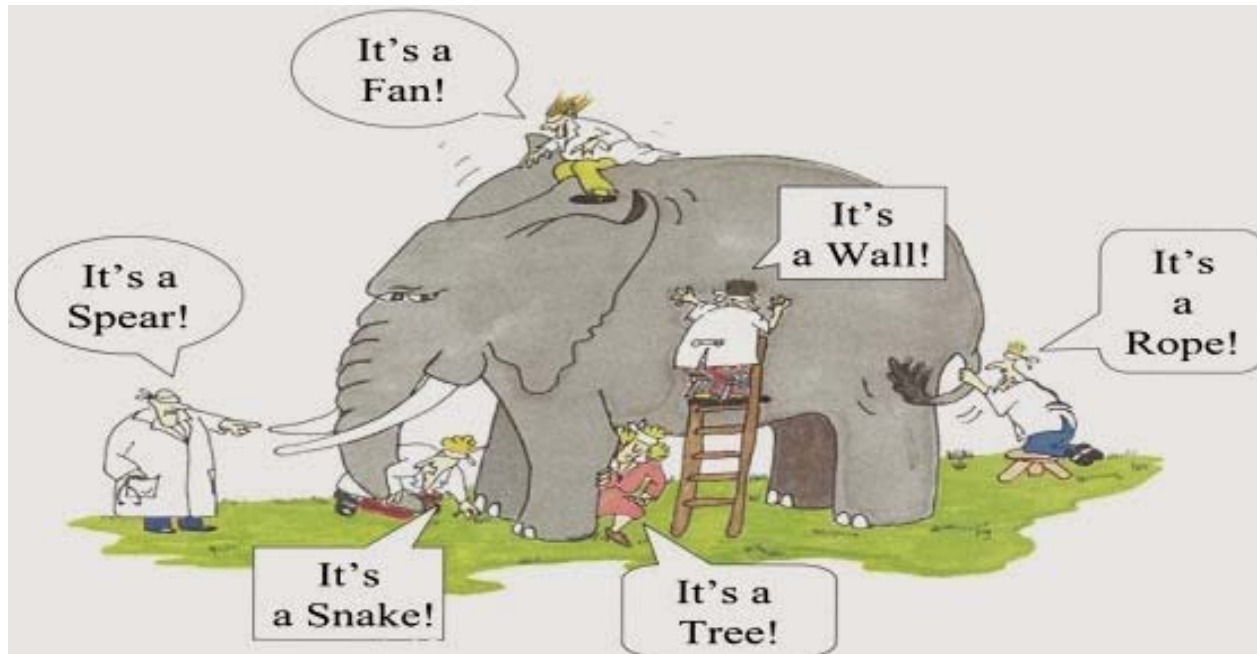
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The Quiz

- ▶ What is the age of consent for substance abuse treatment in Pennsylvania?
- ▶ How many bundles of uncut heroin could be made from 1 sugar pack?
- ▶ What Lehigh County based business had a combined \$159,000,000 in sales during 2015/2016 and 2016/2017?

