Barren River District Health Department

Harm Reduction & Syringe Exchange Program

Through our program, 62,231 dirty needles have been kept off the streets from August 2016 to September 2019.

- We operate 2 of the 63 syringe exchange programs servicing Kentucky.
  - Warren County Health Department (Plus Mobile Exchange)
  - Barren County Health Department

18.4% of our clients come from areas outside of Warren Co.

- 302 is the average number of needles each client has returned* for the duration of the program.
- Our program serves 206 unique clients.
- Naloxone kits have been given out to 105 individuals from April 2019 to September 2019.
- 60.7% of our clients say they use or have used some form of tobacco products.

57.3% of clients say they use drugs 3-5 times a day.
- 24.3% say they use drugs 1-2 times a day.
- 9.2% say they use drugs 6-8 times a day.
- 8.2% say they use drugs 9+ times a day.

- 2.9% of clients have been screened for hepatitis C at an SEP visit.
- 9.2% have been tested for HIV at an SEP visit.
- 27.2% admit to sharing needles and other supplies at their initial visit.
- 63.6% said they have overdosed when asked at their initial visit.
- 66.0% said they have been in recovery at some point.
- 60.2% say their drug of choice is methamphetamine.
- 50.0% say their drug of choice is opiates.

*N: Some of the clients use more than one drug (i.e., same person can/will be counted more than once if applicable, therefore percentages will not add up to 100%)

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*This infographic uses data through September 2019.