Substance Use and Harm Reduction Webinar Takeaways

Key Takeaways

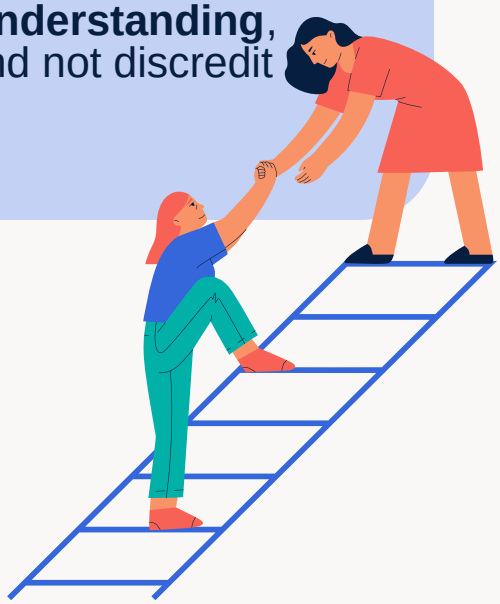
Young people have the lowest access to treatment, despite a growing need for substance use services.

Care with, and within, the young person's community is vital.

Coordination of care between different systems is critical before, during, and after treatment to ensure sustained progress.

The **court system can support youth by knowing the available substance use resources** in their county, and by connecting youth with harm reduction and treatment.

All youth want and need compassion and understanding, and adults who will listen and follow through and not discredit youth.



Resources

- Bridge to Treatment resources
- National Harm Reduction Coalition resources
- Public Health Institute: Strategies to Reduce Youth Overdoses
- National Overdose Prevention Network resources
- NEXT Distro: An online and mail-based harm reduction service