



Milwaukee County Aging and Disabilities Services Opioid Prevention Project Summary

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Project Summary



EDUCATION



DATA



OUTREACH



COLLABORATION



Goals & Objectives

Goal 1: Address the unique needs of adults at risk in older adults in Milwaukee County related to preventing and responding to opioid misuse.

- We currently have been working on this project for 5 months.
- Identified training needs and established a training program for ADS staff and community partners.
- During the 1st quarter of 2024 we will be integrating additional questions into the current risk assessment tool for APS workers to better identify current customers that may be at risk for abuse/misuse amongst the target population.



Goals & Objectives

Goal 2: Increase Aging and Disabilities Services ability to identify and track the prevalence of opioid misuse among older adults in our Milwaukee County services population.

- Met with Geographic Information Systems, Office of Emergency Management, created a dashboard that identified high risk areas, this mapping data will allow for targeted outreach.
- Met with Prevention Integration Manager we begin the process of developing harm reduction saturation efforts in identified high risk areas.
- Incorporating DATA from OD-PHAST and Voices of Wisconsin to clearly see current trends related to the population we serve.
- The only unintended outcome faced this far is time. The project started in October 2023.



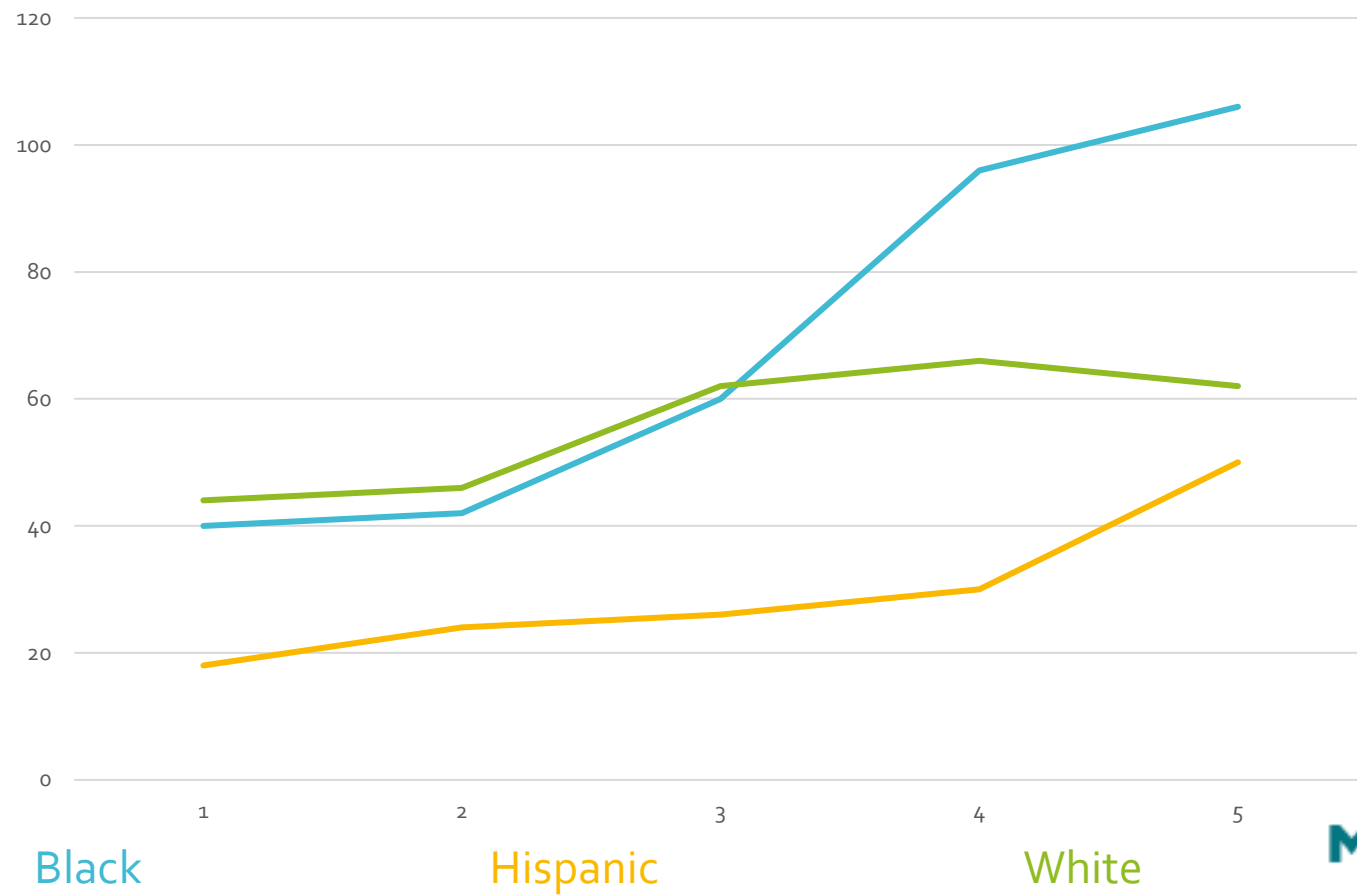
The following data was adapted from a comprehensive study conducted by VOICES WISCONSIN (people who use drugs) and Milwaukee County overdose data from OD-PHAST



