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# REGIONAL SEMINAR ON DRUG TREATMENT AND DRUG INFORMATION NETWORKS IN THE CARIBBEAN

## Overview of Treatment Protocol

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# Standardized Data Collection System for Drug and Alcohol Treatment Facilities



Information about the number and characteristics of drug users who seek help and the treatment they receive is valuable for several reasons:

- Planning
- Management
- Needs Assessment
- Provide Epidemiological Indicators of drug problems
- Inform and develop drug policy



Drug users are often  
difficult to reach



Treatment facilities provide  
an opportunity to observe  
what would otherwise be a  
'hidden' problem

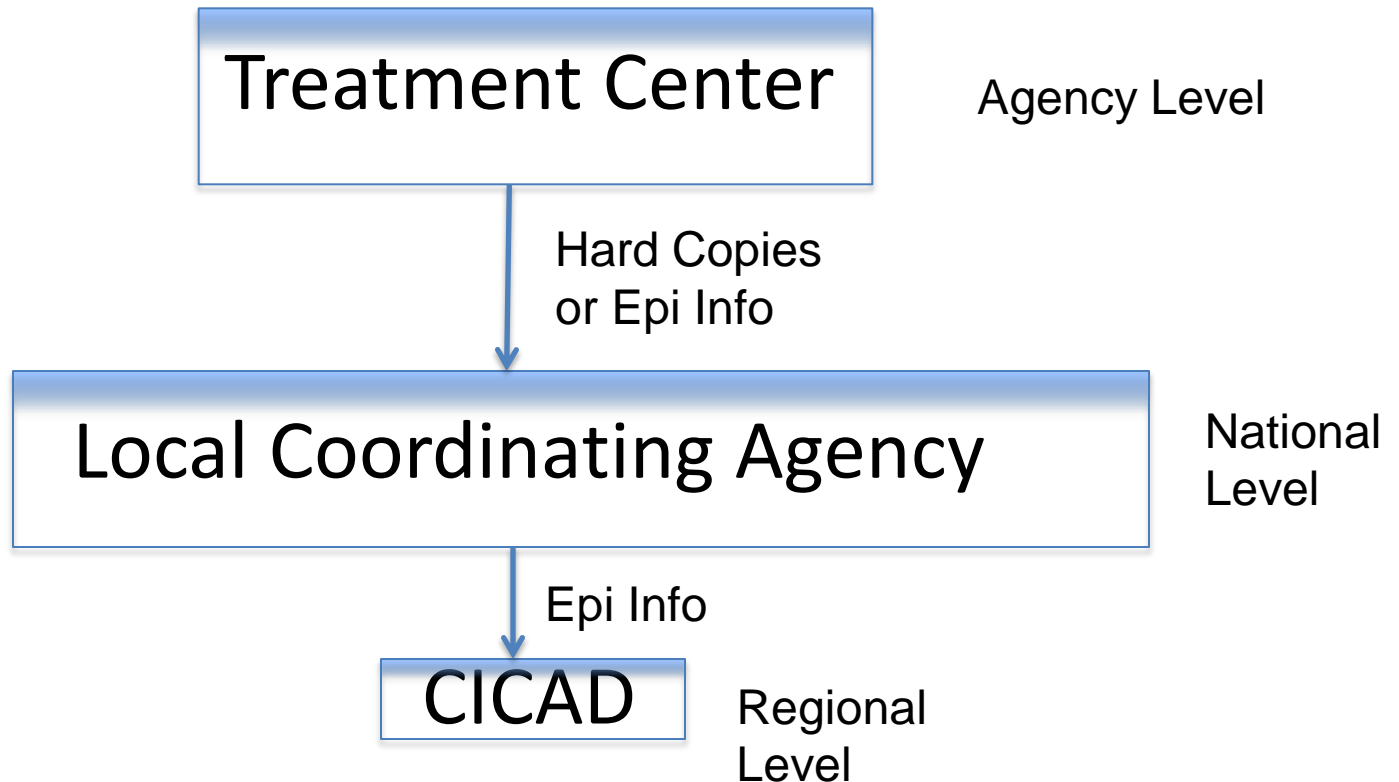


The objective of the TDP is to collect information on persons seeking treatment in all of our member states in a standardized way. This allows us to:

- Build a profile of the demographic characteristics, drug using behaviors, and treatment history, of these persons.
- Establish trends
- Identify risk factors for problematic drug use.



