

#### **Opioid Recovery & Remediation Fund (ORRF) Advisory Council**

#### **Executive Office of Health and Human Services**

March 12, 2025

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Approval of 12/03/24 Minutes



Update from Attorney General's Office



Important Announcements



ORRF Mission & Vision



Strategic Updates



Spotlight: Black & Latino Men's Re-Entry

# Vote on 12/03/24 Minutes



# Opioid Settlements Update

Opioid Recovery and Remediation Fund Council Meeting March 12, 2025

Gregory Hardy Assistant Attorney General Health Care Division Office of the Attorney General



# FY2025 Payments to ORRF so far

Company/Settlement	Amount
Distributors	\$14,421,163.15
Endo International	\$7,573,945.41
Allergan	\$4,306,673.37
Теvа	\$4,255,341.27
CVS	\$3,802,257.79
Johnson & Johnson	\$437,701.17
AGO Medicaid Fraud Settlements	\$188,000.00
Walgreens	\$69,440.52
Total	\$35,054,523.68



# Upcoming Payments to ORRF

Company	Payment Year	Payment Type	Amount	Approximate Date
Walgreens	Year 3	Abatement	\$3,625,187.77	3/31/2025
		Additional Restitution	\$69,440.51	
Total	\$3,694,628.28			



## Total Payments So Far and Estimated 18-Year Totals

Recipient	Settlement Funds Already Paid (as of March 12, 2025)	Estimated Total Settlement Funds to Be Paid Over 18 Years
ORRF	\$215,076,878.88	\$617,728,353.77
Municipalities	\$112,317,956.99	\$338,245,457.39

### Important Announcements



## **Regional Listening Sessions**

#### **Northeast Listening Session**

Wednesday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2025 1:30 PM – 5:30 PM Lynn City Hall Auditorium



#### Weds. 3/19/25 | 1:30-5:30 PM | Lynn City Hall Auditorium

The event will feature an overview of Massachusetts' opioid settlements, a panel discussion with local providers and those impacted by the opioid epidemic, followed by an open session for community members to comment on the state's uses of opioid settlement funds.

Registration not required but strongly encouraged.



Hosted by the Massachusetts Executive Office of Health & Human Services (EOHHS), Attorney General's Office (AGO), and Department of Public Health's Bureau of Substance Addiction Services (BSAS)