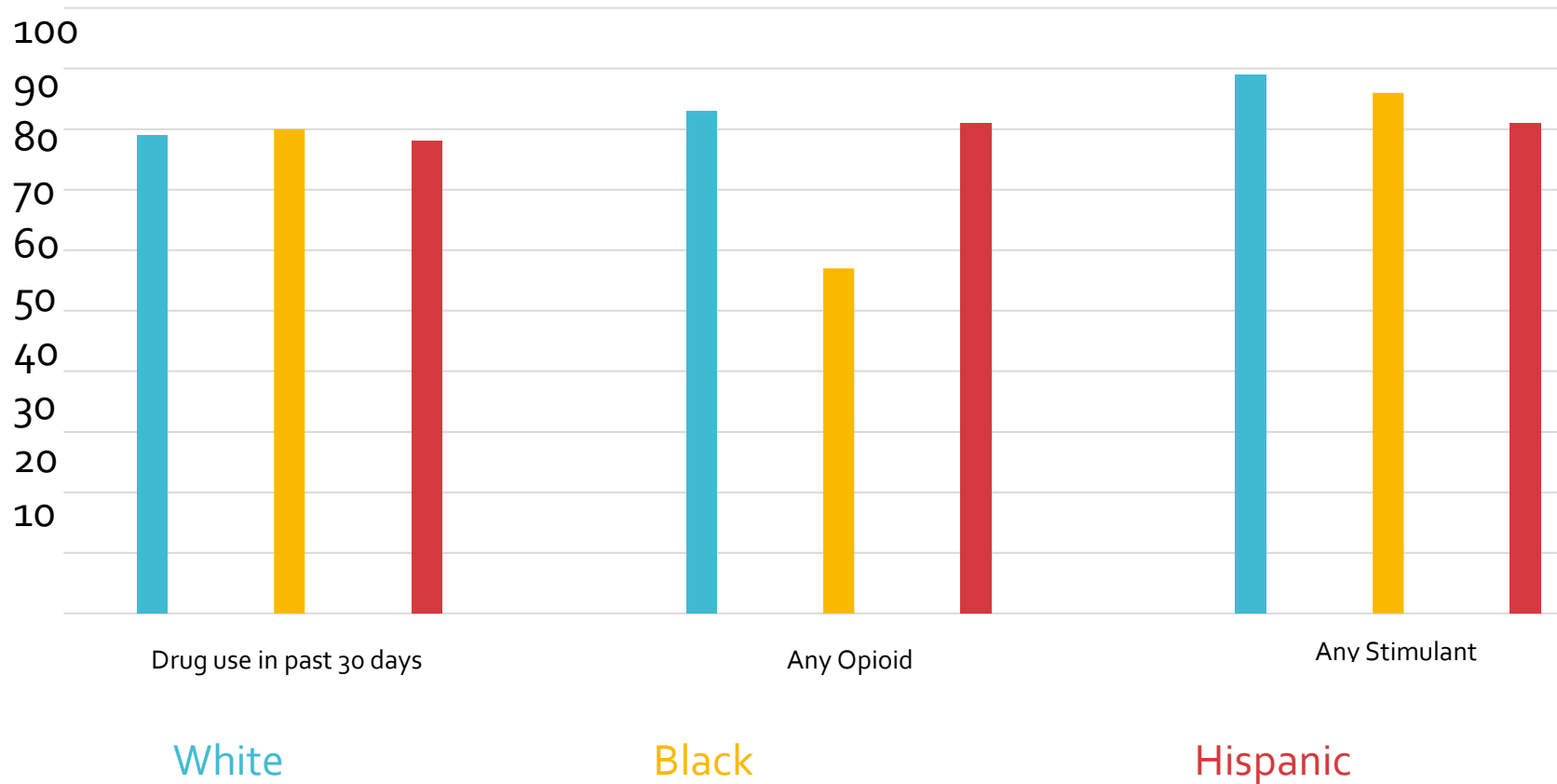


We are focusing on identifying missed opportunities and gaps in services

