



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

MEMORANDUM

Date: October 11th, 2024
To: Melissa Holm, Human Services Department
From: Jeremy Welch, Director
Re: **3rd 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 summary for the 3rd quarter of 2024.

Data:

- Total officer hours spent working the MOUD program
 - 1st quarter = 74 (only 1-month)
 - 2nd quarter = 271 hours
 - 3rd quarter = 319 hours
 - Total = 664 hours
- We continue to average around 20 individuals receiving MOUD treatment services.

Barriers:

- Delays in arrival times from Comprehensive Healthcare.
- FTE officer hours being cover with OT vs dedicated individual.
- Some concerns with individuals diverting medications.

Success:

- Program continues individuals' medication when booked or released.
- 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:

- We began completing inductions.
- Changed one of the dosing locations to be more efficient on dosing times.
- Providing a medical room to conduct assessments for inductions.

Respectfully,


Jeremy Welch, Director