The Perspective



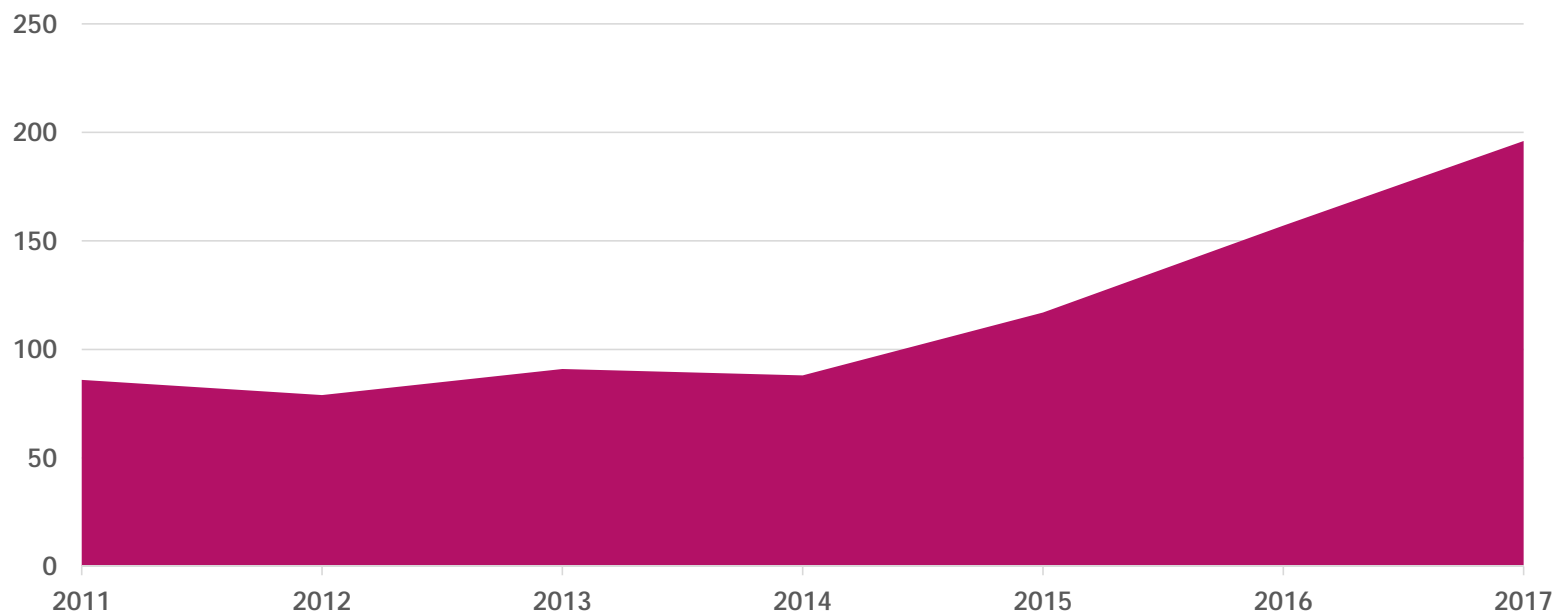


The Perspective: Overview of Opioid Crisis in PA and Lehigh County

- ▶ The rate of drug-related overdose deaths in Pennsylvania increased from 26.7 per 100,000 in 2015 to **36.5 per 100,000 in 2016**, far exceeding the national average (**16.3 per 100,000**).
- ▶ In 2016, the overdose death rates in Lehigh County (for Lehigh residents dying in Lehigh) was 33 per 100,000. However, when non-county residents who died in Lehigh are factored in, Lehigh's death rate far exceeds State averages.
- ▶ In 2017 there were 197 drug related deaths in Lehigh County.

The Perspective and Its Impact

Lehigh County Drug Related Deaths

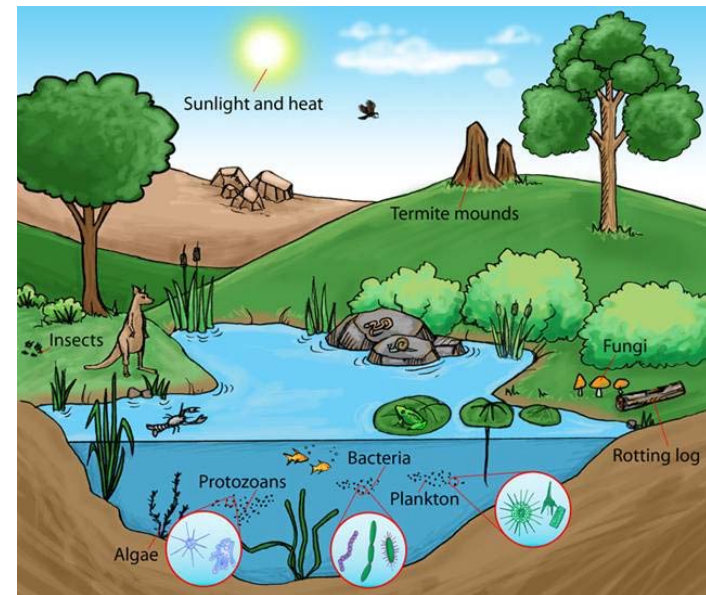


Overdose Death by Employment

	2016	2017
Construction & Extraction	25	21
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	19	14
Food Prep & Serving	12	12
Homemaker	8	11
Unemployed	14	5

