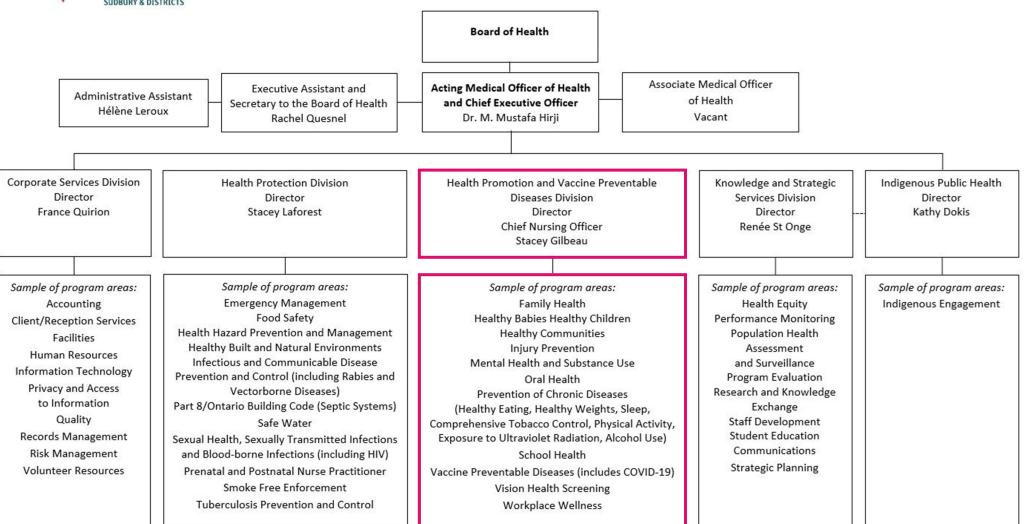
The toxic drug crisis and ongoing local efforts

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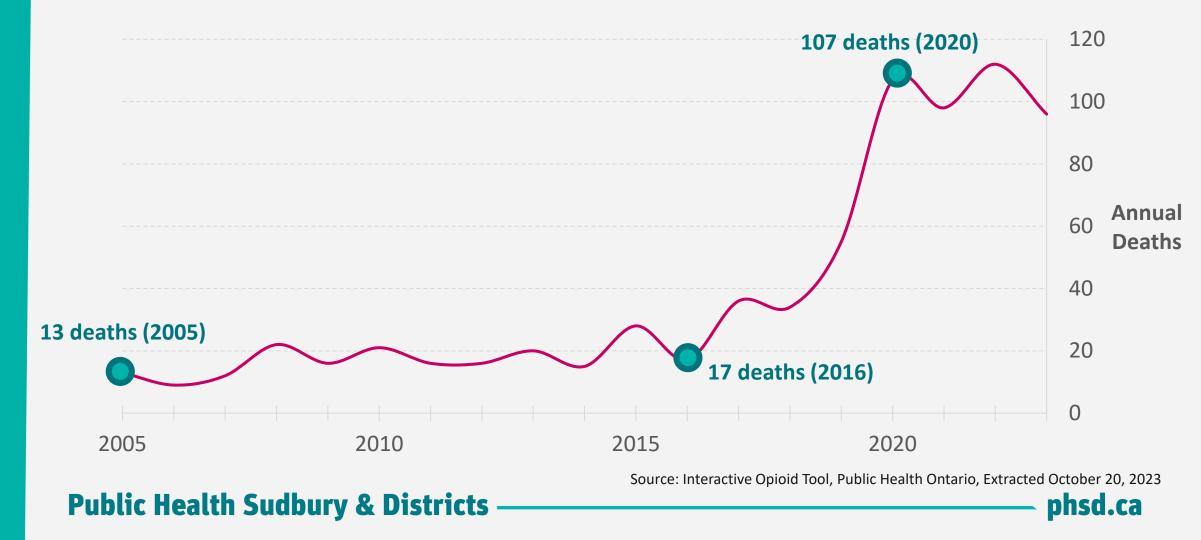
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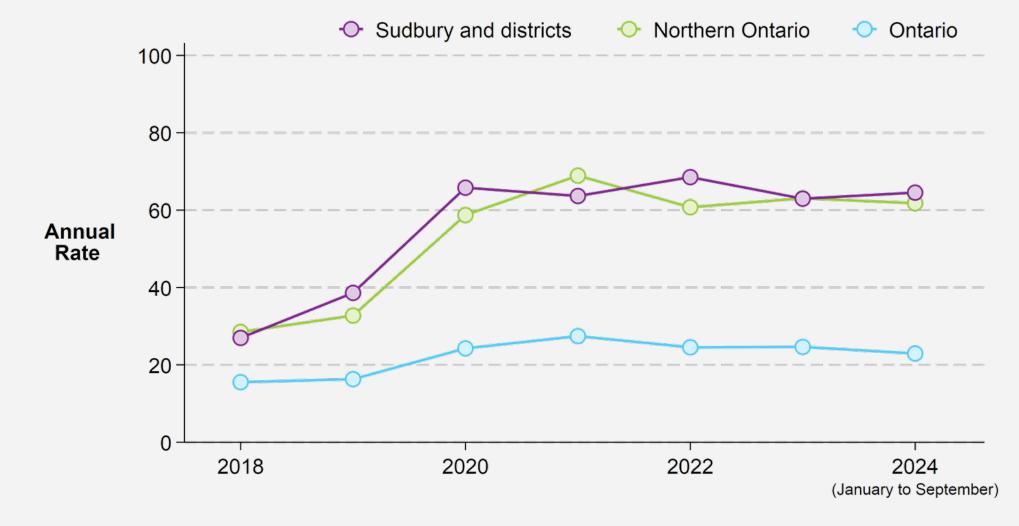