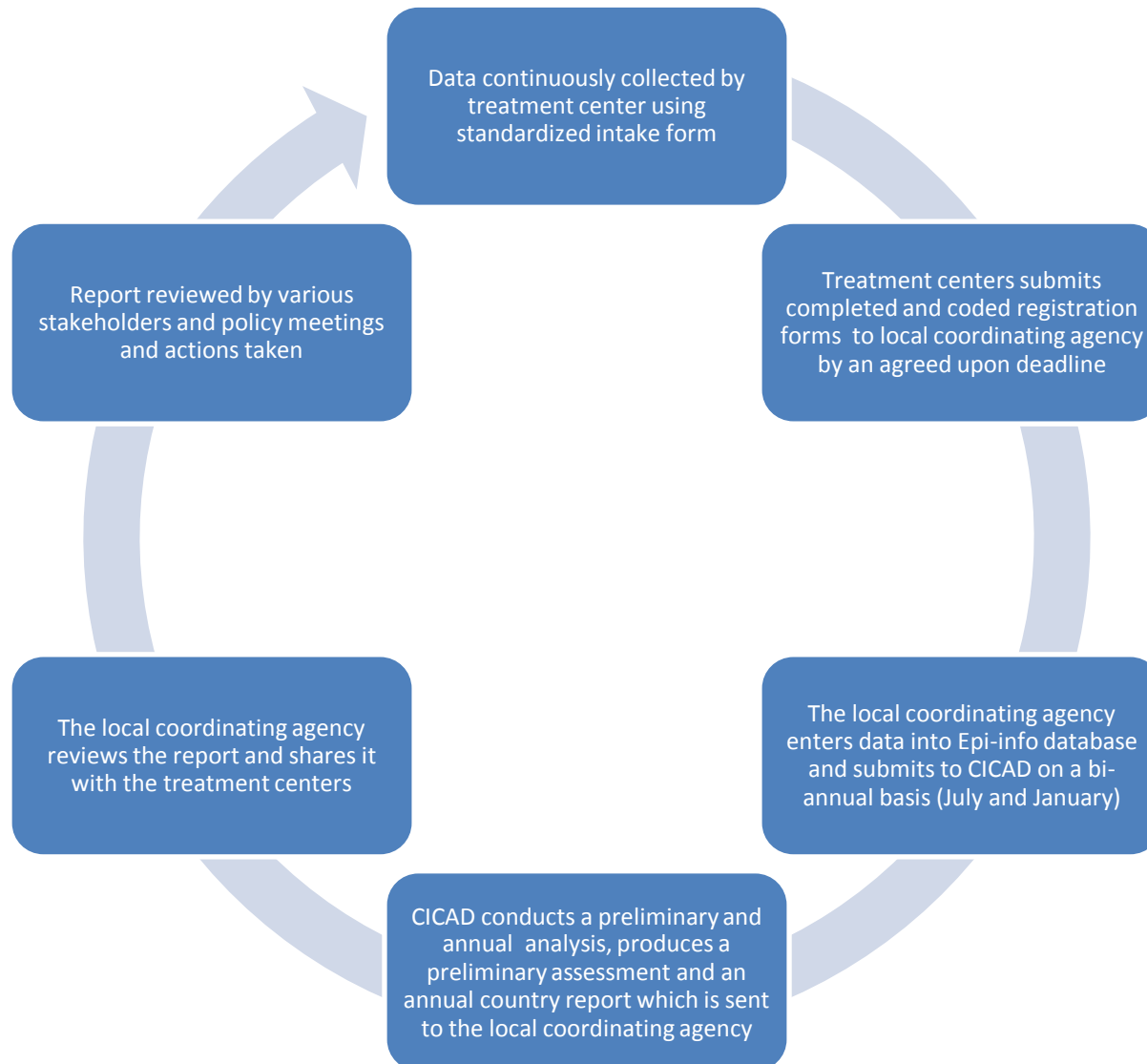
- The Client (demographics)
- Treatment history
- Drug(s) prompting demand for treatment.
- Drug Use (last 30 days)
- Judicial information (history of arrest)
- History of treatment for psychiatric conditions
- Placement



# Data Collection and Analysis Cycle



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# What the protocol does not try to do.....



