

Office of Drug Control Policy

Updates

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Overview



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ODCP Mission



- The West Virginia Drug Control Policy Act, passed in 2017, created the Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP) within the West Virginia Department of Human Services (DoHS), formerly a part of the West Virginia Department of Health and Human Resources (DHHR).
- ODCP is tasked with leading the statewide response to the substance use disorder crisis by developing strategies related to the prevention, treatment, and the overall reduction of substance use disorder.
- One of the ODCP's chief responsibilities, as defined in the W. Va. Code (§16-5T-2), is to develop a strategic plan to reduce the prevalence of substance use disorder, overdose fatalities, and smoking.
- ODCP is the central repository for all Overdose Data in West Virginia.

ODCP Values



1. Recovery is possible for every West Virginian with a substance use disorder (SUD).
1. Data-driven programming should drive our efforts – we know what works.
1. All recovery is legitimate regardless of the path.
1. Anyone ready for help should never be turned away.
1. Anyone not ready for help should be referred to evidence-based services at every opportunity.

HB 3306 Funded Programs Dashboard



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Funded Programs for Substance Use Disorder (SUD)

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Disclaimer:

The information presented within the dashboard is extracted from known entities that have received allocation for substance use disorder response programming through state grants, federal grants, or opioid settlement funds. The information identifies the location of the funding recipient and not the location of the programming.

The West Virginia Department of Human Services, Office of Drug Control Policy (ODCP), is consistently improving the process to provide the most current identification of funds for substance use disorder programming.

County

- Select all
- All Counties
- Barbour
- Berkeley
- Boone

County Grantee Name

Program Name

All Counties	WV Board of Pharmacy	OD2A/CSMP
Barbour	WV Board of Pharmacy	OD2A/CSMP
Berkeley	Berkeley Medical Center	Peer Recovery Support Specialist - Mosiac
Berkeley	Berkeley Morgan County Board of Health	Harm Reduction Program
Berkeley	Berkeley Morgan County Board of Health	OD2A /QRT
Berkeley	Corrections Confirm	RSAT/GOALS
Berkeley	Eastern Panhandle Mental Health Center, Inc	Peer Recovery Support Specialist – Division of Corrections and R
Berkeley	Eastern Panhandle Mental Health Center, Inc	Uninsured/Undersinsured
Berkeley	Martinsburg Institute	1115 Waiver
Berkeley	Mountaineer Behavioral Health	Peer Recovery Support Specialist
Berkeley	Mountaineer Behavioral Health	Peer Residential Boarding
Berkeley	Mountaineer Behavioral Health	Treatment
Berkeley	Mountaineer Behavioral Health	Uninsured/Undersinsured
Berkeley	WV Board of Pharmacy	OD2A/CSMP
Boone	Boone County Health Department	OD2A /QRT
Boone	Boone Memorial Hospital	Peer Recovery Support Specialist - Mosiac
Boone	Boone Memorial Hospital	Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Mobile Units
Boone	Boone Memorial Hospital	Treatment
Boone	Boone Memorial Hospital	Uninsured/Undersinsured

Data updated through: 12/31/23



**Provisional Fatalities:
Confirmed and Pending**

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**Historical Overdose
Fatality Data**

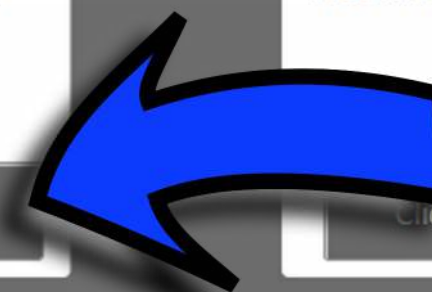
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**Funding
for Substance Use
Disorder (SUD)**

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**Definitions and
Additional Information**

