

## LOUD in the ED

Learning about Opioid Use Disorder  
in the Emergency Department

# Turn up the Volume on Opioid Use Disorder Care in Your Emergency Department



**21%** of people diagnosed with OUD have **first contact** with the medical system through the EDs in BC



**32%** of people with OUD are **readmitted** to the ED within 30 days



While overdose deaths are decreasing, **overdose events are increasing**



**Survivors of overdose are at high risk** for acquired brain injuries and other long-term complications



Overdose deaths remain unacceptably high

## You are being recruited to improve OUD care in the ED to:

- ↑ patients being offered evidence-based care
- ↑ long-term outcomes for patients
- ↑ access to care in the community
- ↓ readmission rates
- ↓ ED workload
- ↓ negative interactions with the health care system

Sign-up now on the sheet 

Need more info? Contact [loud@bcpsqc.ca](mailto:loud@bcpsqc.ca)

*Pre-launch informational webinars: January 23 and February 4, 2020*

Your team coordinator will be in charge of sending your details on to the Regional Response Teams who are part of the LOUD in the ED Steering Committee

## What is a learning collaborative?

Quality improvement initiative spanning 22 EDs



Teams from different EDs all work on the same problem at the same time, focusing on their specific needs



Webinars are used to provide learning content from speakers and experts



Team meetings will help you decide what changes you want to try out as you work towards improving OUD care in your ED



In-person learning day in Vancouver will allow you to learn from others experiences and champion effective changes across regions

## What is the time commitment?

- Pre-work with your specific ED team: February - March 2020
- Virtual launch day webinars
- One-hour webinar every two to four weeks: March - September 2020
- Team meetings monthly with your department
- In-person learning day in Vancouver: April 22, 2020
- Virtual closing celebration: September 2020

## Who should be on your team?

- Any combination you would like! Suggested minimum: one physician, one nurse and one other team member of any discipline
- Four to seven members to accommodate schedules if possible
- Three team members will be funded to join the all-day collaborative session in Vancouver
- Teams should have the authority to make decisions for the department or have the support of decision makers