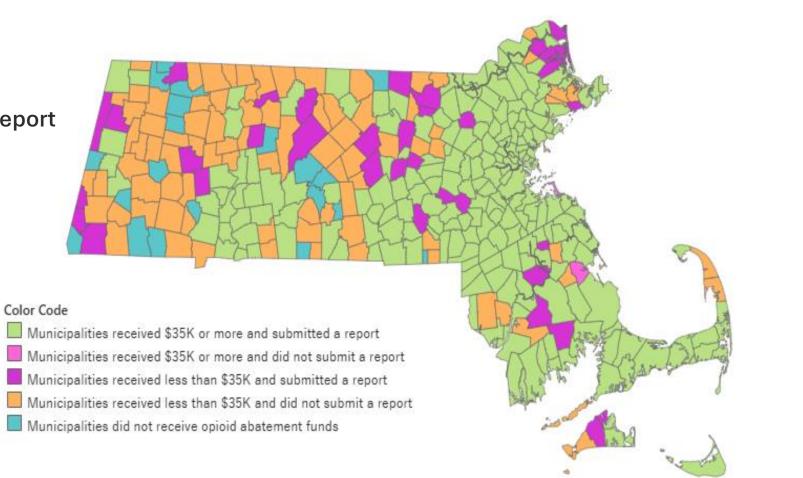
## **Municipal Dashboard**

#### **Reporting Requirements**

- Annual payment ≥\$35,000
- All municipalities encouraged to submit report

#### **Reporting Elements**

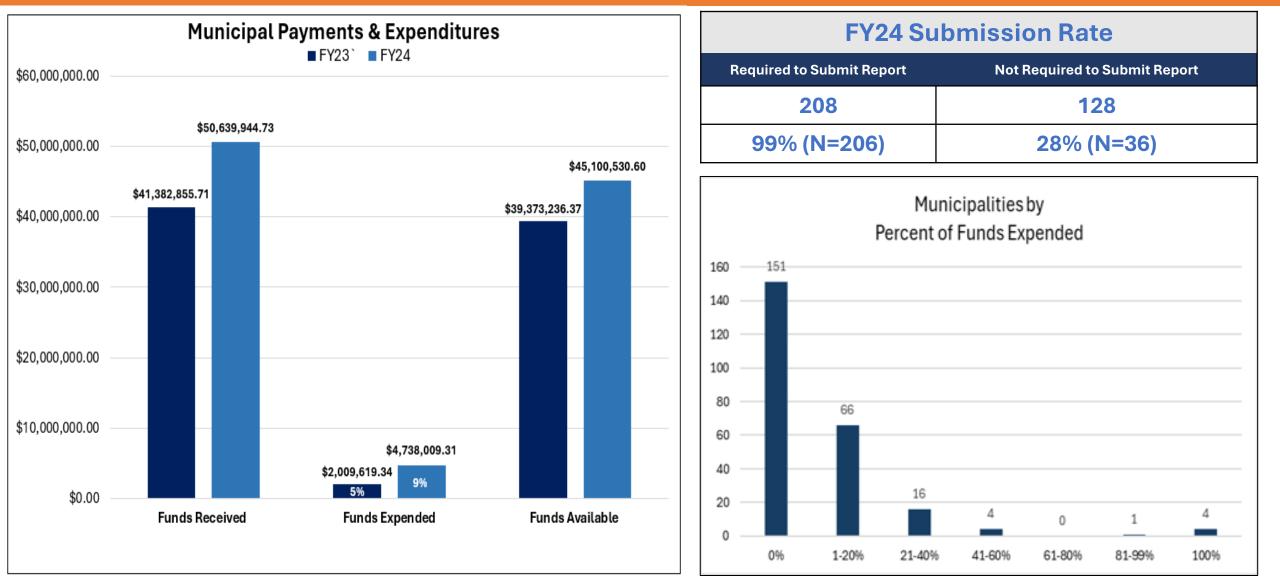
- Funds Expended
- Shared Commitments
- Assessment & Planning
- Populations Served
- Strategy Implementation



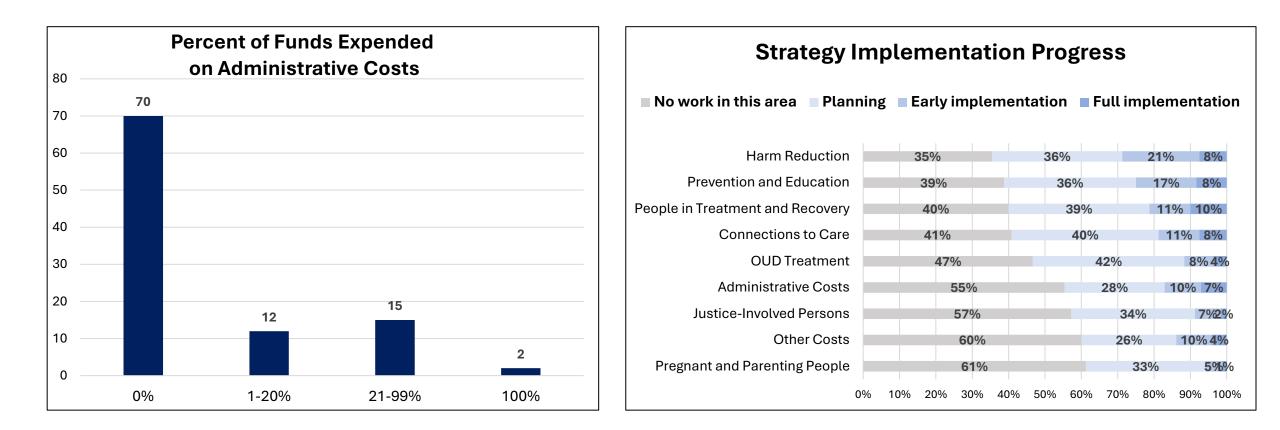
Data as of June 30, 2024

Municipal Dashboard: https://caremass.org/data-dashboard

## Municipal Data: Payments & Expenditures



## Municipal Data: FY24 Strategy Implementation



## **ORRF** Mission & Vision

#### Mission\*

Mitigate the effects of the opioid epidemic on individuals and families, particularly in historically underserved communities that have experienced disproportionately high rates of opioid related overdose deaths

