



Community Drug Strategy in Action

The Issues

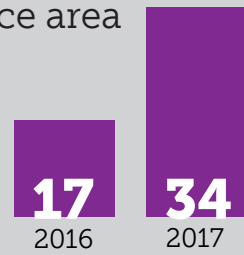
Drug-related deaths

8000+
CANADIANS



have died due to **opioid-related overdoses** between January 2016 and March 2018

Opioid-related deaths in the Public Health Sudbury & Districts service area



*2017 statistics are preliminary

Drug overdoses



391 Emergency Department VISITS

for **drug-related overdoses** in 2017.

This represents an **18.7%** increase since 2013.

Risk of infection with HIV and hepatitis C

In a 2010 study conducted with people who inject drugs in Sudbury,



64%

were **positive** for the **hepatitis C** virus.



On average,

108 cases of hepatitis C and **8** cases of HIV

are reported **each year** in Greater Sudbury.

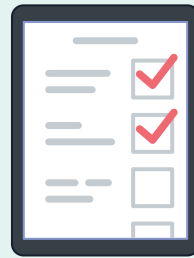
The Study

About the needs assessment and feasibility study

A study, set to be completed by Spring 2020, will determine whether or not supervised consumption services would be a solution for some of our drug issues in Greater Sudbury. The study will have three parts:



In-person interviews with people who use drugs



Online surveys for anyone living in Greater Sudbury



Focus groups with a variety of people who live, work, and offer services in Greater Sudbury

Options

What are supervised consumption services?

Supervised Consumption Services are controlled spaces where people can consume drugs under supervision in a clean and safe environment. People are provided sterile supplies and are supervised by trained staff including health care professionals. People who use the service can also receive basic medical care and referrals to other health and social services. Supervised Consumption Services can be one part of a broader community drug strategy that includes enforcement, treatment, harm reduction, and health promotion.

**In Ontario, Supervised Consumption Services are now referred to as Consumption Treatment Services.*

