Origins of the Amplifier Suite for Public Health and Public Safety Partnerships

Welcome to the Amplifier Suite for Public Health and Public Safety Partnerships. This resource is designed to supplement the “Public Health and Safety Team (PHAST) Toolkit”, an organizing framework to support local jurisdictions in navigating data-sharing and coordinated overdose prevention with law enforcement and public health departments.

Through a cooperative agreement with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) engaged seven sites, varying in population size and degree of urbanization across the United States, to pilot the PHAST Toolkit (version 2.0) with their pre-existing public health and safety teams. During the pilot period, the sites actively addressed overdose crises in their communities through collaborative partnerships between local health departments, law enforcement personnel, first responders, and other sectors. For six months, each site committed to piloting the PHAST framework within their collaborative. They were provided ongoing technical assistance, access to resources, and subject matter experts through a variety of modalities. At the conclusion of the pilot process and informed by pilot sites, the technical assistance team developed this series of resources to address barriers to progress.

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