

## Governor Signs Bills into Law

Governor Mike Parson signed six Bills into law on June 16, 2022. These included:

- SB718 - Designates HBCU Week and modifies a provision regarding higher education. The bill also creates a workforce diploma program to help adults obtain a high school diploma and requires public higher educational institutions in the state to publish the new 988 mental health hotline number on the back of student IDs.
- SB799 - Modifies the offense of escaping from custody
- HB2162 - This bill establishes that the Director of the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) may issue a statewide standing order for an addiction mitigation medication, also known as Naloxone. Any licensed pharmacist may sell and dispense this addiction mitigation medication under a physician protocol or statewide standing order. A pharmacist acting in good faith and with reasonable care that sells or dispenses an addiction mitigation medication shall not be subject to any criminal or civil liability or professional disciplinary action for prescribing or dispensing such medication or for any resulting outcome. It shall be permissible for any person to possess an addiction mitigation medication. The bill also expands the number of departments that may access the state's opioid settlement funds, to also include the Department of Correction (DOC), the Office of Administration (OA), and the judiciary. This "Opioid Addiction Treatment and Recovery Fund" currently only applies to the Department of Mental Health (DMH), the Department of Public Safety (DPS), Department of Social Services (DSS), and DHSS to pay for opioid addiction treatment and prevention services and health care and law enforcement costs related to opioid addiction treatment and prevention.
- HB1472 - Modifies provisions relating to the offense of money laundering with the goal of giving law enforcement additional tools to curb human trafficking.

Read the press release with detailed descriptions of each bill [HERE](#)

## Roughly One Overdose Every 5 Minutes

It is estimated that more than 107,000 people died of a drug overdose in 2021, that is roughly one overdose death every five minutes.

"Dr. Nora Volkow, director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse, called the latest numbers "truly staggering."

A statement issued by The White House called this increase in overdose deaths "unacceptable". The rise in deaths has promoted the national drug control strategy which calls for treatment connections, drug trafficking disruptions, and increasing access to naloxone.

The provisional data also reports a 23% increase in fentanyl and other synthetic opioids-related overdose deaths, a 23% increase in deaths involving cocaine, and a 34% increase in deaths involving meth and other stimulants.

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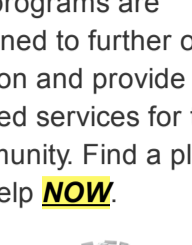
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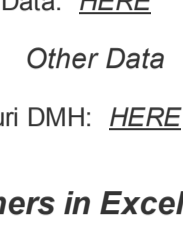
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Our programs are designed to further our mission and provide much-needed services for the community. Find a place to get help [NOW](#).



### Overdose Data

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NCHS Data: [HERE](#)

CDC Data: [HERE](#)

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[Other Data](#)

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## Safe Family Support Locator Launched

A safe family support online locator has been launched in partnership with the SAFE project and Partnership to End Addiction. This online tool is free and offered in English and Spanish and created for parents, families, friends, and co-workers of those who suffer from substance use disorders to find the support they need.

Read the article [HERE](#)

Safe Locator [HERE](#)

## National Drug Control Strategy

The first national drug control strategy was sent to Congress in April by President Joe Biden. The strategy is the first national plan to prioritize harm reduction; it calls for states to change laws and policies to support harm reduction expansion.

The types of harm reduction advocated by The American Medical Association include the over-the-counter availability of naloxone, fentanyl test strips, and clean syringe programs.

The strategy also includes:

- "Targeting the financial activities of transnational criminal organizations that manufacture and traffic illicit drugs in the United States."
- "Reducing the supply of illicit drugs smuggled across U.S. borders."
- "Improving data systems and research that guide drug policy."
- "Making sure the people most in danger of overdose can get evidence-based treatments, including people experiencing homelessness and those in prison or jail."
- The Strategy directs federal agencies to expand efforts to prevent substance use among school-aged children and young adults, and support community-led coalitions implementing evidence-based prevention strategies across the country
- It directs federal agencies to expand scientific understanding of the recovery process by establishing a federal recovery research agenda; adopting flexible, responsive approaches that help people with substance use disorder (SUD) find and follow a pathway to recovery or remission that works for them, and eliminate barriers and increase economic opportunities for people in recovery.
- It specifically calls for expanded and sustained funding of recovery housing and recovery support services, including the implementation of a 10 percent set aside of federal substance use block grant funds for recovery programs.
- Calls for the removal of barriers and expanding supportive services to help reintegrate people into society after incarceration.

Dr. Rahul Gupta, The White House drug czar said, "Everyone who wants treatment should be able to get it."

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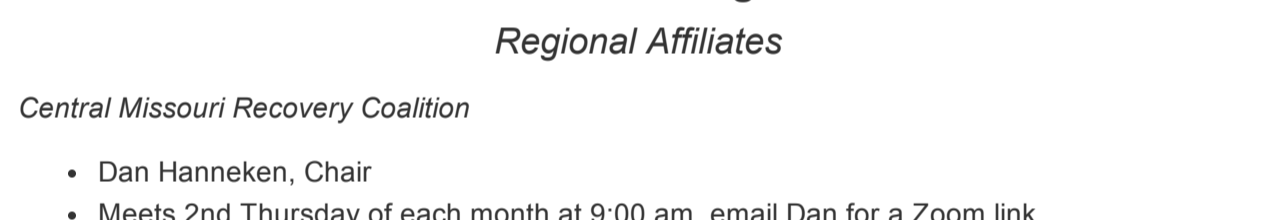
## SHOW ME RECOVERY: Stories of Recovery in Missouri

Most often the media focuses on the negative stories about substance use. Show Me Recovery will change that script and focus on the stories of recovery in Missouri. Introducing a project, led by Christa to focus on the positive stories of recovery in Missouri. This is a project a long time coming, it is now time to gather and tell the stories, your stories which will be featured on our website. Recovery is attainable, recovery is possible, and recovery happens every day.

