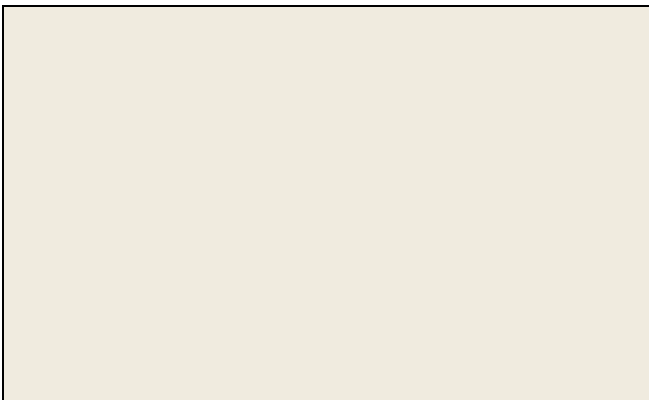
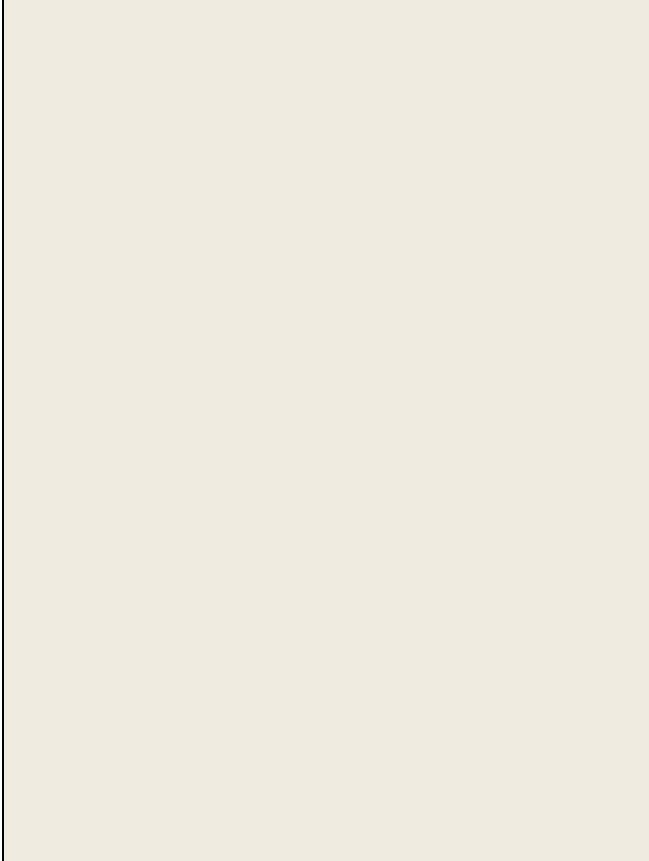


Partner Updates as of March 25, 2020

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<p>News Update #1 Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey – Toronto specific data</p> <p>The Toronto specific OSDUHS data is being analyzed and will be available as dashboards that will soon be available in the TPH website.</p>	<p>The Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey (OSDUHS) is a survey of over 10,000 grade 7 to 12 students in Ontario, run by the Centre for Addiction and Mental Health (CAMH). The survey collects information about health and substance use, including physical and mental well-being, and perceptions, awareness and use of alcohol, tobacco and drugs.</p> <p>In 2019, Toronto purchased an over sample to be able to calculate Toronto specific estimates of alcohol , tobacco and drug use as well as health indicators, risk perceptions and behaviors .</p> <p>(Here's the link to more details about OSDUHS : Ontario Student Drug Use and Health Survey - CAMH)</p>
<p>News Update #2 TPH produces up to date Population Health Status Indicator (PHSI) Dashboard.</p> <p>New health topic areas are regularly added to the PHSI dashboard site. We encourage partners to regularly visit the site to access the most up to date PHSI dashboards.</p>	<p>The PHSI dashboard is an interactive data visualization tool that provides highlights and key information on population health status indicators for the City of Toronto. These surveillance indicators help to meet the requirements of the Ontario Public Health Standards and to support TPH's mission to reduce health inequities and improve the health of Torontonians.</p>
<p>News Update #3 Current Active Surveillance TPH is actively monitoring two current population health issues of importance:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Deaths to People Experiencing Homelessness 	<p>*Death data on people experiencing homelessness are summarized and reported in aggregate form and updated every six months and posted on the SEU website. The posting is now using Tableau instead of static HTML</p> <p>Epidemiologically, the information will be used to gain a truer understanding of the number of deaths in the homeless community and potentially identify year to year, seasonal, geographic and other trends related to this population.</p>



•Toronto Overdose Information System



Suggestion(s) for a collaborative project

TPH welcomes all of the OCHPP partners to collaborate with SEU in using the newly released Toronto Health Status Report to help inform their decision-making.

The information will help raise awareness of these tragic deaths and help with the development of appropriate strategies to help improve the health of this vulnerable population, thereby helping to reduce health inequities in Toronto.

Toronto Public Health is collaborating with the Toronto Overdose Early Warning and Alert Partnership to provide timely information on overdose activity, with a current focus on opioids.

Data provided in the Information System include:

- Weekly number of suspected opioid overdose calls received by Toronto Paramedic Services
- Substance-related emergency department visits at Toronto hospitals
- Annual number of deaths from opioid toxicity causes
- Monthly and Weekly visits to the supervised injection service
- Weekly new admissions to provincially-funded drug treatment centres by presenting problem substance

TOIS is also now using Tableau instead of static HTML.

Links and resources

[T.O. Health Check: An Overview of Toronto's Population Health Status](#)

[Population Health Status Indicator \(PHSI\) Dashboard](#)

[Deaths to People Experiencing Homelessness](#)

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