

Opioid Recovery and Remediation Funds QPM June 12, 2025

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Nationwide Opioid Settlement



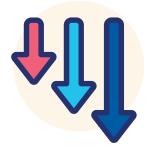
New Jersey will receive more than \$1 billion from nationwide opioid settlements.



The abatement funds will be divided 50/50 between state and local municipalities.



These funds may be used for programs that focus on treatment, prevention, and other strategies to combat the substance use and opioid epidemic.



These funds may also be spent on strategies to reduce the substance use opioid epidemic's ongoing harms to residents and communities.



Allowable Uses: Opioid Abatement Funds

Harm Reduction	Treatment
Long-Term Resiliency	Education, Awareness and Training
Workforce Development	Prevention and Recovery Supports
Leadership, Planning and Coordination	Research and Education

Serving Specialty Populations

Pregnant and Postpartum; Justice-Involved; Underserved Persons







Opioid Settlement Funds

Spending Decisions – February 2024 & October 2024

Harm Reduction Supplies

- \$500,000 one-time funding
- NJDOH used these funds to purchase and distribute supplies to address xylazine-related wounds and drug checking to unfunded or under-funded harm reduction centers and overdose hotspot partners.
- These supplies were selected based on the overwhelming requests NJDOH has received from harm reduction centers and hotspot partners for these items.
 - Wound care kits
 - 2. Xeroform patches for severe wounds
 - 3. Basic hygiene kits
 - 4. Xylazine test strip kits





Harm Reduction Expansion Activities

- \$24 million over two years
- Funds are to support core harm reduction services in a three-pronged approach:
 - 1. Expansion of authorized **Harm Reduction Centers** across New Jersey, with at least one in every county;
 - 2. Expansion of mobile or community outreach for high risk or vulnerable populations; and
 - 3. An integration of harm reduction into existing health care infrastructure to conduct outreach and community engagement activities, including the distribution of information and harm reduction supplies to high-risk areas that may not be aware of existing Harm Reduction Centers or do not yet have a Harm Reduction Center nearby.



Community Peer Recovery Center (CPRC) Expansion

- \$17.505 million over three years
- Expand both **operating hours** and **overall capacity** of the CPRCs to ensure adequate staffing, facility costs, outreach activities, participant assistance, and robust social/recreational and mutual aid offerings at each center.
- This program is funded with a combination of Opioid Settlement Funds and SAMHSA State Opioid Response (SOR) funds.
- DMHAS awarded contracts of \$375,000 each to provider agencies in 21 counties for a total of \$7,875,000.



CPRC Expansion - Awardees

Agency Name	County of Services
John Brooks Recovery Center	Atlantic
Care Plus Bergen, Inc. dba Bergen New Bridge Medical Center	Bergen
County of Burlington, Department of Human Services	Burlington
Center for Family Services, Inc.	Camden
Cape Assist	Cape May
County of Cumberland Human Services	Cumberland
Morris County Prevention is Key, Inc.	Essex
Center for Family Services, Inc.	Gloucester
Prevention Links	Hudson
Prevention Resources, Inc.	Hunterdon
Creative Change Counseling, Inc.	Mercer

CPRC Expansion - Awardees

Agency Name	County of Services
Prevention Links	Middlesex
Prevention Resources, Inc.	Monmouth
Morris County Prevention is Key, Inc.	Morris
Mental Health Association in New Jersey	Ocean
Morris County Prevention is Key, Inc.	Passaic
Center for Family Services, Inc.	Salem
Community In Crisis, Inc.	Somerset
Center for Prevention and Counseling	Sussex
Prevention Links	Union
Center for Family Services, Inc.	Warren



Mobile Medication for Addiction Treatment (MAT) Expansion

- \$9.025 million over three years
- This initiative aims to increase access to medications for substance use disorder (SUD), such as buprenorphine, methadone, naloxone, naltrexone, and acamprosate, as well as medical referral services, case management, and recovery support services.
- Fund the replacement of four existing MAT buses and the expansion of three
 new mobile units across the state funding medication and treatment services to
 the community.
- The funding is limited to the provision of mobile medication services in the following counties, where mobile medication services do not currently exist through DMHAS funding: Bergen, Burlington, Cape May, Cumberland, Gloucester, Hunterdon, Middlesex, Monmouth, Morris, Ocean, Salem, Somerset, Sussex and Warren.

Mobile MAT Expansion - Awardees

Agency Name	County of Services
New Brunswick Counseling Center DBA Burlington Comprehensive Counseling	Burlington
New Brunswick Counseling Center	Middlesex
JSAS HealthCare, Inc.	Monmouth, Ocean



Rapid Referral Platform for Low Threshold Medication Access for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)

- \$19.5 million over three years
- Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) are lifesaving treatments for people with opioid use disorder (OUD). The onset of withdrawal symptoms paired with potentially lengthy wait times for initiation of MOUD, as well as lack of transportation or insurance can be barriers for too many people seeking treatment.
- This program would address these barriers by establishing a statewide rapid referral
 electronic platform and a collection of resources to facilitate expedited access to a vetted
 network of MOUD providers and harm reduction supplies.
- The platform will be available to first responders, emergency departments, treatment providers, correctional settings, and community-based providers that encounter individuals experiencing an overdose or are otherwise seeking care.



