The Opioid Crisis and the impact on children and families: A System of Care approach
2.1 million

116

504 billion

948,000

170,000 for the first time

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2017; 2016 National Survey on Drug Use in Households
Among women who struggle with opioid abuse, 86% of pregnancies are unintended. 14 - 22% of women fill an opioid medication prescription during pregnancy.
How frequently is a child born with NAS?
Answer:

Every 19 minutes, an opioid addicted baby is born in the United States.
Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACES)
His score is 4

Without Intervention he is 4.7 times as likely to use DRUGS and 7.4 times as likely to be an ALCOHOLIC when he grows up.
Number of Children Placed in Out-of-Home Care

(SOURCE: ADOPTION AND FOSTER CARE ANALYSIS AND REPORTING SYSTEM)
In Florida in 2010, a person with heroin poisoning showed up at a hospital emergency room about every two days.

In 2015, it was one every 90 minutes.
Palm Beach County Opioid Headlines
System of Care Approach to addressing the Opioid Crisis through Collective Impact Palm Beach County, FL
Communication: Who are our Stakeholders?

- Law Enforcement
- Treatment & Medical Centers
- Medical Examiner
- Treatment & Medical Centers
- Families
- Hospitals
- Faith Based
- Courts
- Housing
- Families
- Hospitals
- Faith Based
Delray Beach: 79% decrease (19 vs. 4) in 1st quarter 2018
Source: Delray Beach Police Department

Palm Beach County: 62% decrease in 1st quarter 2018
Source: Palm Beach County Medical Examiner
How Can You be a Catalyst for Change?

- Trauma-informed services
- Strength-based programming
- Opportunities for peer networks
- Be a constant in someone’s life
- Support others in pursuit of goals