#### Vision\*

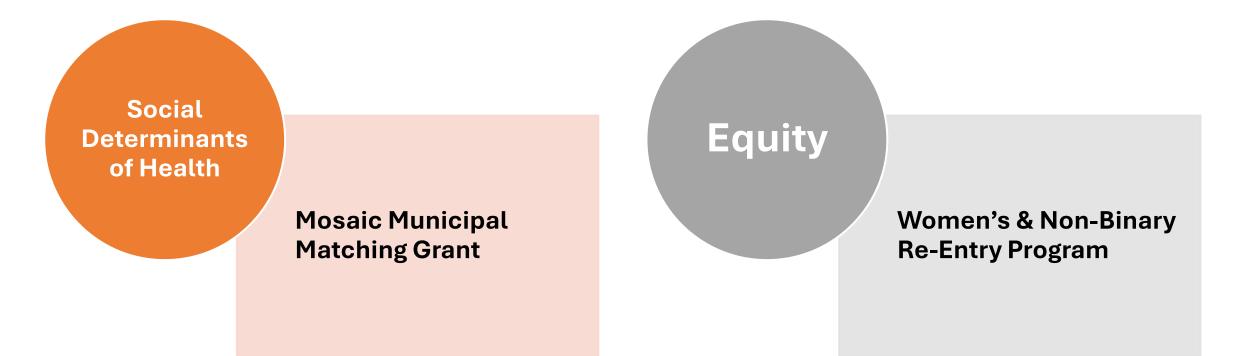
Fund activities across the full continuum of prevention, harm reduction, treatment, services to support individual's recovery from opioid addiction and in support of their loved ones

\*See ORRF Strategic Framework: https://www.mass.gov/doc/orrf-advisory-council-meeting-presentation-12622/download

