



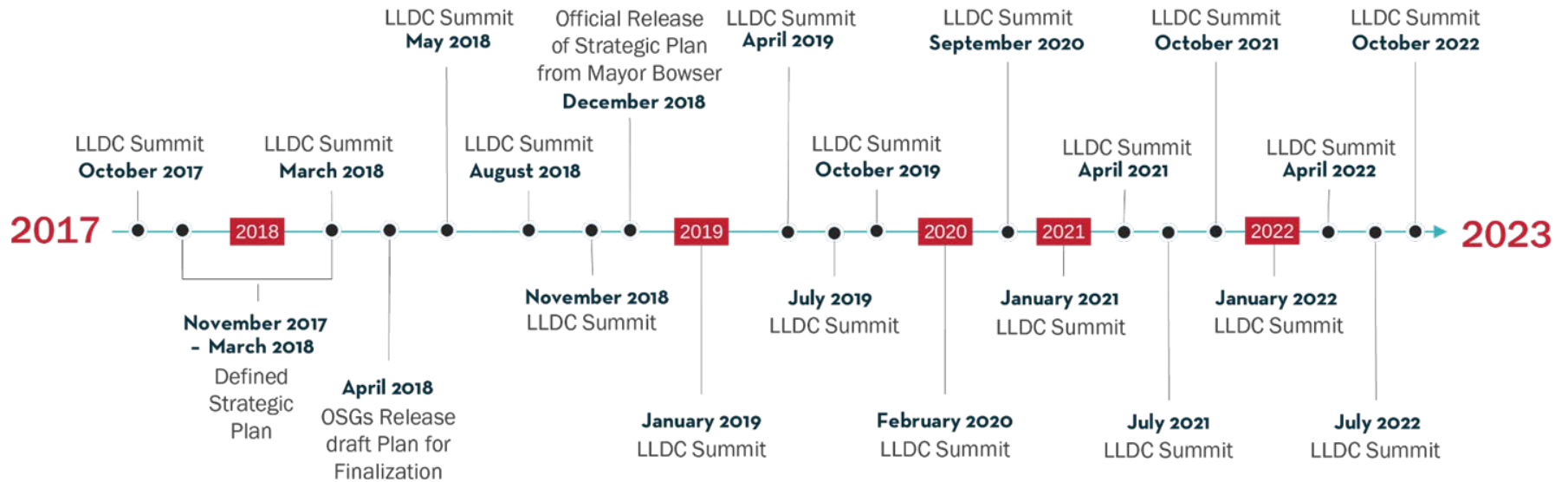
# LIVE.LONG.DC

## Stakeholder Summit

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October 26, 2022  
Summary Report

# LLDC Milestones



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## The District's Strategic Plan to Reduce Opioid Use, Misuse, and Related Deaths.

The LIVE.LONG.DC. (LLDC) Strategic Plan contains 49 strategies, organized across six (6) Opioid Strategy Groups (OSGs) that span the continuum of care. LLDC community members from across the District form a public-private coalition to collaborate on these strategies.

### OUR WORK

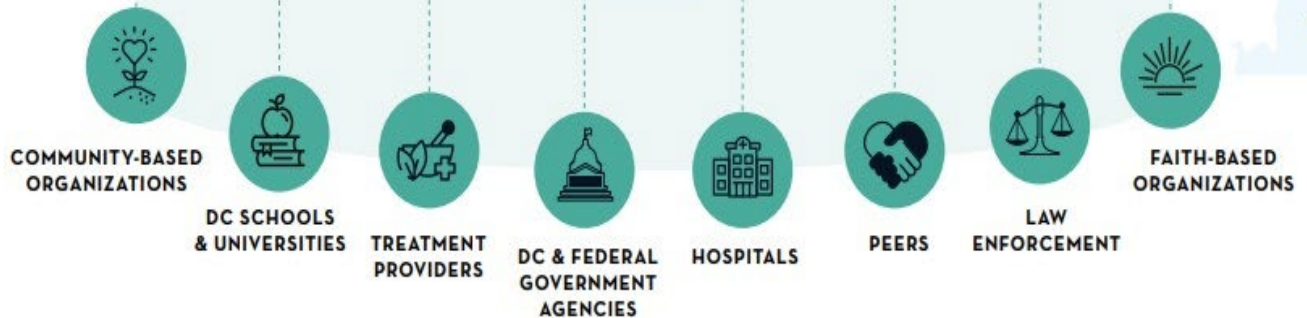
The OSG working groups plan, support, and execute on the work in the Strategic Plan. These groups are led by the LLDC Steering Committee.

