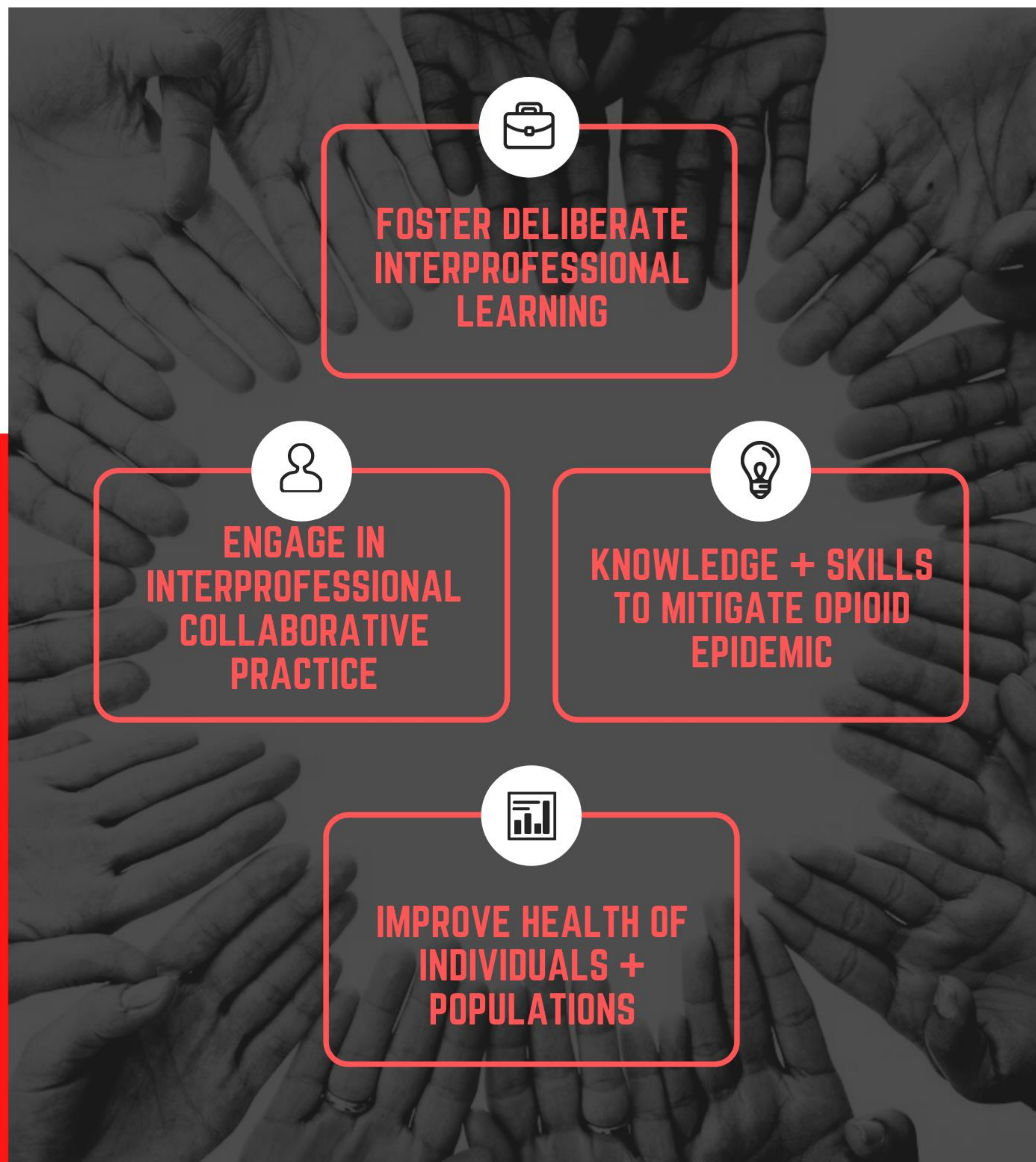


# USING SPICE (STUDENTS AND PRACTITIONERS FOR INTERPROFESSIONAL COLLABORATION AND EDUCATION) TO TACKLE THE OPIOID EPIDEMIC IN THE CENTRAL VALLEY

## MISSION AND VISION

SPICE is comprised of health professional students, faculty + community providers from California Health Sciences University, Fresno State's College of Health and Human Services and the surrounding Fresno county.