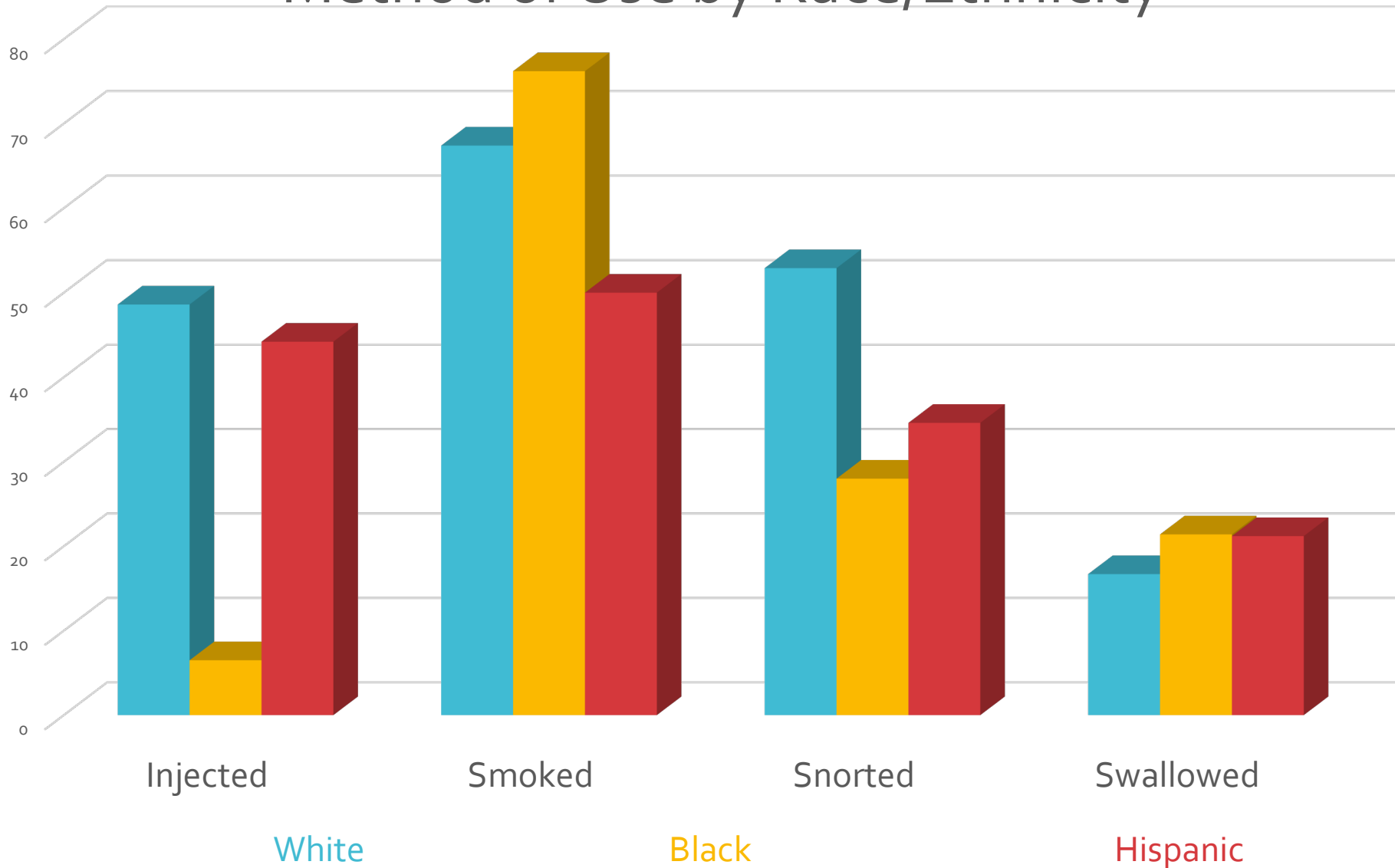
The rate of overdose disproportionately impacts Black individuals in Milwaukee County and Nationally. 2018-2022



