



PLYMOUTH COUNTY OUTREACH

The latest news and updates on overdose related incidents in Plymouth County, MA and how law enforcement and public health officials are tackling this opioid epidemic in real-time.

OVERDOSE STATISTICS 9/1/18- 0/30/18:



109 incidents



32 successful home visits*

**The outreach team made contact with a SUD, family/friend or both.*



76% non-fatal

8% fatal

16% at-risk*

**A loved one reported this individual due to concern of potential overdose.*

UPCOMING EVENTS:

National Drug Take Back Day October 27th



- *Plymouth: 9AM-2PM- New Testament Church, 1120 Long Pond Rd. Plymouth MA*
- *Brockton: 10AM-2PM- Council on Aging, 10 Father Kenney Way Brockton MA*

**Visit your local Plymouth County Police Department to safely dispose of unwanted/unused/expired prescription medications.*

PUBLIC HEALTH UPDATE:



The Massachusetts Department of Public Health has issued a public alert about a Hepatitis A outbreak. The state said most of the cases are in people experiencing homelessness and/or substance use disorders. It is important to raise awareness of the outbreak and encourage individuals to get vaccinated in order to help prevent the spread of Hepatitis A.

PCO SPOTLIGHT:

1. Congratulations to all of our Plymouth County Police Chiefs, DA Tim Cruz and Sheriff Joe McDonald who received an IACP/Cisco national award in Community Policing on October 9th in Orlando, Florida for PCOs unique approach to helping individuals with substance use disorders.
2. PCO is pleased to announce that we have received a 2 year, \$496,000 federal grant that will significantly improve the services provided by the group in the coming years. Congratulations to our police departments who have worked tirelessly to make this happen for our communities.

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