

OFR Peer Mentor Sites

OFR peer mentor sites serve as models for individuals and teams interested in starting a program or for more established programs interested in learning innovative practices.

Indiana

Indiana's OFR program is managed by the Indiana Department of Health and is a county-level OFR program established in 2018. It is currently funded by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Overdose Data to Action grant.

Experience:

- State coordination of local sites
- OFR legislation
- 16 OFR teams throughout the state
- Coroner-based system
- Family interviews and psychological autopsies
- Experience with suicide and overdose deaths
- Collaborates across fatality review programs, including Maternal Mortality Review and Child Fatality Review, focused on youth suicides
- Community of Practice monthly call for all local

Ocean County

The Ocean County Overdose Fatality Review Program (OC-OFRP) is managed through the Ocean County Health Department in New Jersey and is a county-level program established in 2017. Starting in fall 2020, it became a funded program through the New Jersey Department of Health to continue the fatality review and to serve as a technical advisor to other fatality reviews in New Jersey.

Experience:

- County-level OFR
- No state OFR legislation
- Quarterly and annual reporting
- Follows RxStat Model (NY/NJ HIDTA) with strong executive and subcommittee models for action
- Health department-led with strong partnerships with prosecutor, behavioral health, and the medical examiner
- Family interviews and psychological autopsies
- Experience providing technical assistance to local sites

Philadelphia

Philadelphia's OFR is managed by the Philadelphia Department of Public Health and is a city-level OFR established in 2019. It is currently funded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance COAP grant.

Experience:

- City-level OFR initiative
- No state OFR legislation
- Centralized medical examiner office
- Cases are selected using a statistical model
- Next-of-kin interviews
- Case notes organized based on social determinants of health

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Utah

Utah's OFR is managed by the Utah Department of Health and is a state-level OFR established in 2017. It is currently funded by the CDC Overdose Data to Action grant with Opioid Response Strategy (ORS) involvement.

Experience:

- State-level OFR initiative
- OFR legislation
- Centralized medical examiner office
- Themed-case selection
- Summary reports
- Family interviews
- Convening different types of death reviews (including suicide, homicide, and maternal mortality)

Winnebago

Winnebago County's OFR is managed by the Winnebago County Health Department in Wisconsin and is a county-level OFR established in 2018. It is currently funded by the CDC Overdose Data to Action grant.

Experience:

- County-level OFR
- No state OFR legislation
- Summary annual reports
- Facilitated by an outside contractor
- Experience with suicide and overdose deaths
- Health department-led with connection to a local prevention coalition
- Separate recommendation and monitoring team and implementation task force
- Experience providing technical assistance to local OFR sites