

ECHO Idaho

Opioid Addiction and Treatment

WHAT'S IN IT for PARTICIPANTS?

Participants in ECHO Idaho receive free Continuing Professional Development credits and have access to expert support during ECHO sessions.

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OPIOID ADDICTION

- **3.9 percent of Idahoans** aged 12 years and older reported nonmedical use of prescription pain relievers in 2014 (data from the National Survey on Drug Use and Health)
- **Opioids are the second-most abused** illicit drug, after marijuana (Idaho Department of Health and Welfare)
- **Opioid abuse is the focus of Idaho's governor** and specifically called out in the Idaho Opioid Misuse and Overdose Strategic Plan, 2017-2022.

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What is Project ECHO?

Project ECHO (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) is a learning and guided practice model unique in its hub-and-spoke knowledge-sharing networks, led by expert teams (hubs) who use multi-point videoconferencing to conduct virtual clinics with community providers (spokes.) In this way, primary care doctors, nurses and other clinicians learn to provide excellent specialty care to patients in their own communities.

What is ECHO Idaho?

Idaho's ECHO program focuses on opioid addiction and treatment. Experts in treatment provide regular sessions on a variety of associated topics. For a full list of sessions, visit uidaho.edu/echo. ECHO Idaho is administered by the University of Idaho and the WWAMI medical education program, in partnership with the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare and the Statewide Healthcare Innovation Plan (SHIP).

Who can participate in ECHO Idaho?

- Any primary care provider who wants to improve their opioid management skills can become a "spoke" site (individually or as a team). Other health professionals can also join. We ask community participants to participate in the research that we need in order to document the benefits of ECHO Idaho.
- Once community partners feel confident and skilled in patient management, they will be empowered to become resources in their community for other primary care providers.

What is expected of participants?

- Present patient cases and participate in case discussion
- Participate in didactic presentations
- Complete the pre- and post-questionnaire
- Participants complete periodic surveys evaluating practice style, knowledge and self-efficacy to receive your continued education credits



People need access to specialty care for their complex health conditions.



There aren't enough specialists to treat everyone who needs care, especially in rural and underserved communities.



ECHO trains primary care clinicians to provide specialty care services. This means more people can get the care they need.



Patients get the right care, in the right place, at the right time. This improves outcomes and reduces costs.