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HB 3306 Outcomes Dashboard

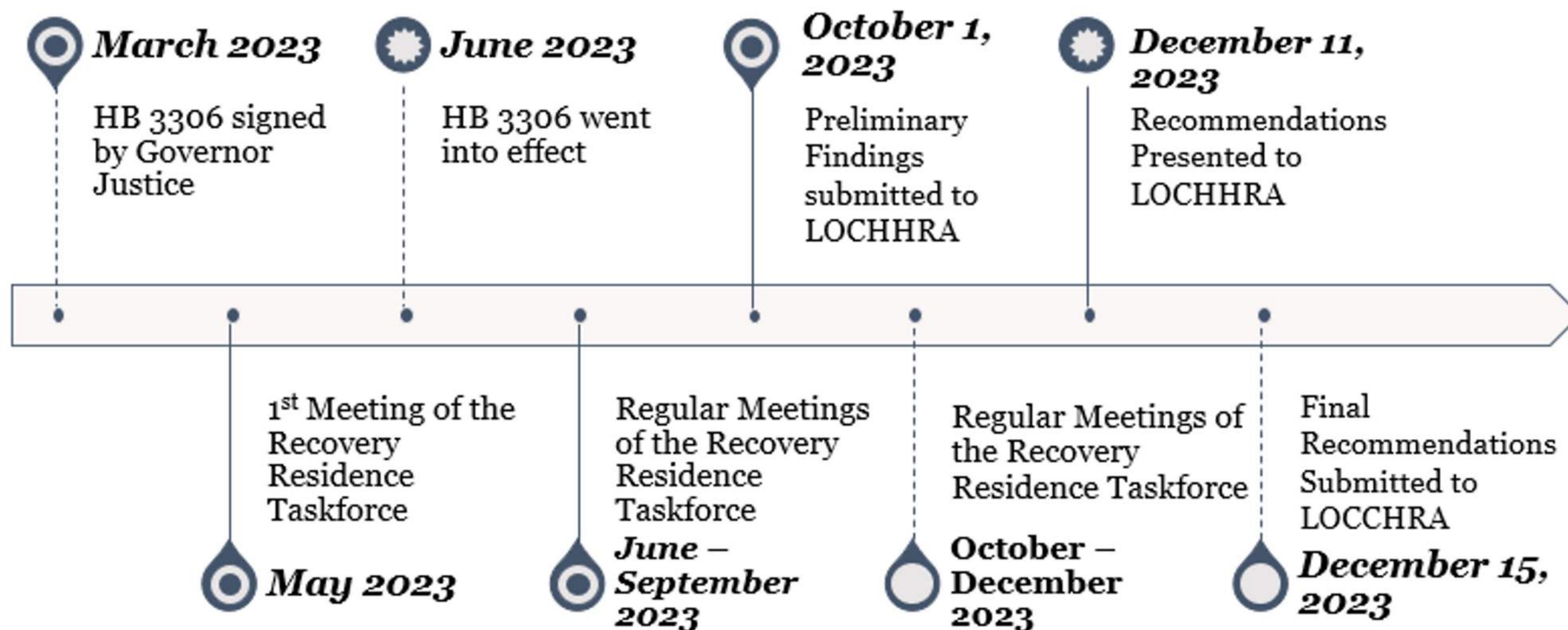


- ODCP has contracted with West Virginia University Health Affairs Institute (WVUHAI) to inform the development of the ODCP data dashboard updates specified in HB 3306.
- The outcome of this work will include a report of finding based on a feasibility assessment of the merit and cost of conducting this assessment for all programs relevant for HB 3306 reporting and a plan to implement the work for all programs.

HB 3306 Recovery Residence Taskforce



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West Virginia Data and Trends



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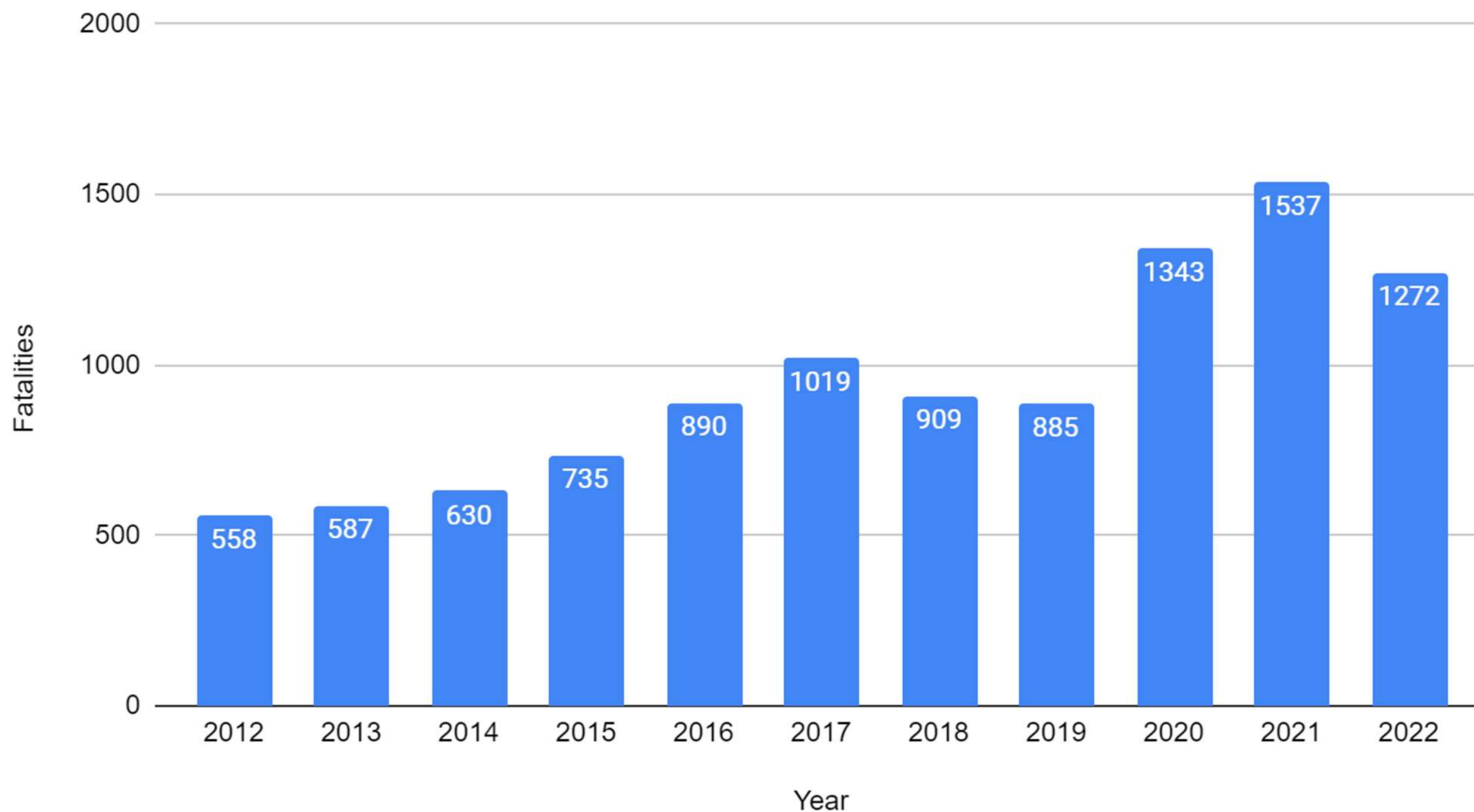


