# What is the Great Lakes PTTC Network?

The Great Lakes Prevention Technology Transfer Center (Great Lakes PTTC) is located at the UW-Madison Center for Health Enhancement Systems Studies. We are funded by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) to provide training and technical assistance services to the substance abuse prevention field including professionals/pre-professionals, organizations, and others in the prevention community.

# Our Goals

The Great Lakes PTTC will provide high-value training and technical assistance targeted to local needs in Health and Human Services Region 5.

The goals of the Great Lakes PTTC are to:

* Accelerate the adoption and implementation of evidence-based substance abuse prevention practices.
* Heighten the awareness, knowledge, and skills of the workforce.
* Develop strategies for delivering culturally-informed care with diverse practitioners, researchers, policymakers, family members, and consumers.
* Increase access to publicly available, free-of-charge training and technical assistance for the prevention services field.

# Areas We Will Address

* Increase in alcohol poisonings and suicides in rural communities
* Overdose rates linked to emerging substances such as fentanyl and meth, across populations
* Training gaps in supplying and administering naloxone
* Developing tools and training for community-level prevention professionals, focused on evidence-based preventions to address emerging drug use patterns
* Reducing stigma to increase individual and community engagement in prevention activities
* Training of new prevention workers
* Support for prevention professionals who are increasingly expected to operate with a broader focus on behavioral health, strategic planning, and community-driven prevention efforts

# Prevention Areas of Expertise

# Naloxone education

# Overdose training

# Anti-stigma training

# When Our Services Will Be Available

Funding for this 5-year project began on September 30, 2018.

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