# Community Addiction and Recovery Effort (CARE)



CARE from Addiction to

Recovery

## Opioid Epidemic by the Numbers

In 2016...

- 116 people died everyday from opioidrelated drug overdoses
- 11.5 million people misused prescription opioids
- 42,249 people died from overdosing on opioids
- 2.1 million people misused prescription opioids for the first time
- 17,087 deaths attributed to overdosing on commonly prescribed opioids
- 948,000 people used heroin
- 2.1 million people had an opioid use disorder
- 19,413 deaths attributed to overdosing on synthetic opioids other than methadone
- 170,000 people used heroin for the first time
- 15,469 deaths attributed to overdosing on heroin
- \$504 billion in economic costs

Source: www.hhs.gov/opioids

#### COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH TO RECOVERY

On a national level, the opioid epidemic has led to the deaths of several hundred thousand lives. According the Center for Disease Control (CDC), on average a 115 Americans die every day from an opioid overdose. The circumstances of the epidemic have only gotten worse due to the emergence of synthetic opioids, like fentanyl, being mixed with other illegal opioids, like heroin, without the user's knowledge. Small amounts of these synthetic opioids can be fatal, especially to unknowing individuals.

Traditional approaches to combating this epidemic, such as continuously arresting individuals that have shown signs of opioid addiction, have proven to be ineffective in the long run. The Village of Arlington Heights and community organizations, tailored towards opioid recovery, have partnered to combat this epidemic in the Arlington Heights community. Community Addiction and Recovery Effort (CARE) is the byproduct of this partnership and focuses on the long-term health of the individual battling opioid use disorder and/or addiction.

The Village of Arlington Heights' Health & Human Services, Police and Fire Departments, along with Linden Oaks Behavioral Health at Northwest Community Hospital, Live4Lali, and Omni Youth Services are the founding organizations of CARE and are committed to creating a comprehensive approach to opioid recovery for the residents of Arlington Heights.

Everyone's path to recovery differs. Through our communal approach, we can offer resources that most closely fit each individual's unique needs. Please visit www.vah.com/CARE for more information.

#### **Eligibility for CARE:**

- Residency in Arlington Heights
- If under 18 years old, MUST have consent of a parent or legal guardian
- Participation is voluntary

# For entry into CARE or for questions regarding treatment options for opioid use disorder and addiction, please contact or visit:

- Linden Oaks Behavioral Health Unit at Northwest Community Hospital 847-HEALING (432-5464)
- Live4Lali
   844-584-5254
- Omni Youth Services 847-353-1500
- Village of Arlington Heights Health & Human Services Department 847-368-5792 (Se habla Español)
- Arlington Heights Police Department 200 E. Sigwalt St Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Arlington Heights Fire Department Fire Station 2—1150 N. Arlington Heights Rd Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week
- Northwest Community Hospital Emergency Room
   800 W. Central Rd
   Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

# Entry into CARE includes the following services for eligible participants, regardless of financial means:

- Screening
- Assessment
- Identification of available treatment options

If cost is a barrier to treatment, please contact the Village of Arlington Heights Social Services Division and ask about the counseling subsidy program 847-368-5792

## **CARE Referral Tracking Form Case Number Abused Substance** (Check All That Apply): Opioids Alcohol Benzodiazepines Other Means of Referral Consensual Encounter \_\_\_\_\_ Call for Service Family Request Personal Request **Patient Information** Male Female Age \_ **Initial Interaction with CARE** Linden Oaks Omni Youth Health & Human Services AHPD Live4Lali\_\_\_\_ AHFD\_\_\_\_

### **Partnering Agencies**





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