Local opioid-related deaths increased by over 500% from 2016 to 2020

Opioid-related deaths, by year, Sudbury and districts, 2005–2023



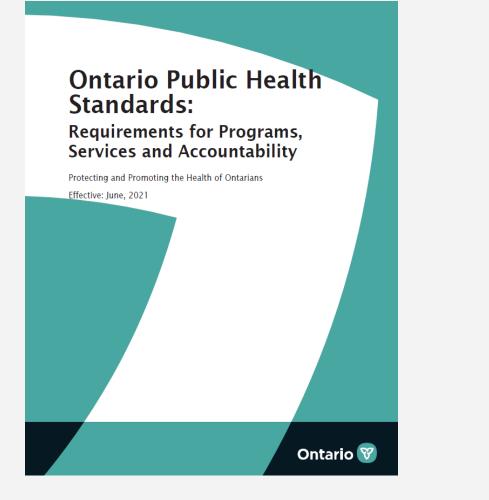
Annual rates of suspected drug toxicity deaths per 100 000 population, by geographic region, 2018-2024



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Board of Health responsibilities



Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

Substance Use Prevention and Harm Reduction Guideline, 2018

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Population and Public Health Division, Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care

Effective: January 1, 2018

Public Health Substance Use Programming

Evidence-based upstream health promotion

- Monitor trends and reporting
- Promote healthy public policy
- Work to end stigma and discrimination
- Address the underlying social determinants of health
- Provide leadership and coordination to Community Drug Strategies



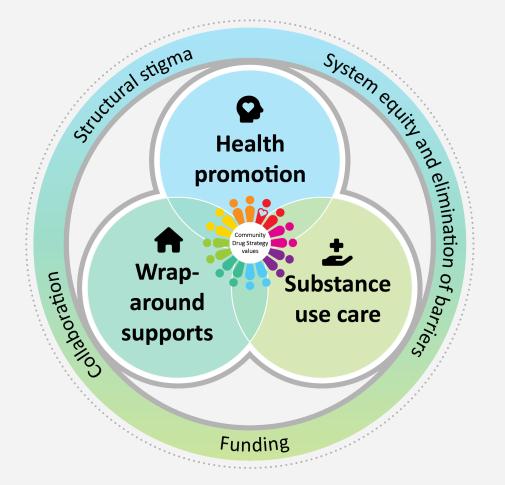
Community Drug Strategies



- A total of 4 Community Drug Strategies in Sudbury and districts:
 - Manitoulin
 - Lacloche Foothills
 - Sudbury East
 - Greater Sudbury



Community collaboration: The Greater Sudbury Summit on Toxic Drugs



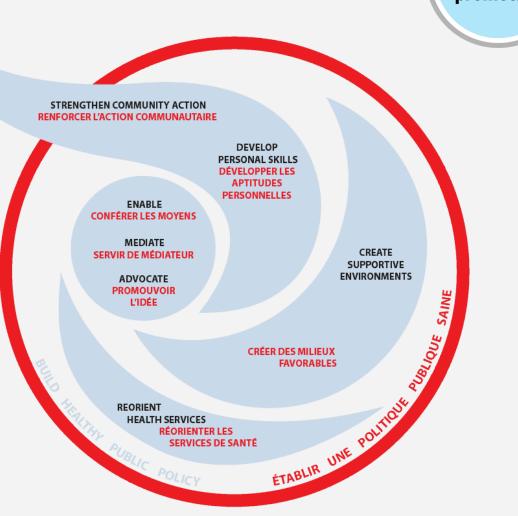


Health promotion stream

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The health promotion stream prioritizes

- youth engagement
- addressing stigma
- upstream interventions





Wrap-around supports stream



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The wrap-around support stream prioritizes

- transitional housing
- access to basic needs
- services across the lifespan

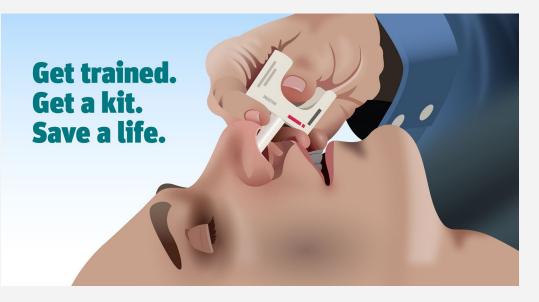


Substance use care stream

The substance use care stream prioritizes

- harm reduction and treatment approaches
- supervised consumption and safer supply
- systemic inequality and barriers to access







Understanding the challenges





The path forward



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Thank you. Merci. Miigwech.

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