

Heroin and Opioid Awareness & Prevention Resources

[Preventing Opioid Use and Abuse – Maryland State Department of Education](#)

The Maryland State Department of Education as collaborated with other state agencies to develop this resource site on heroin and opioid abuse to help students and parents identify and respond to signs of addiction and to access support services.

[Overdose Prevention in Maryland – The office of Governor Larry Hogan](#)

On March 1, 2017, Governor Larry Hogan signed an Executive Order declaring a State of Emergency in response to the heroin, opioid, and fentanyl crisis ravaging communities in Maryland and across the country. This declaration activates the governor's emergency management authority and enables increased and more rapid coordination between the state and local jurisdictions. Information about these initiatives and Maryland's response to this crisis can be found on these pages.

[Breaking Heroin's Grip: Road to Recovery – Maryland Public Television](#)

Breaking Heroin's Grip: Road to Recovery is a poignant and personal documentary shedding light on our region's pressing heroin problem. Told through the lens of adults that have experienced heroin's grip first-hand, viewers get an authentic look inside the complexities of this harrowing epidemic. The documentary was produced by Maryland Public Television in partnership with the [Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene](#).

[The Opioid Crisis in America – Harvard University Online Learning](#)

This free course challenges preconceptions about addiction and about who can become addicted to opioids. Across seven lessons, you will learn about the origins and spread of opioid use, misuse, and addiction. Experts also cover the appropriate ways in which this class of drugs can be used to treat specific pain conditions and the impact of opioid misuse on the individual, family, and community. While our course is not intended to serve as medical advice, you will learn about a wide variety of treatment options available to people with addiction.

[Heroin and Opioid Awareness & Prevention Toolkit – Maryland State Department of Education](#)

[How the opioid epidemic became America's worst drug crisis ever, in 15 maps and charts – Vox Media](#)