



July 11, 2024

Dear Florida Department of Health,

It is with great pleasure that I send you this annual report to update you on our progress at the IDEA Syringe Services Program (SSP) in Alachua (through June 30, 2024).

There are now 13 people enrolled at the IDEA SSP. We have conducted 33 client syringe exchange visits in which we collected 2730 used syringes and distributed 1720 new sterile syringes (that is, we have taken in 1010 more syringes than we have given out). We have performed anonymous HIV rapid testing on a total of 5 individuals and have an HIV positivity rate of 0.00% of those who agree to test with our program. We have performed anonymous Hepatitis C virus (HCV) rapid testing on 4 individuals, with 100.00% testing HCV positive of those who agree to test with our program. Linkage to care for our participants living with HIV and HCV is a top priority. Our collaboration with Grace Clinic, UF Homeless Outreach & Street Medicine Program, and the Florida Department of Health on linkage to care for HCV positive participants has been very successful.

Our efforts to distribute Naloxone has continued to have dramatic impact on overdose mortality in Alachua and beyond. We have distributed 21 boxes of Narcan, and have 0 reported overdose reversals. Additionally, 0 individual participants have been linked to treatment for substance use disorder (detox, residential, outpatient, or medication-assisted treatment).

The following table illustrates the basic demographics of program participants to date.

All my best,

Miranda Matthews
Director of Operations
IDEA Exchange Alachua

Enrollment Demographics (through June 30, 2024)	Total
Hispanic	2 (16.67%)
Non-Hispanic or Latino	10 (83.33%)
Non-Hispanic White	9 (69.23%)
Non-Hispanic Black	1 (7.69%)
Asian	0 (0%)
Native American	0 (0%)
Pacific Islander	0 (0%)
Multiracial - Not Hispanic	3 (23.08%)
Male	5 (38.46%)
Female	8 (61.54%)
Neutral	0 (0%)
Transgender- Female to Male	0 (0%)
Transgender- Male to Female	0 (0%)
Mean Age	44.8
18-24	0 (0%)
25-29	0 (0%)
30-39	3 (23.08%)
40-49	7 (53.85%)
50-59	1 (7.69%)
60+	2 (15.38%)

Aggregate SSP Data (July 01, 2023 - June 30, 2024)	Total
Number of new participants enrolled	13
Number of unique participants served	13
Number of used syringes/needles received	2730
Number of clean/unused syringes/needles distributed	1720
Number of linkages to drug counseling or treatment	0
Number of participants referred for drug counseling or treatment	0
Number of participants tested for HIV	5
Number of participants linked to HIV treatment	0
Number of participants tested for hepatitis C (HCV)	4
Number of participants linked to HCV treatment	4
Number of naloxone kits distributed	21
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