TOGETHERARKANSAS
Opioid Response Initiative

Together, we can create a healthier, drug-free workplace

The Arkansas State Chamber of Commerce, Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield and AFMC have joined forces to provide Arkansas employers with a toolkit of resources to use—free of charge—to help them prepare, prevent, and respond to the opioid crisis.

The online course consists of five modules (13–16 min per module) to cover:

- Legal and operational issues
- Best practices for drug-testing
- Developing policies and procedures
- How to respond to an employee's misuse of harmful drugs
- Where to refer an employee who needs help
- Providing options for an employee to return to work

43,400 WORKERS

TAKEN OUT OF ARKANSAS'S LABOR FORCE (1999-2015)[1]

574M HOURS WORK HOURS LOST TO SUBSTANCE-USE DISORDER IN ARKANSAS[2]

75% OF EMPLOYERS HAVE HAD AN ISSUE WITH OPIOIDS IN THE WORKPLACE[3]

$33,500,000,000

REAL ECONOMIC OUTPUT IN LOST PRODUCTIVITY FOR ARKANSAS ECONOMY (1999-2015)[4]

7/10 HR OFFICIALS REPORTED THEIR COMPANY FELT THE EFFECTS OF SUBSTANCE-USE DISORDER[5], INCLUDING:

- ABSENTEEISM
- DECREASED PRODUCTIVITY
- SAFETY

ARKANSAS IS TIED FOR THE STATE ECONOMY MOST DAMAGED BY THE OPIOID CRISIS[6].

Visit our website and social media to learn about the prominence of opioid use in our state, and watch our online course to learn how to prevent and manage the problem.

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[1]American Action Forum, [2]Ibid, [3]NSC Employer Survey, [4]American Action Forum, [5]NSC Employer Survey, [6]American Action Forum