

HARM REDUCTION SITES

TULSA

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SEXUAL HEALTH &
HARM REDUCTION
SERVICE

HARM REDUCTION MYTHS

MYTH: Harm reduction threatens public safety and health.

FACT: Harm reduction programs are associated with an estimated 50% reduction in HIV and HCV incidence. When combined with medications that treat opioid dependence, transmission is reduced by more than 2/3.

MYTH: Harm reduction is a burden to taxpayers.

FACT: Generates healthcare cost savings, for every \$1-2 spent in HR, \$5-7 is saved.

FACT: Harm reduction programs would only need to prevent three HIV infections to be cost saving.

MYTH: Harm reduction enables drug use.

FACT: New users of harm reduction programs are five times more likely to enter drug treatment and about three times more likely to stop using drugs than those who don't use the programs.

MYTH: Harm reduction programs make neighborhoods less safe.

FACT: Harm reduction services do not increase crime in surrounding areas. In fact, they often improve community safety and cleanliness. For example, syringe access programs decrease improper needle disposal, which helps prevent accidental needle sticks.