



# Current Drug Trends in the United States

## Free 2-Hour Webinar

Monday, September 23, 2024, from 2-4pm ET

**About this Webinar:** The topics covered will include:

**Opioids and Synthetic Drugs:** Discover the profound impact of fentanyl and other synthetic opioids on public health. We will explore the increase in abuse, the various modes of import, and the alarming rates of overdoses associated with these powerful substances.

**Prescription Drug Misuse:** Talk about the resurging misuse of prescription medications, with a particular focus on teens and young adults. Understand the factors contributing to the accessibility of narcotics.

**Counterfeit Pharmaceuticals:** Types of counterfeit pills being found, how they are made, and the danger associated with them.

**Naloxone:** The history of Naloxone, how it can be beneficial to you and those you work with along with.

**Presenter:** Ryan Armstrong has over 25 years of experience as a certified law enforcement officer and is a United States Air Force veteran. He is skilled in crime prevention and advanced investigative techniques. He served as a Sergeant at the Pinellas County Sheriff's Office, managing teams of over 60 investigators and individual staff members. He oversaw complex child abuse investigations, with a core focus on keeping children safe in the community. Ryan worked in a specialized narcotics unit where he developed strategies to manage the opioid epidemic and ever-evolving interdiction operations in addition to supervising complicated narcotics investigations. He is a member of the National Association of Drug Diversion Investigators and the Florida Association of Licensed Investigators. He is also a passionate mental health advocate who aims to decrease workplace compassion fatigue.

**Presented by:** The Florida National Guard Multijurisdictional Counterdrug Task Force Training (MCTFT) program and St. Petersburg College.

**Cost:** Tuition-free through MCTFT

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