Click [HERE](#) to submit your Show Me Recovery Story



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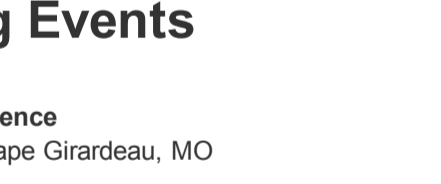
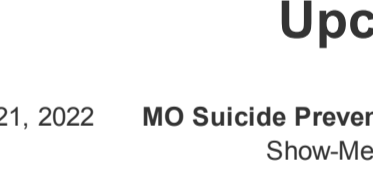
## MCRSP Affiliate Meeting Information

### Regional Affiliates

- Central Missouri Recovery Coalition**
  - Dan Hanneken, Chair
  - Meets 2nd Thursday of each month at 9:00 am, email [Dan](#) for a Zoom link
- Recovery Coalition of Greater St. Louis**
  - Pastor Marsha Hawkins-Hourd, Chair
  - Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month at 11:00 am, email [Marsha](#) for a Zoom link
- Kansas City Recovery Coalition**
  - Bobbi Jo Reed, Chair
  - Meets 1st Thursday of each month at 10:00 am, [Zoom Link](#)
- Recovery Coalition of the Ozarks**
  - Merna Eppick, President
  - Meets 1st Tuesday of each month at 9:30 am. [Zoom Link](#) - ID: 379 314 5419
- Southeast Missouri Recovery Alliance (SEMRA)**
  - Ronnie Sells, Chair
  - Meeting days and times are not available

### National Affiliates

- National Alliance of Recovery Residences (NAAR)**
  - Monthly open calls for national issue updates on the 1st Friday of each month at 10:00 - 11:00 am CT. Click [HERE](#) to register.
  - Monthly National Communities from 2:30 - 4:00 pm Central Time on the 2nd Wednesday of each month
- Association of Recovery Community Organizations (ARCO)**
  - Monthly open members call for national and other issue updates on the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 2:00 - 3:00 pm Central Time. Click [HERE](#) to register.



## Upcoming Events

- July 21, 2022 **MO Suicide Prevention Conference**  
Show-Me Center in Cape Girardeau, MO
- August 2, 2022 **Missouri Primary Election - Voter Registration Deadline 7/6/22**  
Register to vote online [HERE](#)
- August 11, 2022 **MCRSP/Central Missouri Recovery Coalition Conference**  
Stoney Creek Hotel (Columbia), 2601 South Providence Road, Columbia, MO  
Discounted room rate of \$95/night; reservations made by July 13.  
Click [HERE](#) for Conference Flyer  
Click [HERE](#) to Register for the Conference  
Click [HERE](#) to make a reservation.
- August 26-27, 2022 **5th Annual Intersection of Christian Beliefs and Recovery Seminar**  
Landmark Church, 204 Metro Dr., Jefferson City, MO 65109  
Click [HERE](#) for Conference Flyer and Registration Form  
Click [HERE](#) for Conference Agenda
- September 20, 2022 **National Voter Registration Day Partner**  
Register [HERE](#)
- October 2-5, 2022 **Faces and Voices Recovery/ARCO Recovery Leadership Summit**  
St. Paul Rivercentre Convention Center  
Register [HERE](#)
- October 24-26, 2022 **NARR National Summit**  
Richmond, VA
- November 8, 2022 **General Election Day - Voter Registration Deadline 10/12/22**  
Register to vote online [HERE](#)
- December 8, 2022 **MCRSP Leadership Meeting**  
Sikeston, MO
- December 9, 2022 **MCRSP/Southeast Missouri Recovery Alliance (SEMRA) Conference**  
City of Miner Convention Center, 2610 East Malone Ave., Sikeston, MO

If you have an event you would like to share please email [Christa](#)

## Training Opportunities

- Trauma-Informed Care Training - Missouri Department of Mental Health**
  - Reoccurring: [Register Here](#)
- Peer Specialist Training - Missouri Credentialing Board**
  - Reoccurring: Certified Peer Specialist [Register Here](#)
  - Reoccurring: Peer Specialist Supervisor [Register Here](#)
- Suicide Prevention Training - MO Depart. of Mental Health & MO Behavioral Health Council**
  - Reoccurring: [Register Here](#)
- Missouri Recovery Support Specialist Training - Missouri Credentialing Board**
  - Reoccurring: [Register Here](#)
- Ethics - Missouri Credentialing Board**
  - Reoccurring: [Register Here](#)
- Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs), Trauma & Substance Use Training - PreventEd**
  - June 23, 2022: [Register Here](#)
- Trauma-Informed Care (The Impact) - Psychiatry & Behavioral Health Learning Network**
  - June 28, 2022: [Register Here](#)
- Missouri Suicide Prevention Conference - MO DMH, MO Behavioral Health Council & Community Counseling Center**
  - July 21, 2022: [Register Here](#)
- Medication Awareness Recovery Specialist Training - Missouri Credentialing Board**
  - July 22, 2022: [Register Here](#)

If you have a training you would like to share please email [Christa](#)



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