WV Overdose Data 2012 to 2022



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All Drug Overdose Fatalities by Year

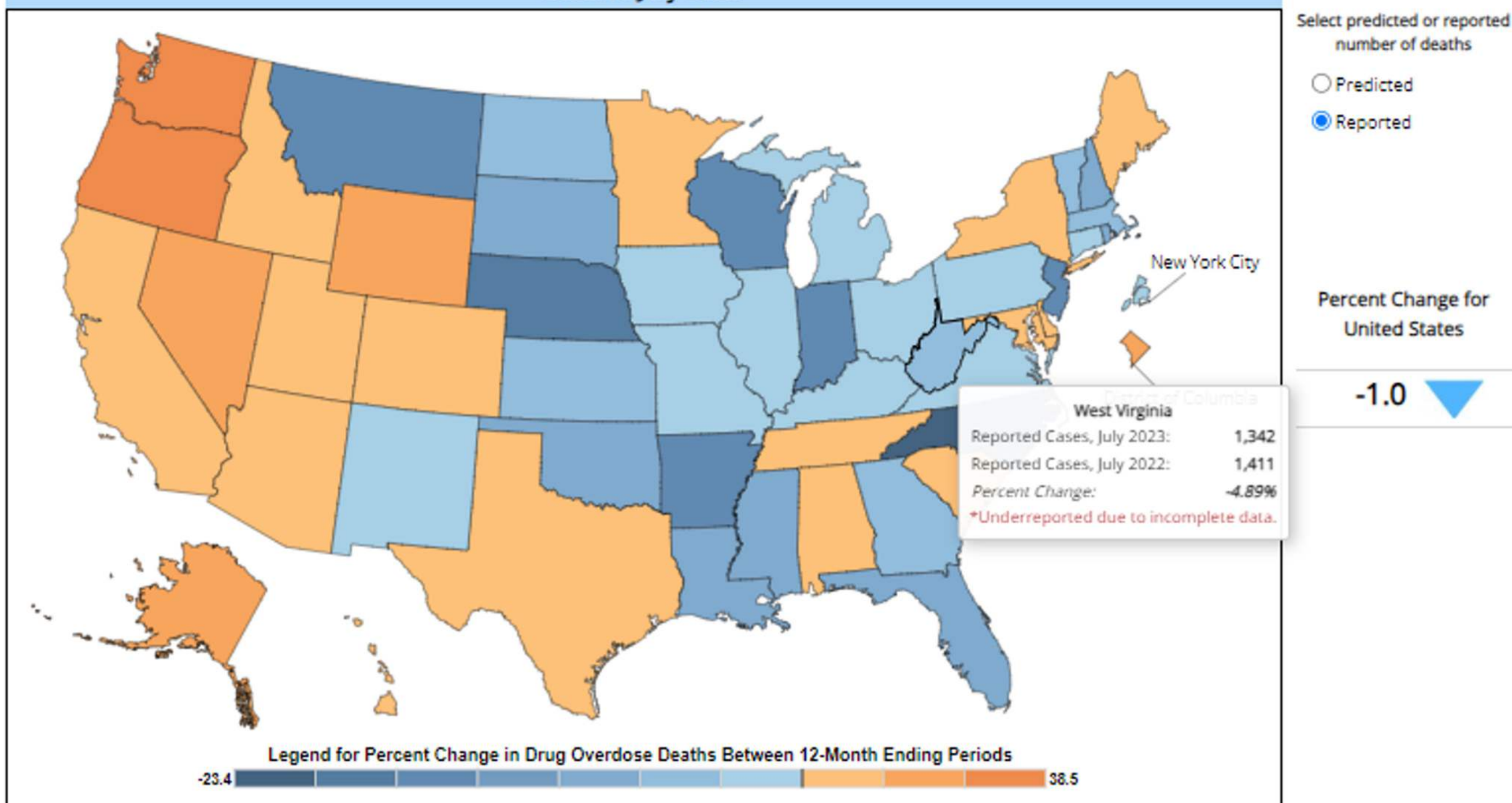


CDC Provisional Drug Overdose Counts



