



# 2018 North Sound Regional Opioid YOUTH SERVICES FORUM REPORT

On September 12<sup>th</sup>, 2018, 110 regional partners came together to **EXPLORE** the path to Opioid Use Disorder for youth and young adults, **CONNECT** with others, and **ENVISION** innovative ideas to make the system work better for youth and families.

## FORUM

### RECOMMENDATIONS INCLUDE:

- ◆ Implement evidence-based **Prevention** for all children. (**Start early!**)
- ◆ Get help for **At-Risk Youth** early (Wraparound, Advocates, long-term support).
- ◆ Create **School-Based Services** (intervention, treatment) in every school.
- ◆ Support an innovative **“Whole-System”** approach.
- ◆ Provide **Medication-Assisted Treatment** to all youth with OUD **on demand**.
- ◆ Bring services to **Families** (like Family Navigators, Wraparound services).
- ◆ Engage **Communities** to surround youth with compassion & support.
- ◆ Invest the **Funding** needed to support youth and families in our community.
- ◆ Change the culture to reduce **Stigma**.
- ◆ Create an online **Information HUB** to make resources accessible.
- ◆ Find more ways to support those in **Recovery**.
- ◆ Increase understanding of the impact of **Trauma**.
- ◆ Advocate for **Statewide Standards** for coroner testing and reporting to track opioid deaths.

***STAY TUNED FOR MORE DETAILS! THE NORTH SOUND OPIOID PLAN GROUP WILL BE SENDING OUT A LIST OF PLACES AND WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN THE NEAR FUTURE!***



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