

La Crosse County Heroin and Other Illicit Drug Task Force

The goal of this effort is to create a self-sustaining coalition or task force of community stakeholders to identify and implement community-based strategies that reduce the public health burden of heroin and other illicit substance use in La Crosse County. Our intention to pilot this initiative is to:

- Save and protect lives
- Reduce illegal and prescription drug substance misuse
- Improve overdose interventions
- Improve early intervention to treatment and recovery
- Provide education to the community about heroin and prescription drugs
- Reduce the burden on the Criminal Justice Programs

Meeting schedule:

The task force meets on the fourth Thursday of the month from 1-2:30pm. Please check on meeting locations as they may change. The task force operates using guidelines of Robert's Rules and has appointed/nominated members. The public is welcome to attend meetings and public comment is accepted.

For more information:

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Visit the La Crosse County Heroin and Other Illicit Drug Task Force website at the following link for prescription drug drop off box locations, presentations, meeting minutes, agendas, and more at:

<http://www.lacrossecounty.org/hTaskForce.asp>

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