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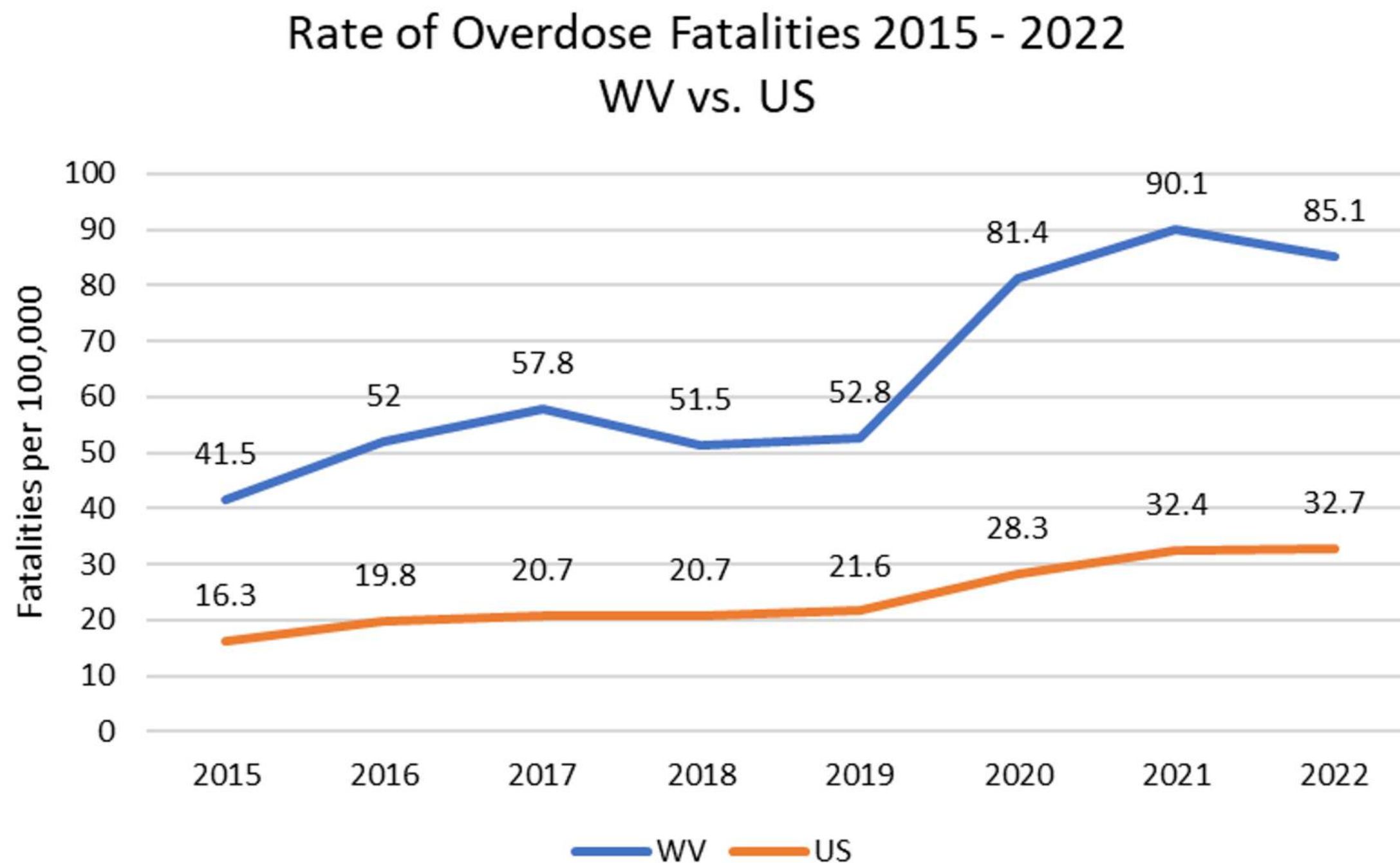
Figure 1b. Percent Change in Reported 12 Month-ending Count of Drug Overdose Deaths, by Jurisdiction: July 2022 to July 2023