## **Strategic Priorities**



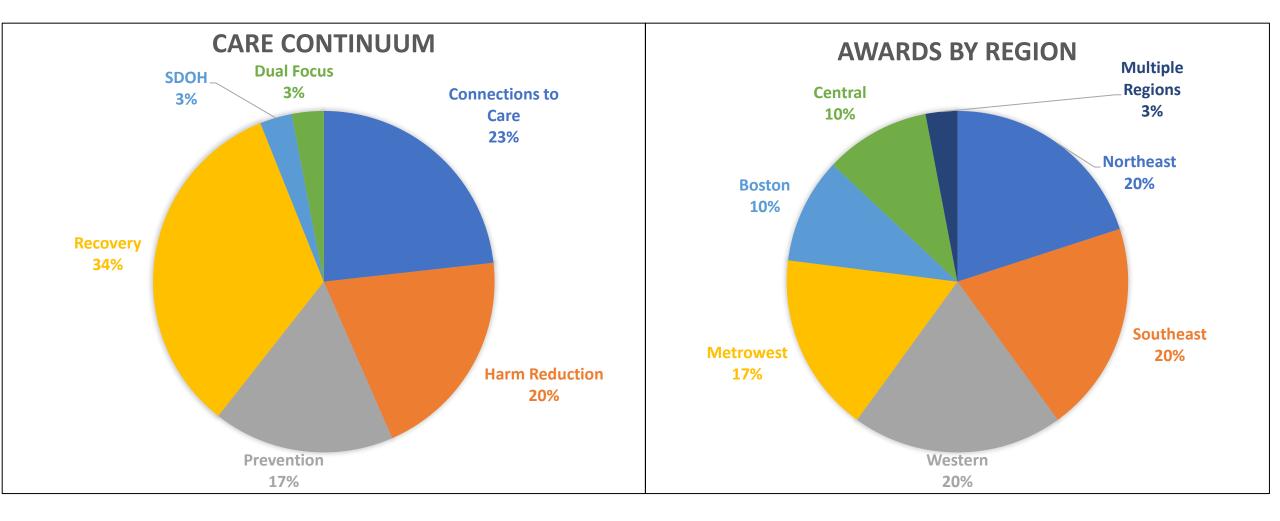
### **Initiative Updates**



### Mosaic Municipal Matching Grant

Applicant	Municipal Partners	Awarded
Adult/Teen Challenge	Taunton	\$15,000
Behavioral Health Innovation	Barnstable	\$50,000
Berkshire Reg. Planning Comm.	Hancock	\$8,817
Choices	Bellingham, Blackstone, Douglas, Mendon, Millville, Northbridge, Sutton, Upton, Uxbridge	\$129,300
City of Cambridge	NA	\$49,400
City of Fitchburg	NA	\$40,000
City of Lawrence	Andover, Haverhill, Lawrence, Methuen, North Andover	\$50,000
City of Lynn	NA	\$50,000
City of Medford	NA	\$35,000
City of New Bedford	NA	\$37,025
City of Revere	NA	\$50,000
City of Somerville	NA	\$30,000
Community Legal Aid, Inc.	Pittsfield	\$5,000
Franklin Regional Council of Gov's	Ashfield, Bernardston, Buckland, Charlemont, Colrain, Conway, Erving, Gill, Hawley, Heath, Leyden, Monroe, Northfield, Rowe, Shelburne	\$33,000
Town of Gloucester	Town of Rockport	\$150,000
Justice Resource Institute	Framingham, Hudson, Natick	\$90,000
Latin American Health Alliance	Worcester	\$50,000
Metropolitan Area Planning Con.	Everett, Malden, Medford	\$15,000
Power Forward	City of Quincy	\$50,000
Community Legal Aid, Inc.	Pittsfield	\$5,000
SSTAR Treatment & Resources	Fall River	\$50,000
Tapestry Health	Amherst, Chester, Chesterfield, Cummington, Easthampton, Granby, Hadley, Hatfield, Huntington, Middlefield, Northampton, Plainfield, Southampton, Worthington	\$150,000
The Brien Center	North Adams	\$50,000
Town of Arlington	NA	\$26,000
Town of Brookline	NA	\$25,000
Town of Falmouth	NA	\$25,000
Town of Holbrook	NA	\$50,000
Town of Natick	NA	\$21,500
Town of Orange	NA	\$50,000
Town of Winthrop	NA	\$50,000
Lowell Comm. Health	Lowell	\$50,000

### Mosaic Municipal Matching Grant



# Women's & Non-Binary Re-Entry Program

#### **Program Overview**

### Offer a broad range of services and supports to meet the needs of the participants and goals of their individualized services plans:

- Substance-use-related wellness and recovery programming
- Trauma-informed care and healing opportunities
- Connections to community-based treatment services
- Wraparound services and case management
- Health education and resources
- Fitness and well-being activities
- Peer support
- Family services
- Family reunification supports
- Community engagement activities
- Information access through technology tools (e.g., phones and internet access)
- Transportation assistance
- Housing assistance
- Vocational training/job placement services

Grant Awardees	Total
Advocates	\$460,000
Greater Lawrence Family Medical Center	\$460,000
New North Citizens Council	\$460,000
North Suffolk Mental Health	\$460,000
New Beginnings Re-Entry	\$460,000
Total	\$2.3 M

# Black & Latino Men Re-Entry Project

# **Program Overview**

- Black and Latino men continue to experience increasing rates of overdose and individuals with a history of incarceration are at an increased risk of fatal overdose
- The Commonwealth identified a need for culturally specific, reentry programming for individuals with a history of substance use
- Funded five community-based organization to provide culturally tailored wraparound re-entry services

# **Target Population / Eligibility**

- Identify as Black and/or Latino
- Identify as male
- Must be 18 or older
- Re-entering the community from a Massachusetts House of Correction (HOC), Department of Correction, Section 35 and/or community corrections
- At risk of an overdose
- Uses and/or has a history of using substances

