

## Technical Assistance Collaborative Community Learning Series Webinar Highlights Technical Assistance Collaborative Overview | September 29, 2023

### What is the Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC)?

- Partnership between **Michigan State University**, the **University of Michigan**, and **Wayne State University** in collaboration with **Michigan Department of Health and Human Services**
- **Goal:** Provide technical assistance and expertise to communities receiving opioid settlement funds
- **Focus:** Evidence-based, best practices to reduce opioid overdose deaths

### What We Do



**Guidance for Fund Utilization:** Offer planning and process-level guidance to communities for effective use of opioid settlement funds



**Education and Training:** Provide opportunities for community members to enhance their awareness and understanding of opioid-related issues



**Community Needs Assessment:** Identify specific community needs related to opioid misuse, treatment, prevention, and harm reduction strategies



**Ongoing Assessment:** Ensure community needs are continually evaluated and addressed throughout the duration of the opioid settlement fund allocation period

### Opioid Settlement in Michigan

- Settlement funds will be distributed over an 18-year period, starting in January 2023
- 50% of the settlement funds will be directly allocated to county and local governments
- 70% of the funds must be dedicated to future opioid remediation efforts
- Settlement payments must be used for opioid remediation

### Connecting with the TAC

#### County Government The Michigan Association of Counties:

<https://micounties.org/opioid-settlement-resource-center/>

**Email:** [dolinky@micounties.org](mailto:dolinky@micounties.org)

**Phone:** (847) 309-4340

#### City and Township Government

**Email:** [MDHHSOpioidSettlementHelp@michigan.gov](mailto:MDHHSOpioidSettlementHelp@michigan.gov)

**Phone:** (517) 420-4978

#### MDHHS Settlement Website:

[www.Michigan.gov/Opioids/OpioidSettlements](http://www.Michigan.gov/Opioids/OpioidSettlements)