Visit the [full plan here](#).



### OUR COMMUNITY

Hundreds of stakeholders from across the District, representing public, private, and community-based organizations work together within the OSGs in their area of expertise or interest, to deliver on the strategies.



# What You Need to Know. What We Need to Do.

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## PURPOSE

To convene the LIVE.LONG.DC stakeholder community in a forum of learning and action planning for executing strategies to save lives from opioid overdoses.

## OUTCOMES

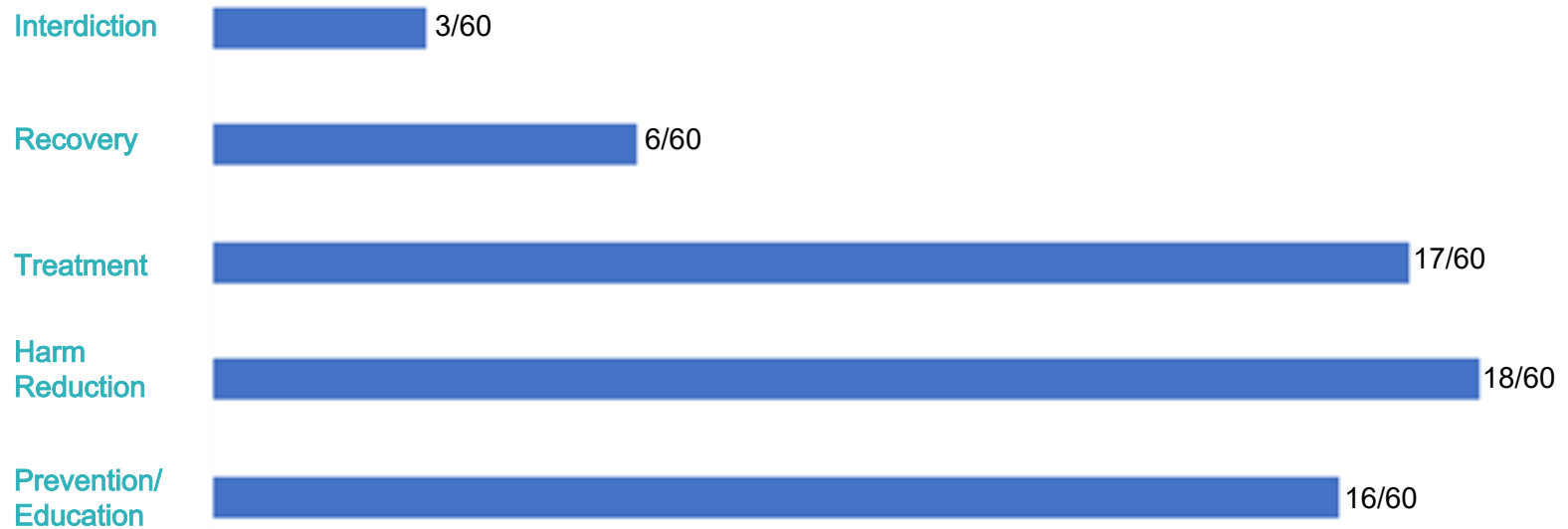
- Shared learning across the continuum of care for the LLDC stakeholder community
- Shared understanding of cross-agency and cross-organizational opportunities for collaboration and coordination

## AGENDA

1. Opening Remarks
2. Data Highlights
3. LLDC Communications Update
4. Harm Reduction Across the Continuum of Care
5. Opioid Strategy Group Breakouts
6. Closing Remarks

# Poll Question

Where do you primarily work within the LIVE.LONG.DC community?



## **Dr. Stephen Rasq** Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME)

### DC Fatal Overdose Trends

- Shared the 2022 overdose trends and deaths data, which can be found on the [LIVE.LONG.DC](https://www.live.long.dc) website.

## **Bailey Jones**, D.C. Department of Forensic Sciences

### Update on the Illicit Drug Supply in the District

- Presented supply data from its drug surveillance program and gave an overview of the changes in drug supply profiles that are being seen in DC, which can be found on the [LIVE.LONG.DC](https://www.live.long.dc) website.

## **Ben Turley**, DC Health

### The Overdose Landscape in DC: Geography and Demographics

- Reviewed the geographic and demographic overdose trends in DC, which can be found on the [LIVE.LONG.DC](https://www.live.long.dc) website.