#### Fathers' UpLift

Dorchester

New North Citizens' Council

Holyoke

Greater Lawrence Family Health Center

Lawrence

Legendary Legacies

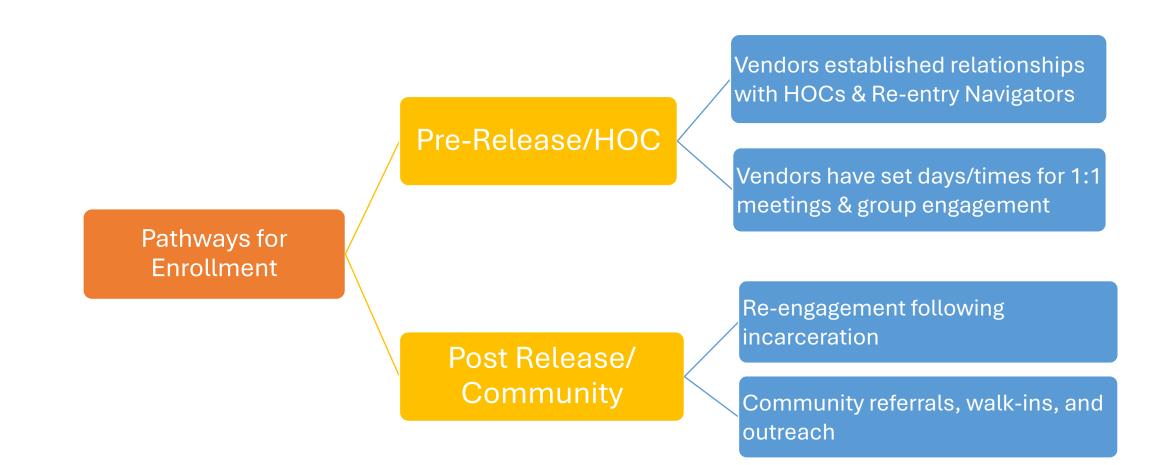
Worcester

### Black & Latino Men Re-Entry Programs

Casa Esperanza

Roxbury

### **Enrollment Pathways**



# Services Overview

Community Reintegration Initiatives	Housing Support	Individual Service Planning
Life Skill Groups	Linkages to Care & Coordination	Peer Support Groups
Re-entry Services	Social Activities	Substance Use Support

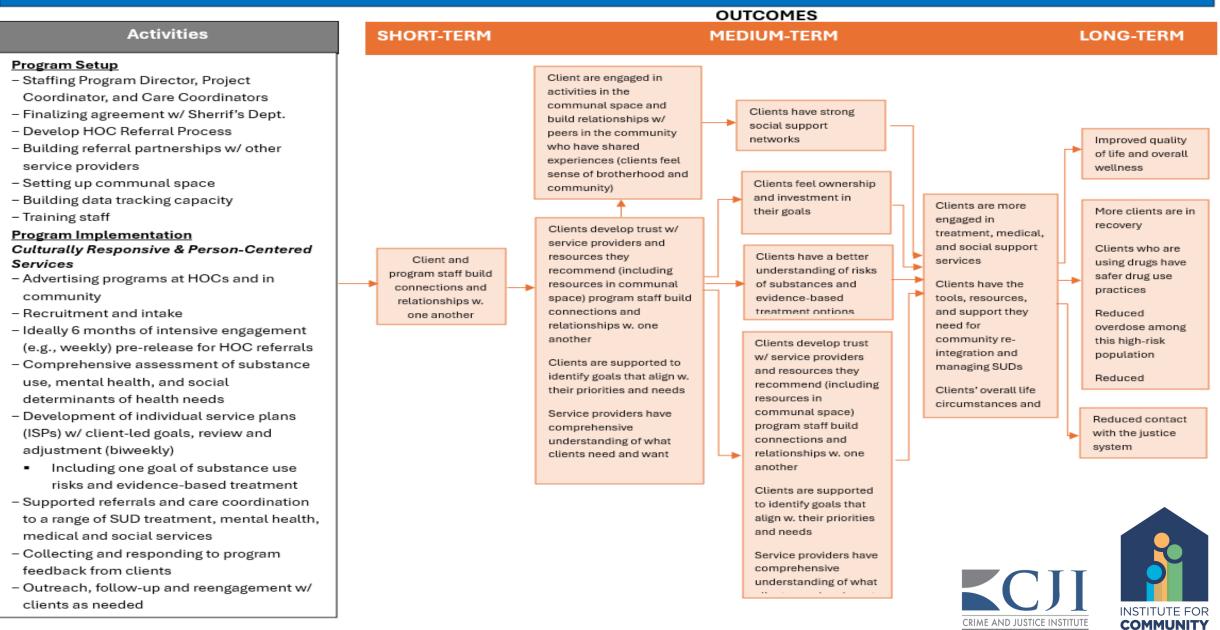


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# Program Evaluation

#### **Recovery-Based Services for Black & Latino Men – Theory of Change**

Focus Population: Black and Latino Men who have a history of substance use, are reentering the community from MA House of Corrections, and plan to reside in Boston, Holyoke, Springfield, Lawrence, Lynn, or Worcester



A Division of Community Resources for Justice

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### **Evaluation Frameworks**



