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Community health assessment

The issue identified was the need for increased public health communication in the Lord Fairfax Health District.

Project accomplishments:

- Participated in tabling events with Project Connect, handing out free Naloxone, contraceptives, brochures, and hygiene products to residents
- Created informative pamphlets for the local health department's newsletter
- Created a new info sheet for Recovery Month and for the Women, Infants, and Children program
- Participated in local REVIVE trainings
- Handed out free Naloxone to local businesses and did rapid REVIVE trainings to help employees use them

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CHALLENGES:

There are stigmas against certain public health topics like opioid use and STIs, as well as various barriers to harm reduction programs like needle exchanges.

LESSONS LEARNED:

By working with public health workers, I was able to better understand many of the issues afflicting Virginia residents and the obstacles to programs that may mitigate these issues.

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