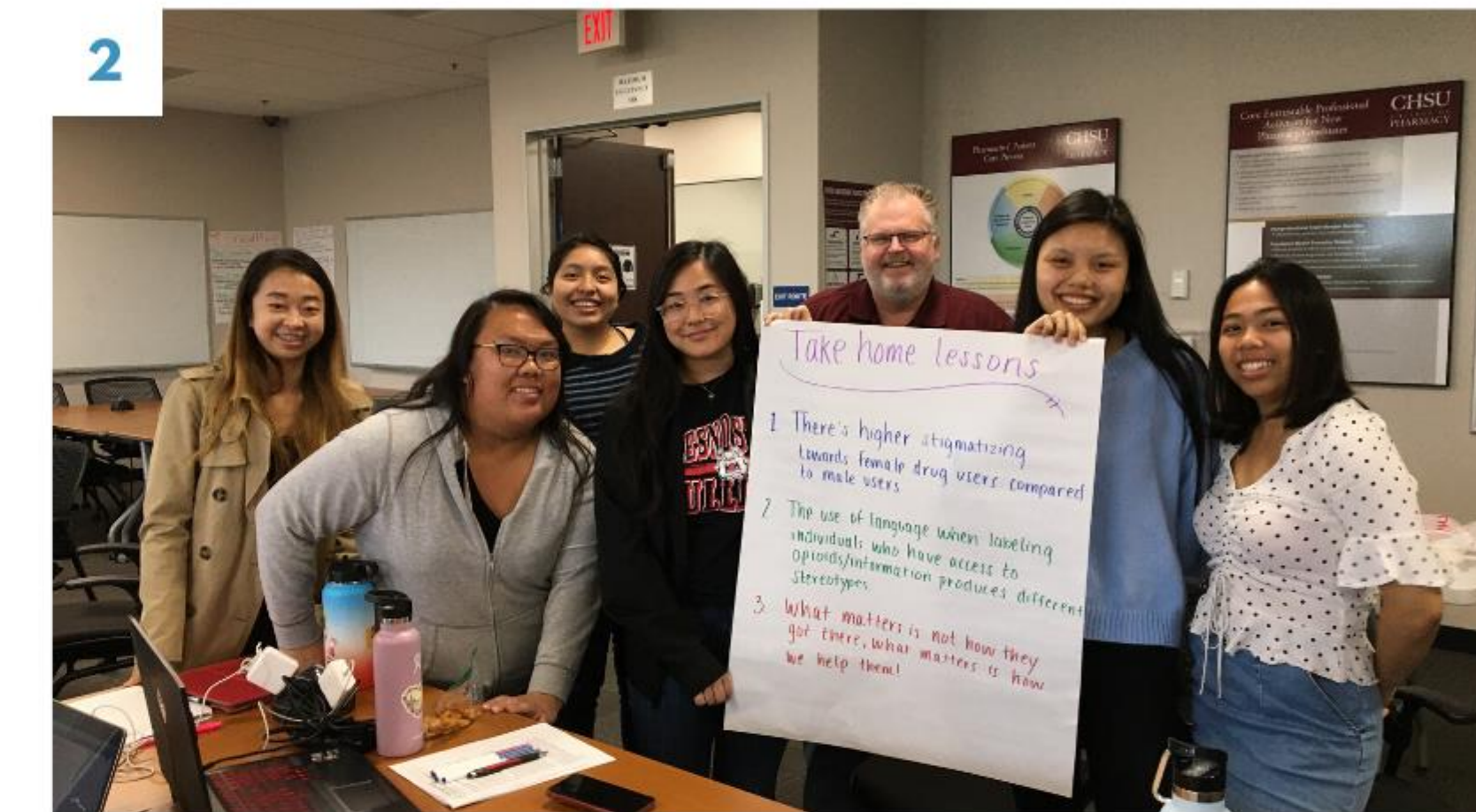
We aim to prepare health and human services students and providers for functioning together in effective interprofessional teams and equip patients and providers with the knowledge and skills necessary to help mitigate the opioid crisis in the Central Valley.



