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Responding to Opioids

Child welfare professionals know about America's opioid epidemic. Many have seen first hand how opioids can disrupt parents' jobs, relationships, and good judgment. They know and share the pain and frustration of families and communities struggling with the effects of addiction.

But many also have questions about opioids, such as *What is North Carolina doing to combat this epidemic? How can I partner more effectively with parents involved with opioids? What do their infants and other children need? What are the most effective treatments for opioid misuse, and how do I find them in my area?*

To support child welfare practitioners and the families they serve, this issue of *Practice Notes* takes on these and other questions about opioids.

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