



State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis (STR)

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The Connecticut Healthy Campus Initiative (CHCI) is a catalyst for creating and sustaining healthy college campus and community environments. Members of the Connecticut Healthy Campus Initiative include individuals from campus-community coalitions throughout the state.

CHCI is a program of Wheeler Clinic's Connecticut Center for Prevention, Wellness and Recovery and is funded by the Connecticut Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services (DMHAS) with the support of the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA).

As part of the State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis (STR) grant, DMHAS developed a plan that creates a comprehensive network of prevention and intervention activities to reduce risk across the state, including college campuses. A Request for Proposals was released and 17 Connecticut institutions of higher education have received funding to implement on-campus activities that will positively impact the campus community environment, including: **information dissemination or training on medication safe storage and safe medication disposal; training for faculty, staff, and students on opioid overdose and Narcan administration; public awareness activities; and survey administration to assess the level of the problem on campus.**

Awarded campuses:

- Asnuntuck Community College
- Connecticut College
- Eastern CT State University
- Fairfield University
- Gateway Community College
- Housatonic Community College
- Naugatuck Valley Community College
- Norwalk Community College
- Quinebaug Valley Community College
- Sacred Heart University
- Southern CT State University
- Three Rivers Community College
- Trinity College
- University of Bridgeport
- University of New Haven
- Wesleyan University
- Western CT State University

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