

# OHCR's Quarterly



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The Restaurant Accolade Program, managed by OHCR, trains and educates restaurant industry staff on how to reverse an opioid overdose as well as support coworkers with substance use disorder (SUD). [More info here!](#)

### Congratulations to Buffalo Wild Wings

for training all their Delaware locations!



Middletown



Newark



Rehoboth Beach



Dover



Christiana



Bear

DELAWARE  
RESTAURANT  
ACCOLADE  
PROGRAM



### OFFICE OF HEALTH CRISIS RESPONSE (OHCR) MISSION STATEMENT

OHCR's mission is "to effectively and efficiently respond to an identified public health crisis by establishing processes and programs to prevent, manage and neutralize the crisis in collaboration with federal, state and private entities"



**As of 9/30/22: 178 staff members  
trained at 52 restaurants!  
320 Narcan kits distributed!**



# #MyReasonWhyDE Campaign

The #MyReasonWhyDE campaign is part of DPH's long-term strategy to work with partner organizations in the community to promote resiliency and positive messaging. DPH partnered with Scott Michels of The Cause to facilitate a series of workshops that highlight the reason why youth have chosen to be drug-free.

Students and youth-serving organizations were encouraged to create a short video explaining why they choose not to use drugs. This program focuses on the positive aspects of staying healthy and not turning to substance use. "It really is about promoting positive aspects in their lives and becoming happy, healthy and drug-free," said Katie Capelli, Delaware Public Health epidemiologist and grant coordinator for this project.

A celebration event of the PSAs produced over the summer was held on September 22nd at the Bellevue Theater in Wilmington's Bellevue Community Center celebrating over 47 PSA videos submitted for the #MyReasonWhyDE campaign.





WPD Community Resource Fair  
September 15, 2022



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## PAST EVENTS



RiverHouse Development  
Bancroft Construction  
March 5, 2022



CRT In person Meeting  
Milford  
July 21, 2022



Brightview POD  
August 23, 2022



## UPCOMING EVENTS

### OVERDOSE PREVENTION TRAINING

The Sussex County Community Response Team with Beebe Healthcare and Epworth United Methodist Church will provide overdose prevention training during the free drive through food pantry.

**Join us:**

November 22 and December 22, 2022  
10:00 a.m. - 12 p.m.

19285 Holland Glade Road  
Rehoboth Beach, DE 19971



**DELAWARE**  
Community Response Team

### MONTHLY NEW MEMBER ORIENTATION

Become a member of the Delaware Community Response Team. Our goal is to help end overdose and addiction related deaths and eliminate barriers to care and support while reducing addiction related stigma in the State of Delaware. We also look to address the increase of Opioid use within the state.

Hosted By:

Allenet Dessuit, BSW, CHW

**First Wednesday of each month**

**Via Microsoft Teams**

**11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

[CLICK HERE TO JOIN THE MEETING](#)

Registration is not needed

# OHCR Updates



## New Danger XYLAZINE



Also known as “tranq,” xylazine is a central nervous system depressant that can cause drowsiness, amnesia and slow breathing. This non-opioid veterinary tranquilizer has been linked to an increasing number of overdose deaths nationwide in the evolving drug addiction and overdose crisis. Studies show people exposed to xylazine often knowingly or unknowingly used it in combination with other drugs, particularly illicit fentanyl. However, because xylazine is not an opioid, naloxone does not address the impact of xylazine on breathing. Because of this, experts are concerned that a growing prevalence of xylazine in the illicit opioid supply may render naloxone less effective for some overdoses.



## 3rd Annual Overdose Awareness Day

CRTs partnered with Face the Facts for the 3rd Annual Overdose Awareness Day which was held on Friday, August 26, 2022. There were over 52 community vendors and guest speakers that included Congresswoman Lisa Blunt Rochester.



# OHCR Resources

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Kate Brookins	Public Health Administrator, Director OHCR
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Interested in Narcan training?

[Click here!](#)



## DETERRA BAGS

are the only products that are independently tested and scientifically proven to destroy drugs for good!

[Safe Storage & Disposal Information here](#)

### In September:

75 Fentanyl Test Strip Kits  
(10 strips in each kit)  
were mailed out.

291 Deterra bags

138 Narcan Kits

33 apps installed



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Addiction Resources:

[HelpsHereDE.com](http://HelpsHereDE.com)

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Scan to order  
Help is Here materials



Download the **FREE** OpiRescue Delaware app for step-by-step instructions to reverse an opioid overdose.