RE-AIM: Reach, Effectiveness, Adoption, Implementation, Maintenance



**PRISM:** *P*ractical, *R*obust *Implementation & Sustainability Model* 

Organizational and participant perspectives on intervention, organizational and participant characteristics, implementation and sustainability infrastructure, external environments



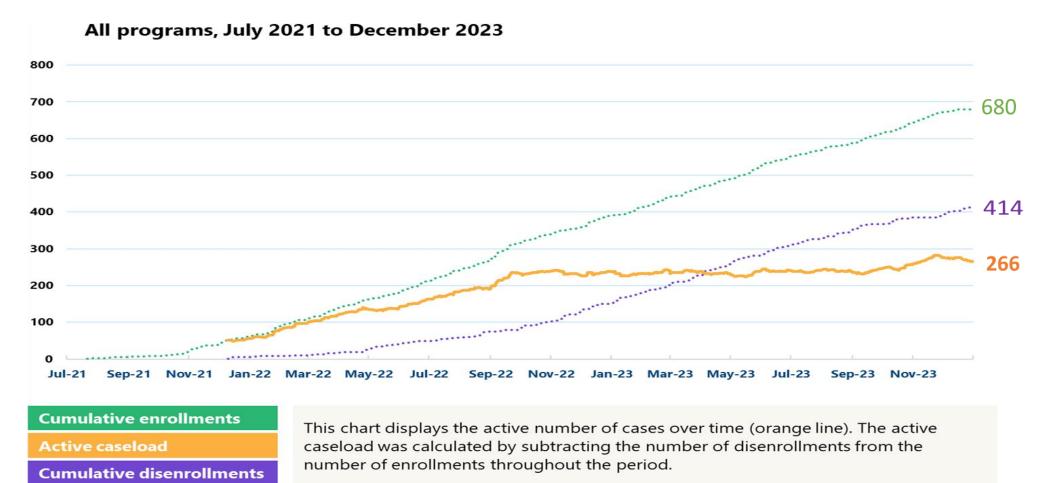
#### **Equitable Evaluation Principles**

Creating opportunities for provider participation & co-design at all phases Valuing the lived experience of clients and providers Minimizing data collection burden Facilitating providers' access to information

# Evaluation Data Sources



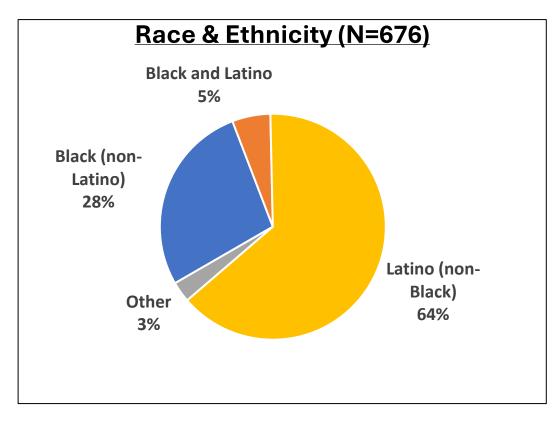
### Cumulative Enrollments, Disenrollments & Caseloads

