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NALOXONE SAVES LIVES

1662
NUMBER OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
RESCUERS ADDED
2959
NEW LAY RESCUERS ADDED
ACROSS VIRGINIA
5.6%
INCREASE IN NALOXONE
ADMINISTRATION RATE

IN 2018 THERE WERE
2446 HEROIN ARREST
4218 COCAINE ARREST
3483 METH ARREST

74,196
TOTAL DRUG ARREST IN 2018



OF THE NEW HIV CASES IN 2016, 893 OCCURRED IN
VIRGINIA; WITH 5% OF NEW CASES IN MALES AND 8.3%
OF NEW CASES IN FEMALES ATTRIBUTED TO IDU
(INJECTABLE DRUG USE)

NUMBER OF OVERDOSE DEATHS IN VIRGINIA



IN 2017, THERE WERE 1,241 OPIOID-RELATED OVERDOSE DEATHS IN
VIRGINIA—A RATE OF 14.8 DEATHS PER 100,000 PERSONS—COMPARED
TO THE NATIONAL RATE OF 14.6 DEATHS PER 100,000 PERSONS.

18,800 WORKERS LOST

FROM 1999 TO 2015, THE RISE IN OPIOID DEPENDENCY AND
RESULTING DECLINE IN PRIME-AGE LABOR FORCE
PARTICIPATION CUMULATIVELY COST VIRGINIA'S ECONOMY
OVER 250 MILLION WORK HOURS AND A LOSS OF 18,800
WORKERS AS OF 2015

2¢/1\$ PAYS FOR PREVENTION AND TREATMENT 85¢/1\$ DOLLAR PAYS FOR CONSEQUENCES

VIRGINIA SPENDS 11.1% OF ITS BUDGET ON SUBSTANCE USE,
HOWEVER ONLY 2¢/DOLLARS PAYS FOR THE PREVENTION AND
TREATMENT, THE MAJORITY PAYS FOR THE CONSEQUENCES OF
OUR FAILURE TO PREVENT AND TREAT.



BABIES IN VIRGINIA WERE BORN WITH NEONATAL ABSTINENCE
SYNDROME (NAS) WHICH IS CAUSED WHEN A BABY WITHDRAWS FROM
CERTAIN DRUGS THEY ARE EXPOSED TO IN THE WOMB BEFORE BIRTH,
A RATE OF 8/1000 BIRTHS IN THE US.



1 OUT OF 2 WHO EXPERIENCE A SUBSTANCE USE
DISORDER HAVE A CO-OCCURRING MENTAL ILLNESS

498,929 Adults in Virginia have a
substance use disorder

87.6%

OF PEOPLE IN VIRGINIA SUFFERING FROM DRUG
DEPENDENCE OR ABUSE GO UNTREATED.

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