

ADVOCATES FOR OPIOID RECOVERY

It's time to rewrite the prescription on opioid treatment.

Drug overdose is now the leading cause of accidental death in America. With so many lives at stake, this epidemic demands our attention. Our current treatment system for opioid addiction in America stubbornly relies on obsolete information and beliefs about addiction and recovery. New science has revealed that opioid addiction is a chemical, DNA-driven disease of the brain to which many people are genetically predisposed.

OUR MISSION

Advocates for Opioid Recovery (AOR) is an organization dedicated to **advancing a science-based, evidence-based treatment system** that can reduce death and suffering from opioid addiction, and produce more long-term opioid addiction survivors who are positively engaged with their families and communities.

Every 8 minutes
a person dies from an opioid
use disorder related fatality

175
American lives lost daily to
opioid overdose

400%
rise in opioid addiction and
overdose since 2000

AOR STRATEGIC PILLARS

Recovery education

**Real disease
requires real
medicine**

Eliminate the stigma surrounding the disease of addiction and evidence-based recovery treatment

Improve insurance

Parity now

Remove insurance barriers to meaningful evidence-based treatment, including comprehensive MAT that includes counseling and social support

Expand treatment capacity

**Treatment not
tragedy**

Expand evidence-based treatment capacity, including the number of providers medically trained to provide recovery medication

Criminal justice reform

**More patients,
less prisoners**

Promote evidence-based treatment in the criminal justice system

Government advocacy

**Inform policy
with science**

Improve government policy making to support evidence-based recovery treatments



Community Action Project