Comparative Overdose Fatality Rates



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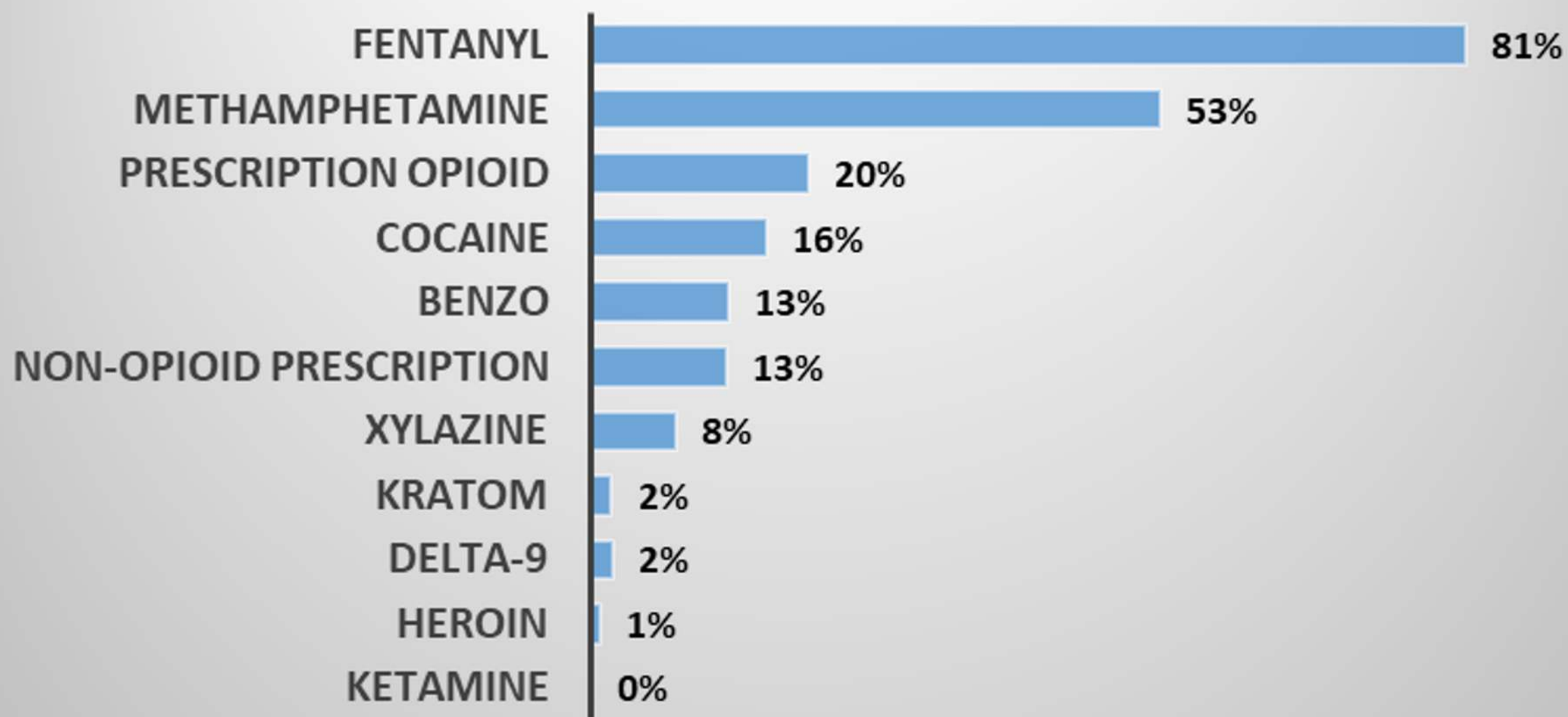


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Percentage of Decedents Found with Drug by Category through October 2023

