



PROJECT OVERVIEW

Standardized Indicators for Referral and Linkage to, and Retention
in Care for Substance Use Disorder

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Project Overview

Develop standardized indicators for referral and linkage to, and retention in care for substance use disorder

01

Purpose, objectives and activities

Develop a resource for recipients that integrates their experiences with current field-based knowledge.

➤ **This is NOT a new requirement**

02

Benefits to you

Peer-to-peer collaboration , learning acceleration, opportunity to inform future strategies

03

How you can help

Small groups, feedback, or periodic updates

04

Next Steps

Interview requests and small groups

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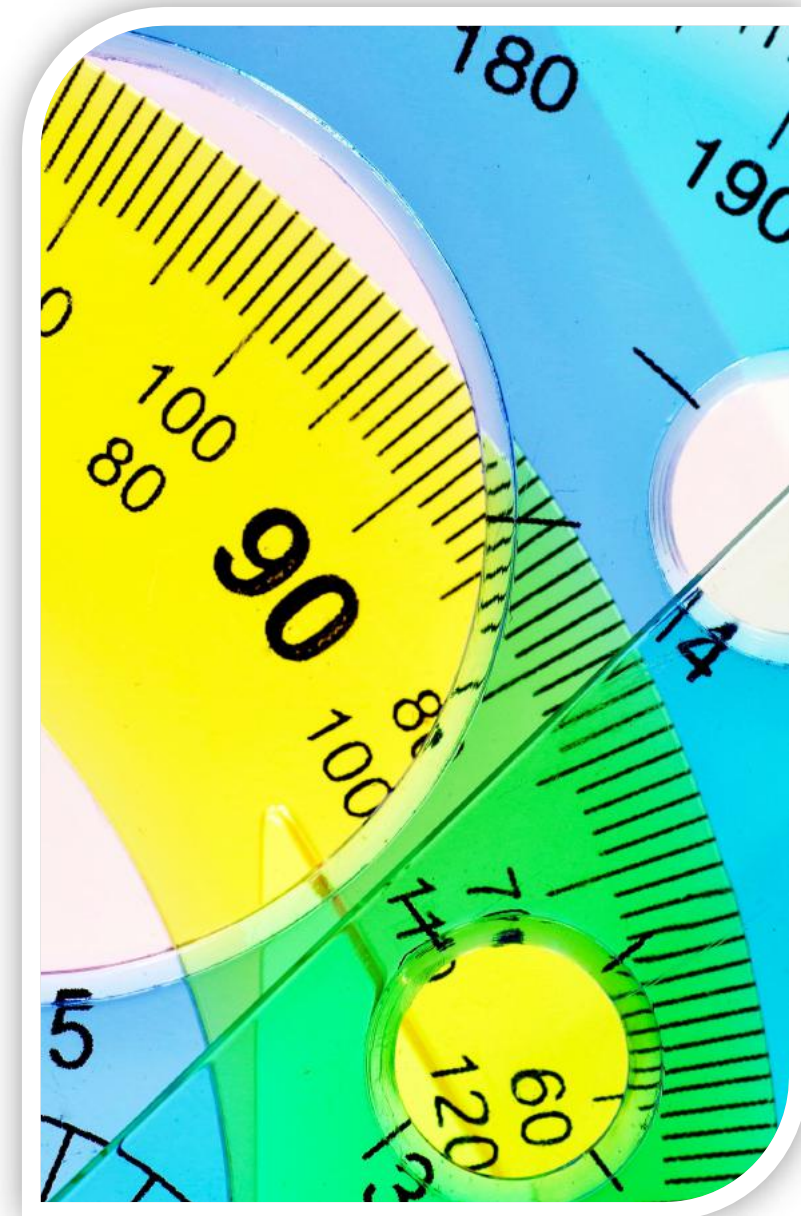
Standardized Indicators for
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Use Disorder
(Indicators)