# Social Marketing Update

Mike Bento, ENGAGE Strategies, provided a social marketing update that showcased the new marketing campaigns DBH launched in August 2022. The campaigns aim to:

- Invite individuals to **begin their treatment and recovery journey** again
- **Give hope** to active users and families who are discouraged by multiple previous attempts to stop or decrease drug use
- **Stress what's new and different** (i.e., new treatment options, new recovery support services, new care coordination, new peers and coaches)
- **Meet the urgent need to quit** with an urgent response (e.g., real time information on open clinics, MyRides)
- Raise awareness about the **presence of fentanyl** in other drugs (e.g., meth, cocaine, heroin)

**TREATMENT WORKS. RECOVERY IS POSSIBLE.**

**“This time, it’s different.”**

- ▶ Free substance use disorder treatment available 7 days a week
- ▶ Three medications to help
- ▶ Better coordinated treatment services
- ▶ Peer counselors who have been there
- ▶ Transportation, recovery housing, and more

When you are ready to try again, you can start right now.  
Text **READY** to 888-811 for a list of treatment sites that are open.

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Department of Behavioral Health  
and Human Services

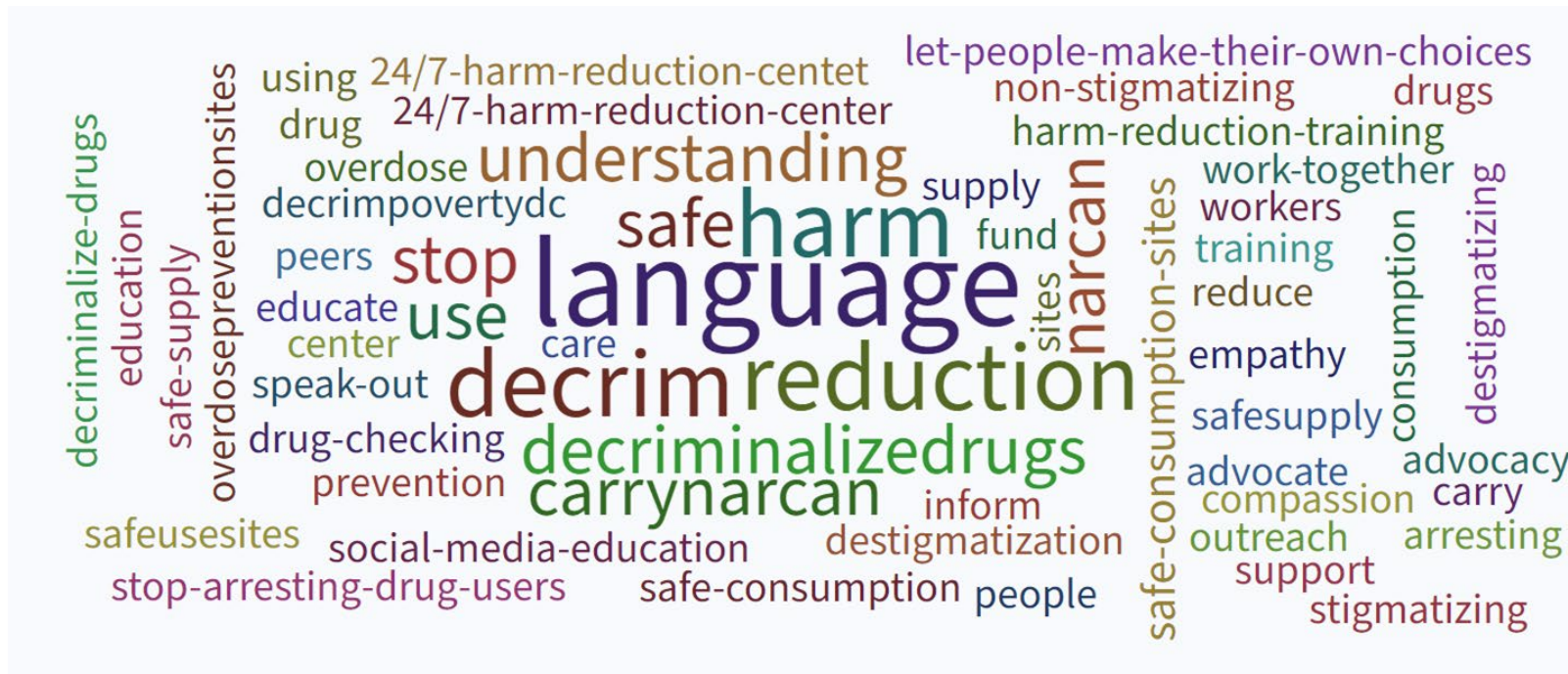


# Harm Reduction 101 Presentation

Prior to the panel discussion, Sari Frankel, DBH, presented “Harm Reduction 101,” which outlined:

