

Codebook for Overdose Data to Action: Overdose Prevention Center Legislation

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This codebook describes the variables in a dataset that details state legislation authorizing overdose prevention centers. This is a longitudinal dataset displaying bills introduced between January 1, 2019, and January 1, 2023. The jurisdictions selected for measurement are all 50 states, District of Columbia, and four U.S. territories.

There are four standard variables in every ASTHO dataset. They are:

JURISDICTION

This is a dropdown selection in each coding form. It includes the jurisdictions coded in the dataset.

EFFECTIVE DATE

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is the most recent effective date of the legal text captured for this place. The effective date represents the date the policy coded was put into effect.

VALID THROUGH DATE

This date (MM/DD/YYYY) is either the last date a law or policy was in effect prior to an amendment or the last date the researcher confirmed the law or policy was in effect during the research process.

LEGAL TEXT

This is a text box that captures all legal text relevant to the coding questions. This will not download into Microsoft Excel.

AN IMPORTANT NOTE ABOUT THE STATISTICAL DATA PAGE

This codebook should be used in conjunction with the statistical data extract that can be downloaded from the dataset homepage by clicking on the Data button. The value labels defined below will correspond with the coded responses you will see on the Statistical data page. Coding questions that are not answered will show as a period (“.”) in the Excel cell. Coding questions can be intentionally not answered, such as when a state does not have a law and the coder therefor leaves the remaining coding answers as unanswered.

Questions	
Question 1:	Has there been legislation considered to authorize an overdose prevention center between January 1, 2019 – January 1, 2023?
Question Type:	Binary – Mutually Exclusive
Variable Name 1:	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 1.1:	What was the bill's number?
Question Type:	Text Field
Variable Name 1.1:	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_BillNumber
Question 1.2:	When was the bill introduced?
Question Type:	Date Field
Variable Name 1.2:	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Intro
Question 1.3:	What was the last active status of the bill?
Question Type:	Categorical - Mutually Exclusive
Variable Name 1.3:	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Status
Variable Values:	0, 1, 2, 3, 4, 5
Value Label:	0 = Introduced
Value Label:	1 = Passed first chamber
Value Label:	2 = Passed second chambers
Value Label:	3 = Failed - sine die
Value Label:	4 = Vetoed
Value Label:	5 = Enacted
Question 1.4:	What was the date of the last action?
Question Type:	Date Field
Variable Name 1.4:	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Last Action
Question 1.5:	If legislation was considered, was the overdose prevention center a pilot project?
Question Type:	Binary – Mutually Exclusive
Variable Name 1.5:	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Pilot
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

Question 1.6:	Did the legislation require law enforcement authorization before operating?
Question Type:	Binary - Mutually Exclusive
Variable Name 1.6:	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_LawEnforcement
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 1.7:	Did the legislation require local government approval before operating?
Question Type:	Binary - Mutually Exclusive
Variable Name 1.7:	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_LocalGovt
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Question 1.8:	What services are overdose prevention centers required to provide?
Question Type:	Categorical - Check all that Apply
Variable Name 1.8(A):	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Services_Syringe Exchange
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Variable Name 1.8(B):	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Services_Fentanyl Test Strip
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Variable Name 1.8(C):	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Services_Naloxone
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Variable Name 1.8(D):	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Services_Referrals to Treatment for Infectious Disease
Variable Values:	0, 1
Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes
Variable Name 1.8(E):	HarmReduction_OPC_Legislation_Services_Referrals to Treatment for Substance Use Disorder
Variable Values:	0, 1

Value Label:	0 = No
Value Label:	1 = Yes

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