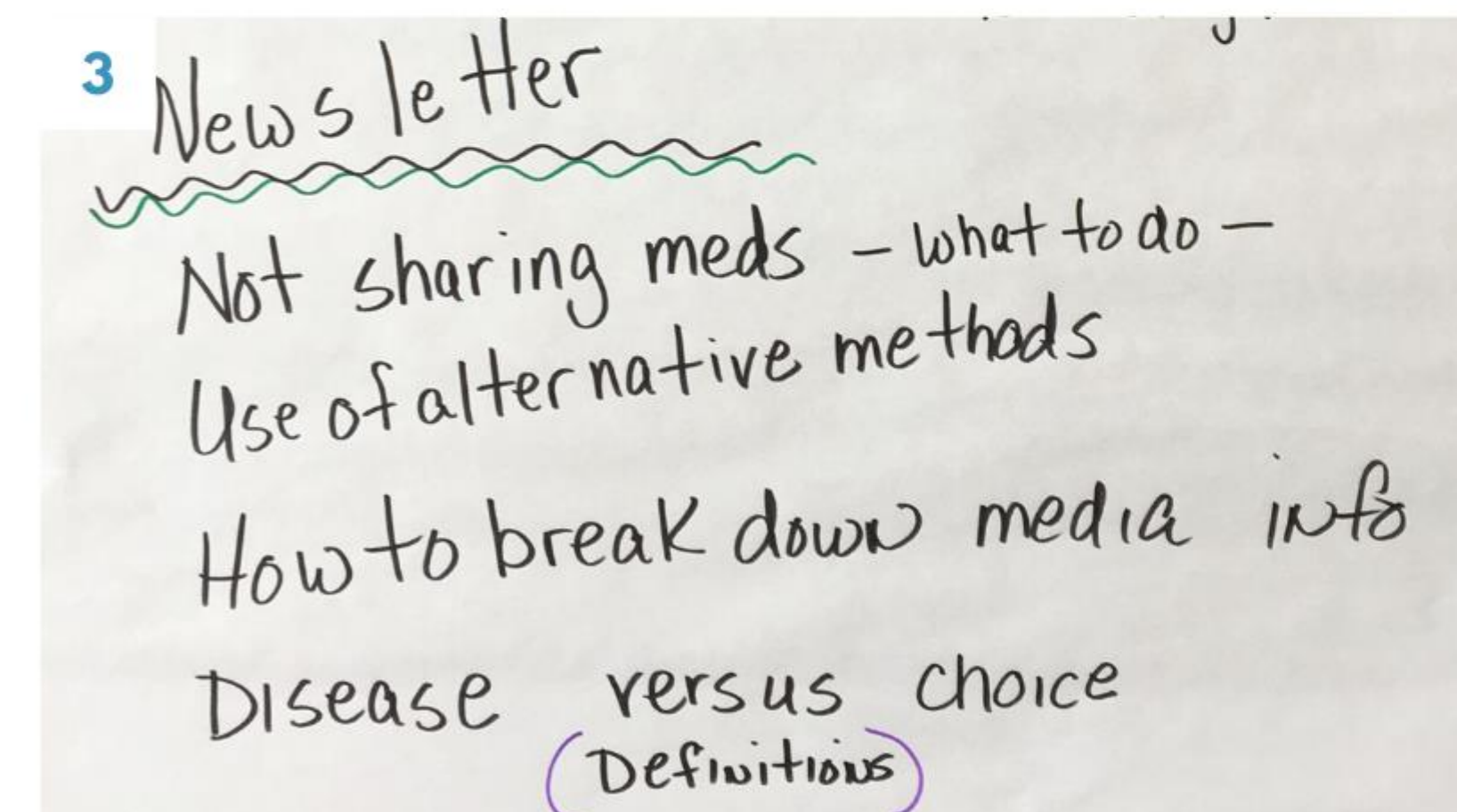
## Interprofessional Learning Activities



1 In less than 1 year, SPICE grew from 3 to 8+ health professions, with about 15-20 participants per monthly meeting.



2 Interactive discussions about evidence-based literature on the opioid epidemic



3 Participants collaborated to create and publish a patient newsletter about opioid safety for distribution in local clinics.



4 SPICE organized an interprofessional naloxone training and certification workshop for health professionals, with help from local first responders and testimonial from a former substance user.

Participants have expressed “empowerment to collaborate with colleagues across disciplines”, “challenged to think of solutions ... [and] hear from a broad variety of inter-professionals and their perspective on patient care and clinical experience”, and “hope for the tackle against opioid abuse. This can drastically change the direction health care is going”.

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