The 12 months ending June of 2021 saw the largest number of drug overdose deaths ever reported. Unfortunately, the opioid crisis has worsened during the COVID-19 pandemic due to social isolation and increased mental health impacts.

A new National Institute of Environmental Health Sciences (NIEHS) publication, “Initiatives to Prevent Opioid Misuse and Promote Recovery Friendly Workplace Programs,” includes summaries of opioid training conducted by organizations funded by the NIEHS Worker Training Program. It also highlights training programs, toolkits, resources, and initiatives from other agencies and organizations.

An estimated 63% of people who are misusing prescription opioids are working; therefore, there is an urgent need to ramp up opioid/substance use prevention, training, and interventions in the workplace.

Webinar objectives:
• Provide an overview of the new NIEHS Opioid Initiatives publication.
• Learn what organizations are doing in the fight to prevent substance use disorder and to implement recovery friendly workplace programs.
• Learn how to use the document to kick start your own substance use disorder prevention or recovery friendly workplace program.

English/Spanish interpretation will be available during this webinar.
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