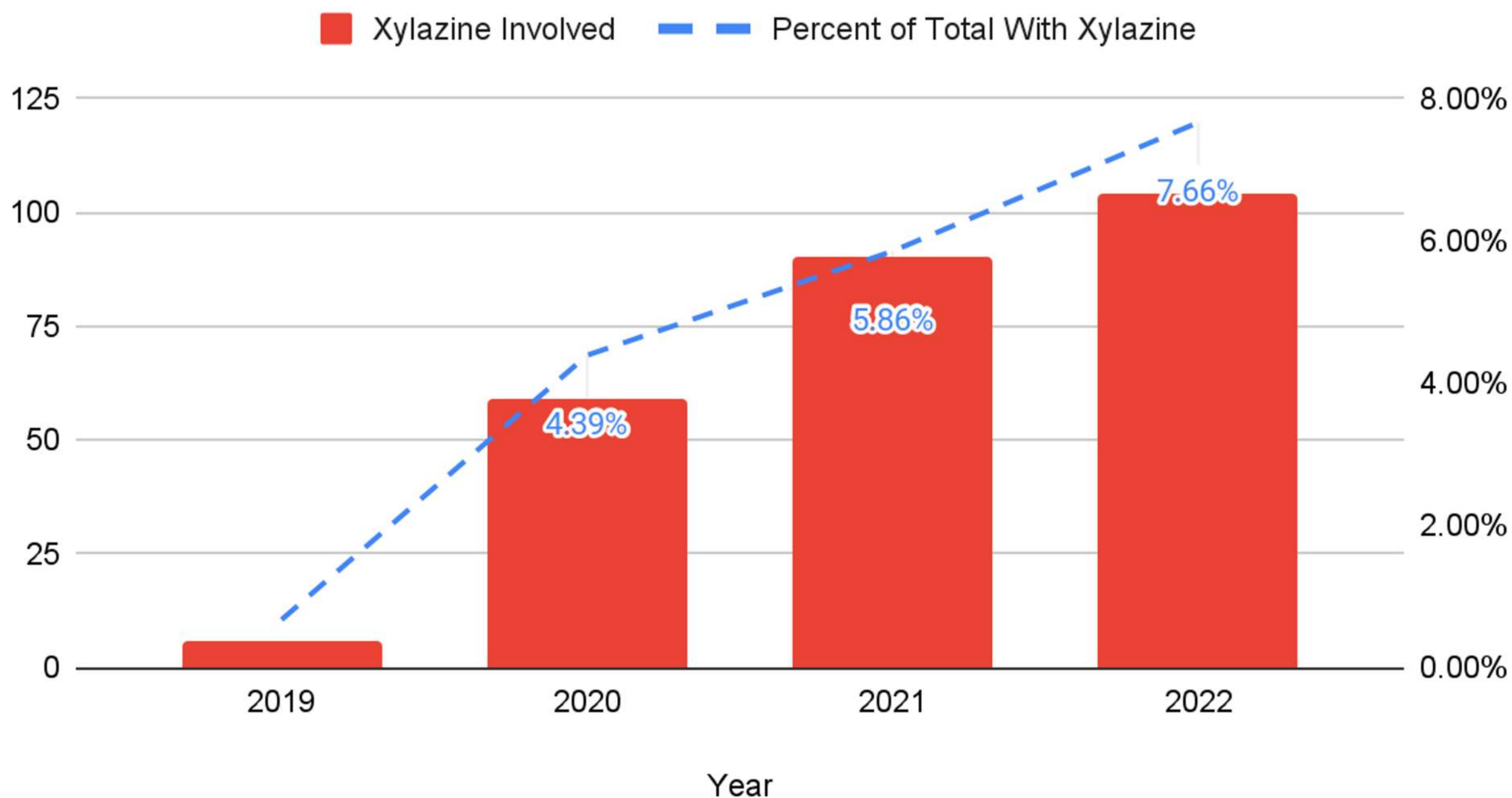


Casual Substances



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Total Overdose Fatalities and Xylazine Involved





