

144 a Day

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The Addiction Policy Forum is a diverse partnership of organizations, policymakers and stakeholders committed to working together to elevate awareness around addiction and to improve national policy through a comprehensive response that includes prevention, treatment, recovery and criminal justice reform.

We envision a world where fewer lives are lost and help exists for the millions of Americans affected by addiction every day.

The Problem

Substance abuse has had a devastating impact on families in the United States.

According to the Centers for Disease Control, 144 people per day die of drug overdoses while admissions to treatment for prescription opiates has increased 500 percent.

We can do better.

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In 2015, 21.7 million people in the United States needed substance use disorder treatment, but only 11% received it.

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Over 23 million Americans are in recovery from addiction to alcohol & other drugs.

700

Abuse of tobacco, alcohol, and illicit drugs is costly to our Nation, exacting more than \$700 billion annually in costs related to crime, lost work productivity and health care.

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Fifty percent of people incarcerated are classified as being dependent on drugs.

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Cassidy was one of the 144 people who die in our country each day from a drug overdose.

We can change this national epidemic. Find resources at 144aDay.org for addiction prevention, treatment, recovery support, and advocacy.

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Anthony was one of the 144 people who die in our country each day from a drug overdose.

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Terry and Annette suffered from opioid use disorder and like too many Americans, were taken from their family too soon.

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Dillan and Matthew were two of the 144 people who die in our country each day from a drug overdose.

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What if?

1. Healthcare integration
2. New medicines; access
3. Individualized treatment
4. Long term recovery support
5. Prevention
6. Help for families in crisis
5. Help for Pregnant women
6. Child welfare interventions
7. Criminal Justice

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