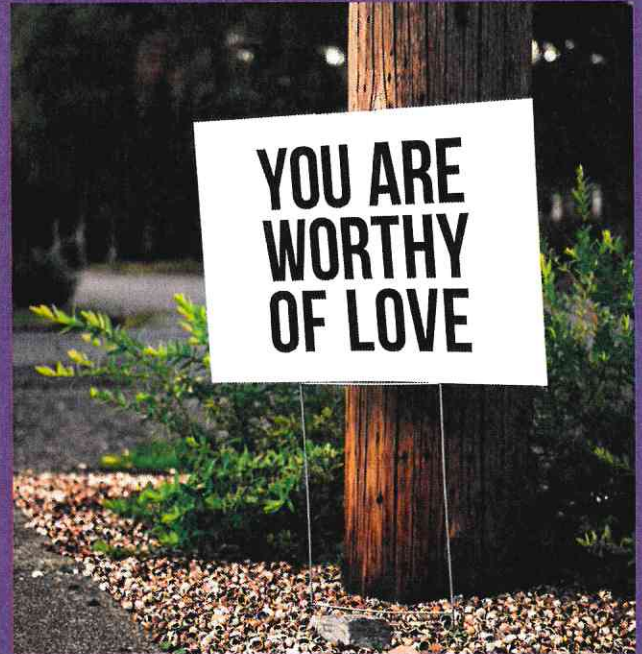


PRIME+ peers work with people who are at risk of or receiving treatment for overdose, infection, and other health issues related to substance use.

WHY PRIME+?

Oregon is widely affected by opioid and methamphetamine use and harms, including overdose and infections (such as hepatitis C) related to injection drug use. Oregon Health Authority funds organizations around the state to implement the PRIME+ peer program to **connect people in need of support to resources, services, and care.**

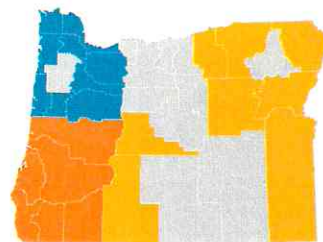


WHAT IS PEER SUPPORT?

Peer support is about understanding another's situation empathically through shared experience. PRIME+ peers support people at varying stages in their recovery journey—from active use to abstinence—using a harm reduction approach. Peers support people to reach self-identified goals for health, well-being, and quality of life.

WHO ARE PRIME+ PEERS?

PRIME+ peers are in long-term recovery and are credentialed as peer recovery support specialists with harm reduction and infectious disease prevention training.



50 PEERS
24 COUNTIES
18 ORGANIZATIONS
3 OREGON REGIONS

WHERE IS PRIME+?

PRIME+ peers are employed by peer recovery organizations, treatment agencies, and health and service organizations to support people who are using substances.

NORTH

Benton, Clackamas,
Clatsop, Columbia,
Lincoln, Linn, Marion,
Multnomah, Tillamook,
Washington

SOUTH

Coos, Curry, Douglas,
Jackson, Josephine,
Lane

EAST

Baker, Deschutes, Grant,
Klamath, Malheur,
Morrow, Umatilla,
Wallowa

WHAT do PRIME+ peers do?

Support setting goals

Link to community resources

Connect to harm reduction supplies
such as naloxone and safer use kits

Link to substance use treatment
and recovery supports

Link to physical and mental health care

Support infectious disease testing
and treatment (hepatitis C)

Support signing up for OHP/insurance

Provide emotional and crisis support

Share lived experiences

HOW do PRIME+ peers connect?



Community partners make referrals
to PRIME+ peers

- Hospitals and emergency departments
- Health clinics, primary care providers
- Emergency medical services
- Coordinated care organizations
- Syringe service programs
- SUD treatment programs, sobering centers
- Justice system



Peers use direct outreach to engage
individuals in the community



Individuals can self-refer



PRIME+ Coos/Curry Counties

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