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Prevention

Primary Prevention



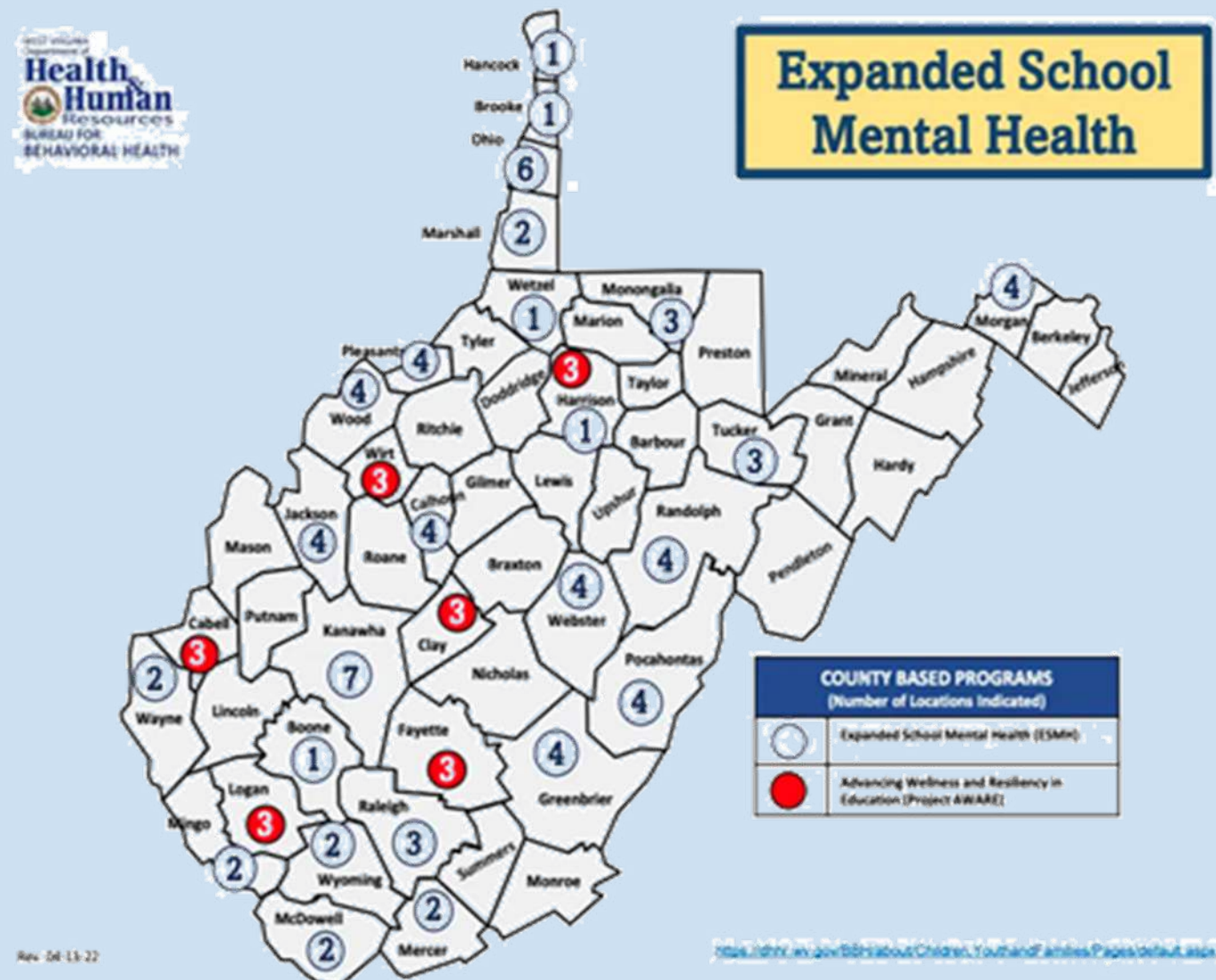
Don't Keep Rx Around

- A curriculum and public health campaign that utilizes evidence-based practices to teach medication safety to students and families in West Virginia was implemented in 60% of counties.
- First and second grades implemented the program by the end of 2023.
- Third and fourth grades will implement the program in early 2024.

Primary Prevention

Expanded School Mental Health (ESMH)

- Grant-funded ESMH services are now available in 90 schools across 30 West Virginia counties.
- ESMH is a multi-tiered system of support where schools, families, and strategic community partners work together to enhance student mental health in schools.