The Balance

We are trying to solve an eco-system problem, in which everything is interconnected, requiring a complete picture of the situation. While prescription opioids may have been at the onset of the epidemic, their scarcity, whether through expense or more stringent prescription writing practices, shifted the focus to heroin and other street drugs creating an imbalance. This is a perfect example of ecological disruption of how a disturbance in one part of the system has far reaching effects in other parts of the system.





The Response

- ▶ Blue Guardian
- ▶ St. Luke's University Health Network
- ▶ Lehigh Valley Health Network
- ▶ 24 Treatment Providers representing all treatment levels at over 100 facilities
- ▶ 2 Education Providers
- ▶ 9 locations to access help

NaloxoneHome - IDITS x
Secure | https://riic.lehighcounty.org/idits/NaloxoneHome/NaloxoneHome

Illicit Drug Identification & Tracking System

Maps ▾ Coroner Home Blue Guardian ▾ Logout

Showing Custom Range

Blue Guardian

Show Settings ⚙

State of New Jersey, Esri, HERE, Garmin, USGS, EPA, NPS, USDA

Powered by Esri

Naloxone Usage Overview

view all >

Usage Period	Usage Count
1	2
2	3
3	5
4	4
5	2

Recent Naloxone Uses

view all >

report new use +



St. Luke's STAR Program (Sepsis Treatment & Addiction Recovery)

- ▶ Treatment related services brought inside the hospital
- ▶ Certified Recovery Specialist Supported
- ▶ +/- week 4: Transition to SUD inpatient treatment provider
- ▶ St. Luke's Visiting Nurses
- ▶ SUD cognitive behavioral treatment
- ▶ MAT induction (buprenorphine or Vivitrol)



LVH's MAT & OUD in Pregnant/Postpartum Women

- ▶ Pregnant Woman Case Coordinator
- ▶ Certified Recovery Specialist
- ▶ MAT Induction (buprenorphine/Vivitrol) in the ED and floor
- ▶ Clinic Hours (Monday/Wednesday) at local SUD treatment provider
- ▶ Connections Clinic – direct pathway for pregnant women to access SUD treatment

Resources

Codependency Groups

- ▶ Opioid Use Disorder
- ▶ Family Members
- ▶ No Cost
- ▶ Separate groups for adult and adolescent
- ▶ MARS
- ▶ 610-295-4326

Bereavement

- ▶ Opioid Related
- ▶ Family Members
- ▶ No Cost
- ▶ Separate Groups for recent loss and for families still processing the loss
- ▶ MARS
- ▶ 610-349-4766



Resources

Family Support Group

- ▶ Targeted at Opioid Use Disorder
- ▶ For Families (with or without loved one present)
- ▶ No Cost
- ▶ Brief Intervention
- ▶ Pyramid Healthcare, Inc.
- ▶ 610-434-1126

Other Resources / Programs

- ▶ Outreach
- ▶ Certified Recovery Specialist (CRS)
- ▶ Blue Guardian
- ▶ Case Coordination for Pregnant Women
- ▶ Upper Macungie HUB
- ▶ **Open Access / Walk Ins**
- ▶ Human Trafficking
- ▶ Path to Recovery (MAT jail program)
- ▶ CRS Re-Entry Program
- ▶ MAT
- ▶ Data Sharing
- ▶ Grand Rounds, Training Opportunities



The Realization

You are the solution: A community working together to rebalance the system.



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