

RURAL OVERDOSE STAKEHOLDER MEETING



Save the date
Monday, September 23rd
10am to 2:30pm

PAPPA JOHN
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CENTER
ROOM 208

AGENDA TO FOLLOW

Please RSVP to Ann Saba at ann-saba@uiowa.edu

ABOUT THIS PROJECT

The University of Iowa Injury Prevention Research Center (UI IPRC) seeks to create an information-sharing network with the goal of addressing drug misuse, abuse, and overdose in rural areas of Iowa. This project will build off a very successful previous UI IPRC project (2017) that gathered stakeholders across Iowa to identify policy and program priorities to address prescription opioid concerns in Iowa; identified next steps in addressing priorities; and identified ways to reach policymakers with priority recommendations. This project will highlight evidence-based strategies to address rural overdose deaths and inform change. Such strategies include standardizing clinical guidelines, improving surveillance, treating addiction, improving naloxone access, expanding harm reduction strategies and combating stigma (among others). The UI IPRC will seek input from stakeholders in Iowa via a stakeholder meeting to create a report based off the 2017 UI IPRC's report: *The Prescription Opioid Crisis: Policy and Program Recommendations to Reduce Opioid Overdose Deaths in Iowa*. Our 2019 report will reflect Iowa's priorities, and its results will be disseminated to leaders and policy makers across the state ahead of the legislative session.