NJ Keeping Families Together (KFT) Expansion

- \$8.1 million over three years
- The NJ KFT intervention leverages the Housing First approach to provide comprehensive support to parents with OUD, including access to housing (through rental subsidies), case management, linkage to community services, and therapeutic services.
- Expansion of the existing KFT program would include adding aftercare and "move on services" to ensure stability 12 months post-discharge, thereby maximizing access to the program by promoting unit turnover.



Housing Continuum for Individuals with Substance Use Disorder (SUD)

- \$17 million over three years
- This proposal outlines the establishment of a comprehensive Housing Continuum aimed at addressing the housing needs of individuals who have a history of substance use disorder or co-occurring conditions.
- Emergency shelter beds will be made available for immediate housing needs.
- For those interested in a substance-free supportive living environment,
 Oxford Housing will be available to help them in their recovery.
- Additionally, rental subsidies and assistance with finding and maintaining permanent housing will be made available consistent with a Housing First Model without treatment or sobriety requirements. Critical case management services will be made available to all participants.



Temporary Shelter Housing Services

- Up to 150 beds will be dedicated to serve approximately 450 individuals annually as part of this initiative.
- Individuals served in this initiative will have access to case management services, housing subsidies and Oxford Housing.
- DMHAS made six awards for a total award amount of \$2,737,500 for 150 beds.



Temporary Shelter Housing - Awardees

Agency Name	County/City of Services
New Beginnings Behavioral Health	Camden/ Camden
Real House, Inc.	Essex/ Montclair
Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Newark	Hudson/ Jersey City
The Rescue Mission of Trenton	Mercer/ Trenton
Homeless Solutions, Inc.	Morris/ Morris Township
Eva's Village, Inc.	Passaic/ Paterson



Case Management Services

- The primary objective of this initiative is to provide case management services for the adults with an SUD who are being housed in the DMHAS Opioid Settlement-funded temporary shelter beds and are in need of longterm housing placement.
- Case managers will help connect individuals with services/resources in their area and entitlements, and assist them in securing permanent housing as quickly as possible.



Case Management Services - Awardees

Agency Name	Region of Services
Integrity, Inc.	Northern
North Jersey AIDS Alliance dba North Jersey Community Research Initiative (NJCRI)	Northern
The Rescue Mission of Trenton	Central
Oaks Integrated Care	Southern

Northern Region: Hudson, Essex, Bergen, Union, Morris, Passaic, Sussex and Warren Counties

Central Region: Hunterdon, Mercer, Somerset, Middlesex, Monmouth and Ocean Counties

Southern Region: Burlington, Camden, Atlantic, Gloucester, Salem, Cumberland and Cape May Counties



Oxford Housing

- An Oxford House is a self-sustaining, democratically run home that is free from drugs and alcohol. No individual shall be denied due to the use of legitimately prescribed medications, including MAT.
- These homes provide an environment for peer-supported communal living, self-governance, and self-help, allowing residents to support each other in their efforts to abstain from alcohol and substance use.
- Peer-run sober-living houses that support individuals that have a history of substance use disorder
- Individuals are required to work
- Must adhere to the rules defined by the house
- DMHAS is funding <u>five</u> full-time staff (1 Senior Outreach Coordinator, 2 Outreach Workers, 1 Training and Education Coordinator, and 1 Resource Coordinator) to support the development of 10-12 houses.
- Currently, 10 houses are up and running and 2 are scheduled to open by July 1, 2025.



Legal Services for Individuals with Substance Use Disorder (SUD)

- \$20.25 million over three years
- This program expands upon recent DMHAS efforts to provide free civil legal services to individuals with mental health or substance use disorders.
- Two separate models of legal services:
 - Medical/Legal Partnership (MLP) whereby full-time attorneys work alongside peer navigators
 as an integral part of the treatment team when it is identified that there are legal and/or social
 issues that are impeding an individual's wellness, recovery, and/or successful outcomes in
 treatment, and
 - Regional model whereby attorneys along with navigators are hired or contracted to serve individuals with a SUD through a legal services entity working with SUD providers.
- The program aims to address legal issues that can serve as barriers to accessing needed services (medical, behavioral health, housing, insurance, entitlements, etc.) and to reduce the burden of outstanding legal issues on one's pursuit of wellness, recovery, and their ability to live full lives in the community.



Youth Substance Use Initiative Expansion

- \$5.04 million over three years
- The Department of Children and Families (DCF) will expand the South Jersey Initiative statewide.
- This initiative provides a "no wrong door" approach for youth aged 13 through 17 years who seek access to substance use treatment and continuum of care services.
- Utilizing a Fee for Service (FFS) model, the expansion will make outpatient, intensive outpatient, and short-term residential treatment programs more accessible statewide.
- The initiative will also offer **early intervention services** for youth who may not meet diagnostic criteria, but are engaging in substance use and may be at risk for dependence.
- Services, including family treatment, will be designed to provide support for youth as well as their parents and caregivers.



Reports and Recommendations

 Reports and spending recommendations have been published on the website – <u>www.nj.gov/opioidfunds</u>

 To access the procurements for future programs, please visit www.nj.gov/opioidfunds/funding-opportunities/

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