



Yakima County, Washington  
**DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS**  
*Office of*  
Director Jeremy Welch

*MEMORANDUM*

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Date: September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024  
To: Melissa Holm, Human Services Department  
From: Jeremy Welch, Director  
Re: ***2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter Performance Measure Summary***

The Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) program officially started March 11, 2024. This program is also often referred to as Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT).

Yakima County Department of Corrections (YCDOC) was awarded for the funding to be put towards a Correctional Officer position that provides security and escort services for the Comprehensive Healthcare staff that are administering the MOUD medication throughout the facility.

Below you will find a brief summary for 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter of 2024.

**Data:**

- Total officer hours spend working the MOUD program
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter = 271 hours

**Barriers:**

- Inductions – currently not adding new individuals
- Delays in arrival times
- FTE officer hours be cover with OT vs dedicated individual
- Time consuming dosing individuals
- Some concerns with individuals diverting medications


**Success:**

- Program continues individuals' medication when booked or released.
- We continue to dose on average 20 individuals per day
- Overdose incidents are significantly down from 2023
- Outreach and education being significantly promoted and encouraged
- We continue to see encouraging successes with individuals either continuing treatment upon release or at least remain out of custody for longer periods of time. This success is contributed to not just our MOUD program but the program we have put into place.

**Significant Changes:**

- Nothing significant changed during the 2<sup>nd</sup> quarter.

Respectfully,



Jeremy Welch, Director