NO ONE UNDERSTANDS THE VALUE OF HEALTH INSURANCE MORE THAN someone who depends on her strength to earn a living.

SHANNON ELDREDGE was born into a fishing family, and has fished her whole life. Her homeport is Stage Harbor Massachusetts and she's one of the last remaining few that practice the almost lost art of Weir Fishing. In addition to being a fisherman, she's a long time fishing advocate, and a Fishing Partnership Navigator.
Fishermen are critical to our economy.
Even some of the **TOUGHEST GUYS** on the planet can use a little help.
Tougher for fishermen

- Difficulty accessing health care
- Uncertainty
- Social isolation
- Job insecurity
The rate of opioid-related deaths for fishermen (143.9) was more than 5 times the average rate for MA workers (25.1)
Raising Opioid Awareness

- 617 fishermen, across 25 trainings
- 15 presentations to community partners
- 12 stories in media (newspaper, tv, radio) about FP work to raise awareness

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Narcan Trainings

- 148 fishermen
- 81 boats
- 11 trainings across MA
- USCG carries Narcan
Prevention

- Ergonomic training for 158 fishermen
- New health insurance for 360 families
- Thousands assisted with health insurance renewal
Promote positive mental health
Social support

- 5 trained Peer Recovery Coaches
- Dozens of ride-alongs with area police
- MAT designed for fishermen
- SMART Recovery support groups by fishermen for fishermen
Questions?

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