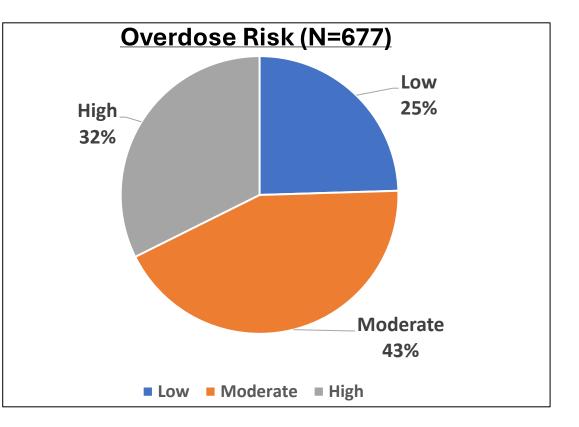


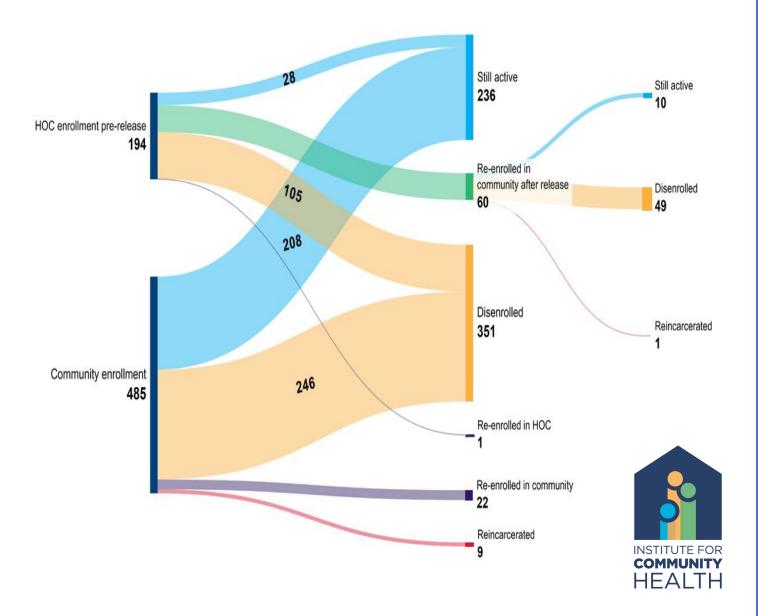




# **Participant Characteristics**







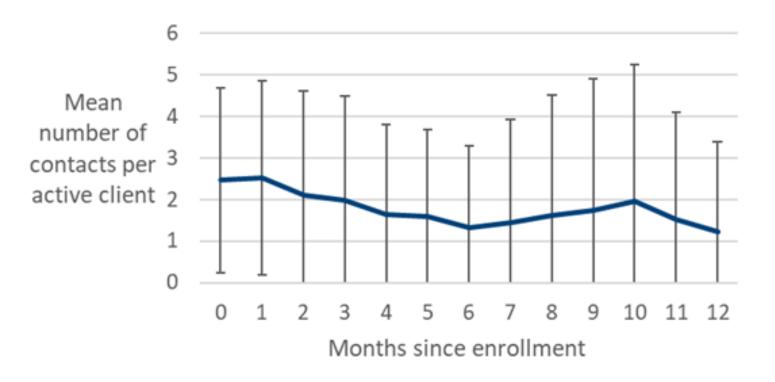
# Recruitment Pathways

"It's awesome the way they go into the jail. That's the best part because you're building a rapport, and you're getting some information while you're in there. ... Y'all can have some dialogue and help you set some things up before you get out because that's critical. You know what I mean? Because I think me being because I did five years, two months, stayed out seven years. Then, I did three years, stayed out another seven years, and got that four years, and stayed out ... ten years. But I say the first seven to fourteen days are critical because you'll fall right back into whatever it was you was doing. It's critical to have some type of support, man, when you walk out them doors. You know what I mean? That's critical, and that's an awesome thing. It's awesome."



- Client

All providers (N=408 at time 0)



#### High-Touch Engagement

# Service Planning & Delivery

#### Meeting participants' basic needs

# Supporting participants in obtaining identification documents

Securing shelter and sober home beds, and assisting participants with applications for more permanent **housing** 

Overcoming **barriers to employment** for people with criminal records

# Supported referrals for **physical and behavioral health care**

Coaching and groups to improve participants' **relationships with their children and families** 



# Evaluation Next Steps

# The evaluation team is implementing a **longitudinal outcome data tool** to measure:

- Progress toward goals
- Flourishing and social connectedness
- Holistic recovery
  - Employment & education
  - Financial, physical, and mental health
  - Housing stability
- Overdose risk
- Recidivism



# **Questions & Answers**

**OpioidRecoveryandRemediationFund@mass.gov** 



# Seeking Advisory Council Engagement

- We value your insight Your feedback helps ensure opioid abatement funds are used effectively and equitably
- **Proposed approach**: A quarterly survey at each meeting to gather your perspectives
- What should we ask? What key questions or focus areas would be most useful to discuss?
- **Other engagement ideas?** Are there additional ways you'd like to provide input beyond meetings and surveys?



Quarter	Date	Format	Initiative Spotlight
<del>Q1</del>	Wed. 03/12/25	<del>Virtual (Zoom)</del>	Black and Latino Men's Re-Entry
Q2	Wed. 06/04/25	Virtual (Zoom)	Mobile Addiction Services
Q3	Wed. 09/10/25	Hybrid (Southeast Region)	Municipal Training & Tech. Assistance
Q4	Wed. 12/10/25	Virtual (Zoom)	Statewide Dashboard