

Tackling Substance Abuse in Denver



1 THE FACTS



17% of Denver high schoolers report binge drinking in the past month

1 in 3 drug poisoning deaths in Colorado involve prescription opioids (pain killers)



2 WHY IT MATTERS



Nationwide, 12 to 20 year-olds consume 11% of all alcohol (the most often abused substance)

Opioid deaths can be averted: naloxone can prevent fatal opioid overdoses



3 WHAT WORKS

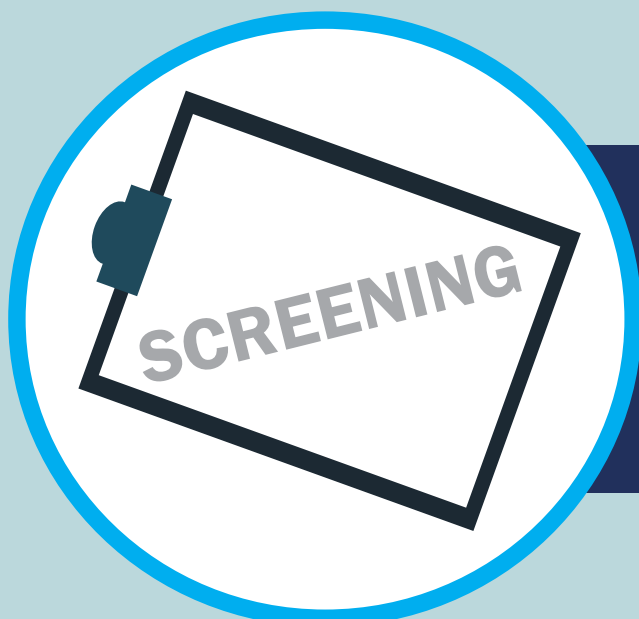


Ensure access to substance abuse treatment for Medicaid and uninsured individuals

Expand naloxone access beyond paramedics and emergency rooms



4 BE PART OF THE SOLUTION



Screen for substance abuse and use brief intervention tools

Increase awareness of and access to naloxone

