

PREVENTION

in Higher Education

OVERVIEW: The South Dakota Department of Social Services, Division of Behavioral Health works with key partners to implement peer-to-peer, evidence-based opioid prevention programming on college and university campuses statewide through the use of the GenerationRx University open source curriculum.

KEY PARTNERS:

- University of South Dakota (USD)
- Other Institutions of Higher Education in South Dakota



BEGINNING JUNE 2019...

 Funding is available to institutions of higher education for **GenerationRx University** implementation

 More than **2,500 students** at USD will be impacted by GenerationRx programming beginning Fall 2019

 **25 peer mentors** will be trained to implement **GenerationRx programming** at USD

STRATEGIES

 Provide funding to all interested organizations of higher learning in South Dakota to implement the GenerationRx University peer-led, evidence-based training program on campus.

 Provide resources and guidance to university-based prevention programs to provide local town halls and awareness activities both on and off campus.

 Distribute DisposeRx packets to college and university students to safely and properly dispose of unwanted, unused or expired medications.

The Generation Rx University resources were created by college students, for college students, to help prevent prescription drug misuse on college campuses. These materials are designed for use in courses, student orientation, residence halls, sports, student organizations, or any other venue where college students live and learn.

PARTNERSHIP WITH UNIVERSITY

Coordinated by the Student Counseling Center and its prevention staff and graduate assistants, USD aims to impact at least 2,500 students through GenerationRx programming (presentations), and an estimated 3,500 students will be impacted by passive programming (e.g. booths, events). A total of 25 peer mentors will be trained to educate others on opioid misuse/prevention. In partnership with the USD Wellness Coalition, 40 community-based events will be hosted (e.g. coalition community events or GenerationRx events on the USD campus or in the Vermillion community).

If you or someone you know is struggling with opioid addiction - don't wait. Reach out.

www.AvoidOpioidSD.com
South Dakota Opioid Resource Hotline
1-800-920-4343

To learn more about GenerationRx or to inquire about funding, please contact DSS, Division of Behavioral Health at 605-367-5236.

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