- The principles of harm reduction
- What harm reduction is/is not
- Harm reduction as a continuum
- The roles of different members of the community in harm reduction efforts

Sari closed out her presentation by asking participants how they can commit to harm reduction going forward. Their answers are captured in the word cloud below:





# Harm Reduction Across the Continuum of Care Panel Discussion

George Kerr III, Westminster Church, moderated a discussion among the four panelists named below. Each panelist shared the following:

- What harm reduction looks like in the context of their work (criminal justice, prevention, recovery, treatment)
- Common harm reduction misunderstandings they face in their work, and how to address those misunderstandings
- What they are hoping to add to their programs and services moving forward

**Criminal Justice:** Dr. Beth Jordan , Department of Corrections

**Prevention:** Dr. Nura Green Lane , Wards 7&8 DC Prevention Center

**Recovery:** Sandra Sanders , Volunteers of America Peer Pathways DC

**Treatment:** Angela Wood , Family Medical and Counseling Services

**Prevention, Education, and Coordination** Preparing for Prescription Drug  
Takeback Day

**Treatment:** Harm Reduction Strategies in Treatment

**Recovery:** Multiple Pathways to Recovery

**Interdiction and Criminal Justice** Peer Specialist Support at Department of  
Corrections

## **Prevention, Education, and Coordination** *Preparing for Drug Takeback Day*

- DBH shared updates on getting naloxone in DC Public Schools (DCPS).
- Participants discussed the preparation for Prescription Drug Takeback Day.

## **Recovery:** *Multiple Pathways to Recovery*

- Participants discussed the principles of harm reduction and watched a video that showed harm reduction strategies and abstinence-based recovery was discussed.
- Participants engaged in an honest conversation around demystifying harm reduction and busting myths and misconceptions related to harm reduction, abstinence, and recovery.

## Treatment: *Harm Reduction Strategies in Treatment*

- Participants discussed the current gap in education for providers related to substance use disorder stigma and biases.
- Participants discussed the opportunity to create a curriculum to incorporate into regular training for all professionals who provide care to patients with substance use disorders.

The screenshot shows a Zoom meeting window with a Google Sheet titled "Treatment" open. The sheet contains a table with the following data:

Strategy #	Description	Frequency	Location
TR. 1	Develop and implement a model for initiating MOUD in emergency departments (ED), ensuring a direct path to ongoing care (via a warm hand-off from peer recovery coaches) that is patient-centered, sustainable, and takes into consideration the characteristics of the implementing health system.	Twice per year	DCHA-Eden Cunningham

Screenshot from the Treatment OSG's strategy mapping

# Opioid Strategy Group (OSG) Breakout Sessions Cont.

## Interdiction and Criminal Justice: *Peer Specialist Support at the Department of Corrections*

- Participants shared thoughts on promoting harm reduction in the justice system, including promoting alternatives to imprisonment, incentivising persons to become peer specialists, and removing barriers to becoming a peer specialist.
  - Additional ideas include more training for officers on Good Samaritan laws and properly funding outreach workers.

The screenshot displays a Zoom breakout session. On the left, a slide titled 'Interdiction and Criminal Justice: Peer Specialist Support at the Department of Corrections' is shown. The slide features a complex flowchart illustrating the process from community services to the Department of Corrections. The flowchart is organized into four main stages: Intercept 0 (Hospital, Crisis, Response, Peer, & Community Services), Intercept 1 (Law Enforcement & Emergency Services), Intercept 2 (Initial Detention & Initial Court Hearings), and Intercept 3 (Jails & Court). The flowchart details various services and entities involved, such as Crisis Lines, Crisis Stabilization, Police, Fire and Emergency Medical Services, Law Enforcement, and the Department of Corrections. A 'QA' box is overlaid on the slide, containing the text 'From Queen Adesiyi to Everyone'. On the right side of the Zoom window, a grid of video feeds shows several participants, including Jonathan Spector, Alexander Bradley, Jacquieline Williams, Imogene Thomas, Sherri Cox, and Kelsey Kent. The Zoom interface at the bottom includes controls for Unmute, Start Video, Participants, Chat, Share Screen, Record, Show Captions, Breakout Rooms, Reactions, Apps, Whiteboards, and a Leave Room button.

Slide from Interdiction/Criminal Justice breakout presentation





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