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Placer-Nevada Rx Drug Safety Coalition



OCTOBER IS HEALTH LITERACY MONTH

October is Health Literacy Month. CDC defines health literacy as "the degree to which individuals have the capacity to obtain, process, and understand basic health information and services needed to make appropriate health decisions." Placer-Nevada Rx Drug Safety Coalition seeks to play a role in improving health literacy by:

- providing and promoting educational resources and statistics about drug safety
- creating links between individuals and health professionals to facilitate communication about better health practices
- serving as a guide for people seeking treatment or drug safety resources in our community

[Learn more](#) about how a bill called H.R.1185 could support more effective communication about prescription opioids and improve health literacy!

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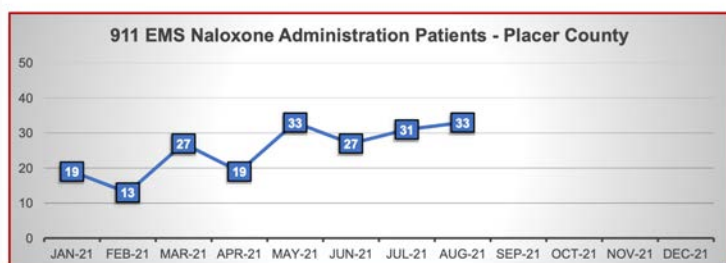
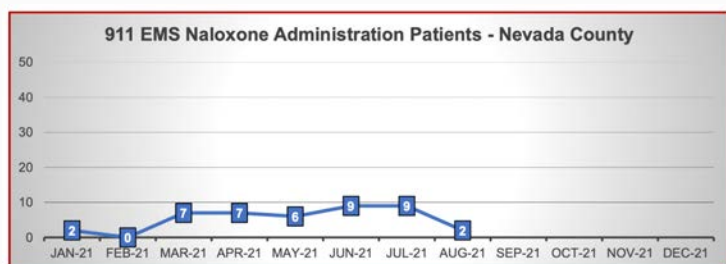
Read below to check out several great educational opportunities and current events regarding drug safety in our community.

- Click [here](#) to check out upcoming trainings offered by CABridge, including an upcoming webinar on polysubstance use.
- Check out [this](#) article highlighting the effectiveness of the CABridge buprenorphine administration model in emergency departments.
- The next DEA Drug Takeback Day is October 23rd! Get ready to dispose of unwanted medications to keep our community safe. Learn more [here](#).
- **The next Rx Drug Safety Coalition Meeting is October 14th, 2021 at 11:30am.**

NALOXONE ADMINISTRATION

Get informed about recent naloxone utilization in our region and counties. Naloxone is a life-saving opioid overdose reversal drug. Check out the images below from the Sierra-Sacramento Valley EMS Data Report to review recent trends in our counties, and click [here](#) to view the entire report.

Help us prevent overdose deaths by learning how to obtain naloxone **today**, [here](#).



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