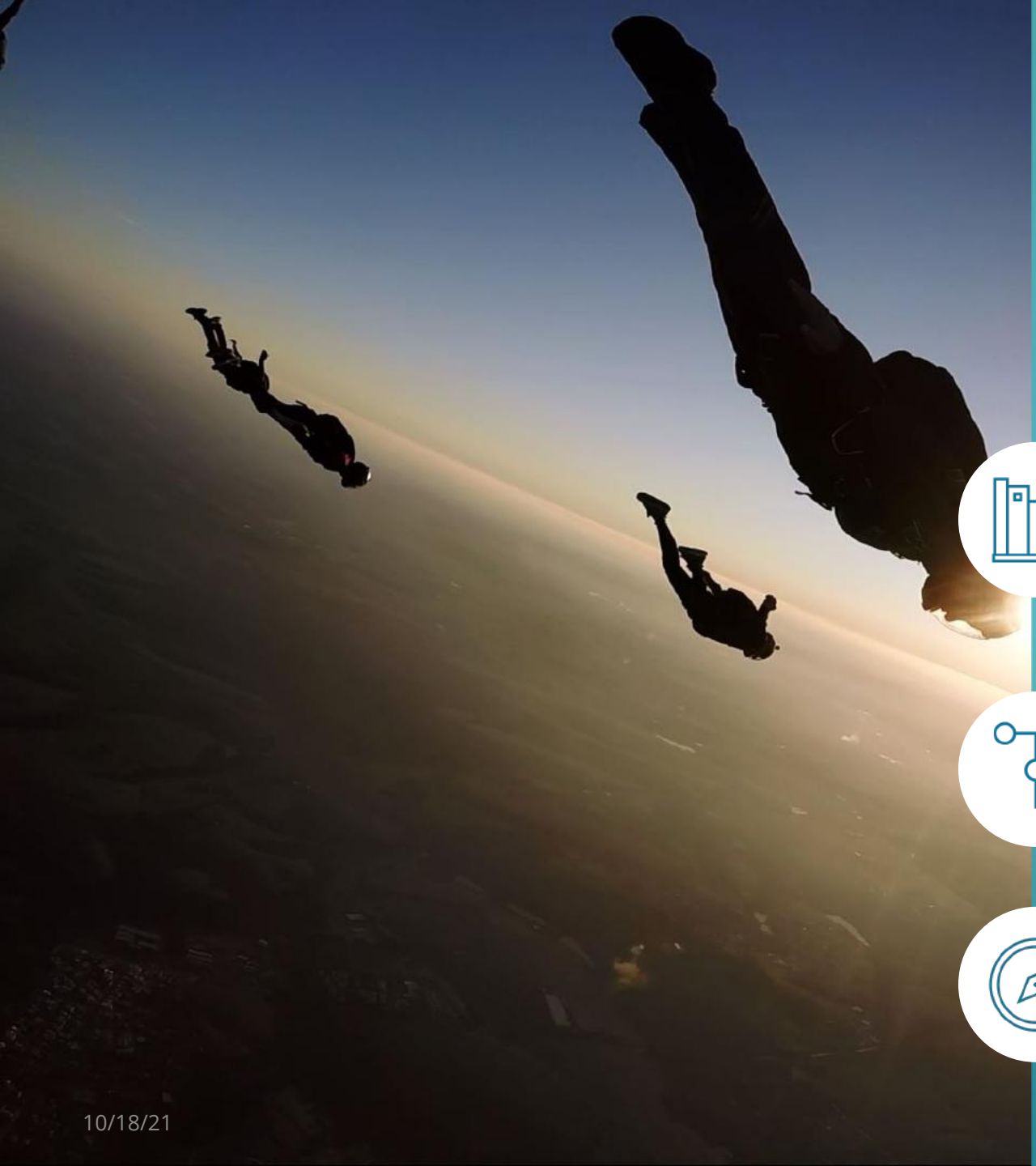
Purpose

Develop **a toolkit** to help
standardize indicators for referral
and linkage to, and retention in
care for substance use disorder

Objectives

1. Provide a resource to all OD2A recipients to enhance tracking linkage to care
2. Inform future drug overdose surveillance work
3. Document feasibility considerations and implementation guidance
4. Engage stakeholders in building a shared vision for measuring overdose continuum of care program success



A vertical split image. The left half shows three skydivers in silhouette against a bright, hazy sky at sunset or sunrise. The right half is a solid teal color.

Project Activities

The ultimate result of the Indicators project will be **a toolkit for use by OD2A grant recipients during Year 4 (9/2022 – 8/2023)**. The toolkit will be informed by three project activities.



Environmental Scan

A review of existing overdose referral and linkage to, and retention indicator work (including OD2A data products and success stories) and published examples from other public health “treatment as prevention” fields



Proposed Indicators

A standardized provisional indicator list, with descriptions and definitions, that is practical and accessible



Implementation Guidance

The toolkit will include the proposed indicators and implementation guidance with strategies to mitigate barriers, foster leadership buy-in, and engage staff.

Project Benefits

Provide a toolkit that is useful to enhance tracking of linkage to care efforts under OD2A



Collaborate

In small groups, share details with colleagues in other jurisdictions.



Learn

Accelerate learning with peers through discussion and sharing.



Inform

Help inform future strategies to advance data-driven decision making



Create

Help us create a toolkit that will have practical value to your colleagues nationwide.

Three ways to share your expertise, help this project serve your best interest, and maximize future benefit.

How You Can Help



Actively contribute

Small groups key topic focus; e.g., treatment indicators, data access, and implementation.



Feedback (*ad hoc*)

Opportunities to review and provide input on written documents.



Follow

Periodic updates on work in progress: draft indicator list, implementation guidance, and toolkit.

Key Take-Aways

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Enhance linkage-to-care tacking efforts

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Share expertise to max benefits

Small groups, feedback, or periodic updates

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Next Steps

Interview requests and small groups by end of year



Mahalo nui [Hawaiian trans.: thank you]



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