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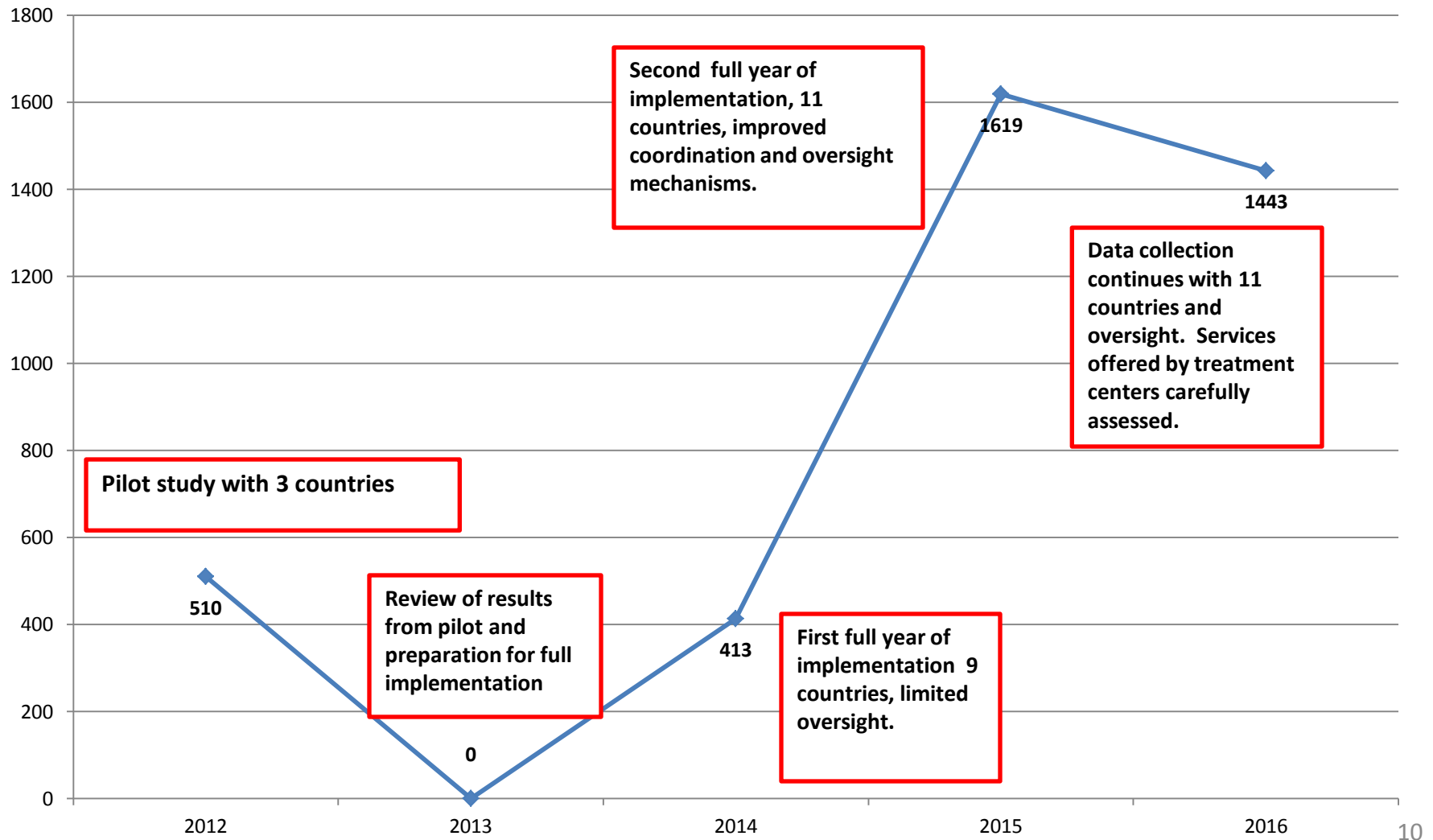
Patient tracking: i.e. tracking a patient as he or she advances through their treatment program.

Collect information that identifies specific individuals.

Evaluate the effectiveness and or outcomes of a treatment center.



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# Thank you for your attention.

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