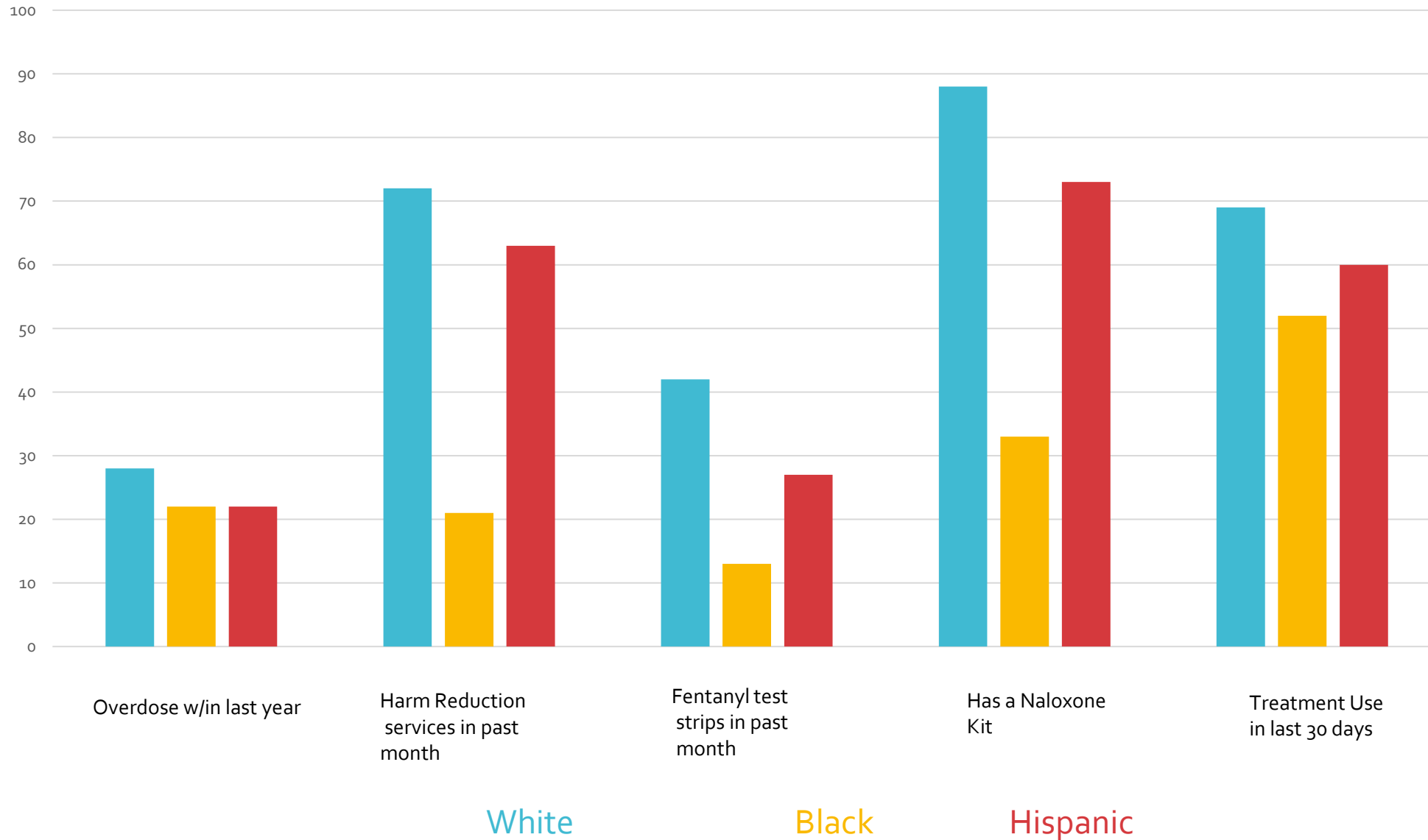
Drug Use Characteristics by Race/Ethnicity



Method of Use by Race/Ethnicity



Overdose and Service Use by Race/Ethnicity Chart Title





Opioid Overdose Tracking of Residents Aged 50+

<https://experience.arcgis.com/experience/4a9071ff0c0948698236298e5806ba67/>





Challenges

Reducing ODs in Milwaukee will go a long way in reducing deaths in Wisconsin overall & reducing the alarming and disproportionate number of deaths among Black Wisconsinites

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**Top Barriers
Harm Reduction
Services Use (no
difference)**

1. Don't Need Services (57%)
2. Don't Know About Services in Area (37%)
3. Worried What People Will Think

Top Barriers to Fentanyl Test Strip Use (all)

- 1. Don't Want to Use Them (37%)
- 2. Don't Know What Test Strips Are (30%)
- 3. Don't Have Any Test Strips (12%)

Top Barriers to Fentanyl Test Strip Use (Blacks)

- 1. Don't know what test strips are (40%)
- 2. Don't want to use them (34%)
- 3. Don't Have Any Test Strips (14%)



Current Data suggest that Black Males are at a higher risk of opioid misuse/overdose than any other ethnic group.

IDEAL Approach

Targeted Harm Reduction Saturation Efforts:

1. Identifying high risk areas
2. Developing community partnerships
3. Education on harm reduction services
4. Assessment/Referral Services
5. Linking to Peer Support and SUD treatment services



Progress to
this point



1. Identified High overdose areas in Milwaukee County.

2. In process of hiring full and part-time 3-4 outreach workers.

3. Established target date to begin Harm Reduction/Education Saturation Efforts in Identified High Overdose Areas for People 50 and older.



July 1, 2024



Questions to Answer

