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## Community Partners Discuss Harm Reduction at Virtual Lunch and Learn Winnebago Recovers: Substance Use and Opioid Response Series

OSHKOSH, Wis. (March 14, 2022) – Community partners will be talking about the importance of harm reduction strategies to prevent overdoses in Winnebago County on Tuesday, March 15, from noon to 1 p.m. The discussion is presented by Breakwater, Winnebago County's substance use prevention coalition, as part of their Winnebago Recovers Lunch and Learn Series. Speakers at this Tuesday's event include: Chief Kurt Leibold, UW-Oshkosh Chief of Police; Amanda Tennyson, prevention specialist at Vivent Health; and Danielle Florence, community health strategist at the Winnebago County Health Department. Register for the virtual lunch and learn at [wchd.pub/wcrecovers](http://wchd.pub/wcrecovers).

"Harm Reduction is a vital piece of keeping our community safe and healthy," said Danielle Florence, community health strategist with the Winnebago County Health Department. "We hope this lunch and learn will highlight the work being done to meet people where they are, keep people who use drugs safe and prevent more overdose deaths."

The Winnebago County Recovers Lunch and Learn Series is free and open to everyone. The series features six topic areas on substance use and the opioid response in Winnebago County. Harm reduction is the third part of the series and will include discussion on the local tools available to reduce the risk of overdose, such as access to sterile syringes, fentanyl test strips and Narcan.

All events are held virtually on Tuesdays from noon to 1:00 p.m. Dates and topics for the series can be found below:

- March 15: Harm Reduction
- March 29: Treatment
- April 5: Recovery & Housing
- April 12: Peer Support

Community members can register for the entire series or just the dates or topics they are interested in by visiting [wchd.pub/wcrecovers](http://wchd.pub/wcrecovers).

If you unable to attend the live lunch and learns or would like to view previous topics, the series is recorded and can be found at [wchd.pub/winnebagorecovers](http://wchd.pub/winnebagorecovers). Prior topics include resource navigation, family and friend support, and an overview of Breakwater.

If you have any questions, or want more information on Breakwater or substance use in Winnebago County, please contact the Winnebago County Health Department at 920-232-3000, or visit [www.breakwaterwi.org](http://www.breakwaterwi.org).

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