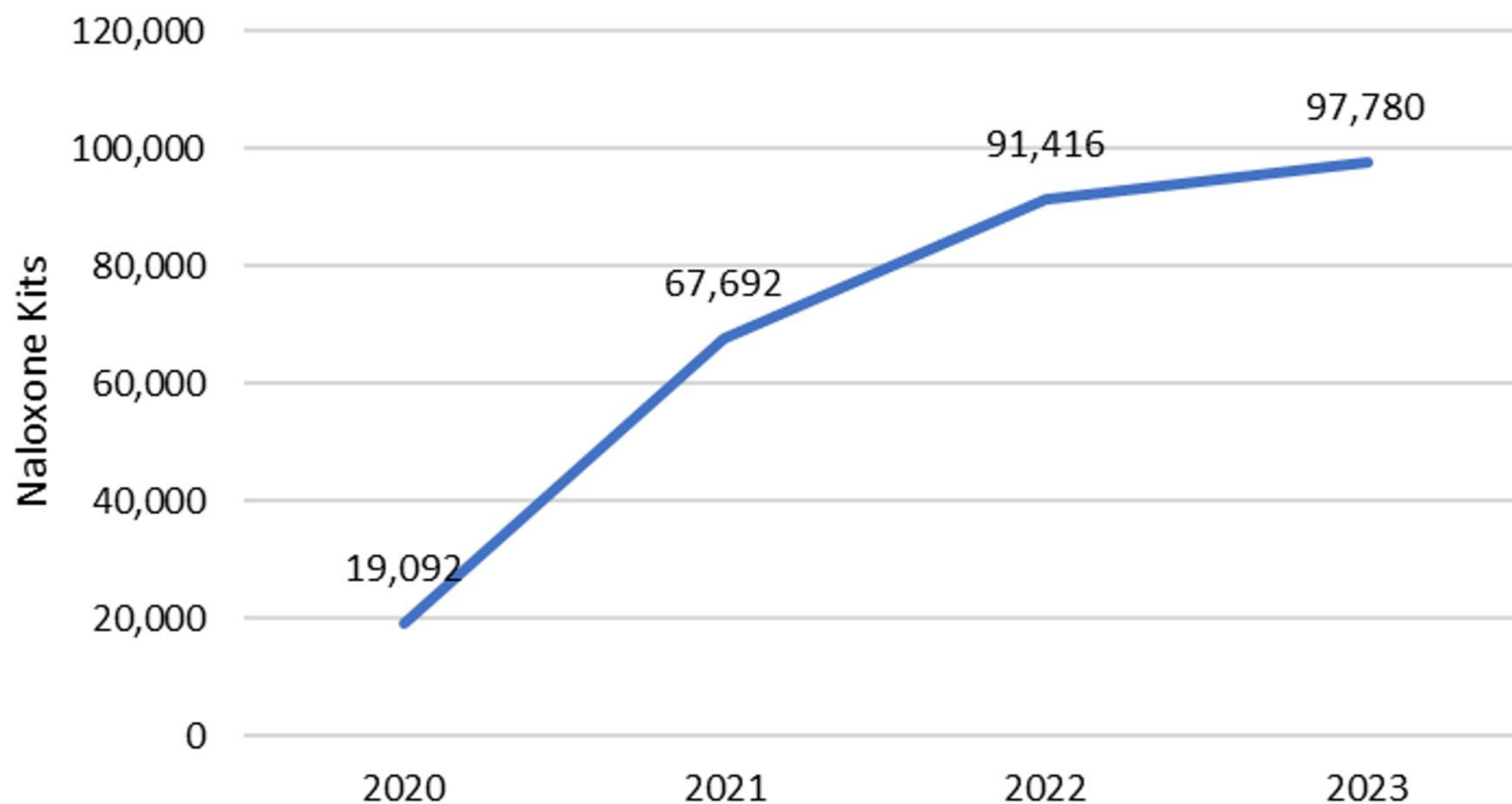


Overdose Prevention



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Naloxone Distribution

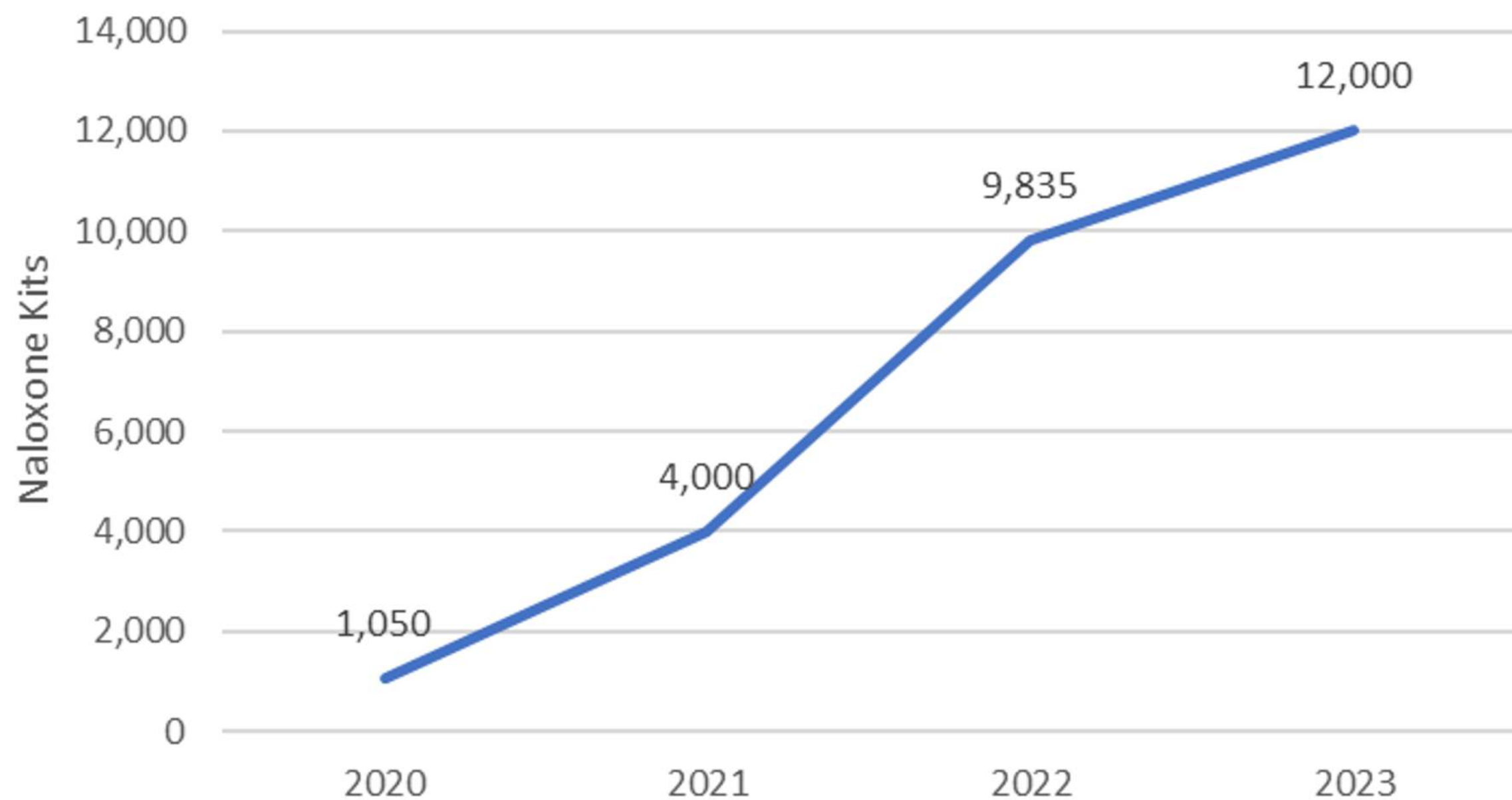


Save-A-Life Day



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Save-a-Life Day 2020 - 2023



Naloxone in Schools



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Narcan Updates for Public Schools in West Virginia



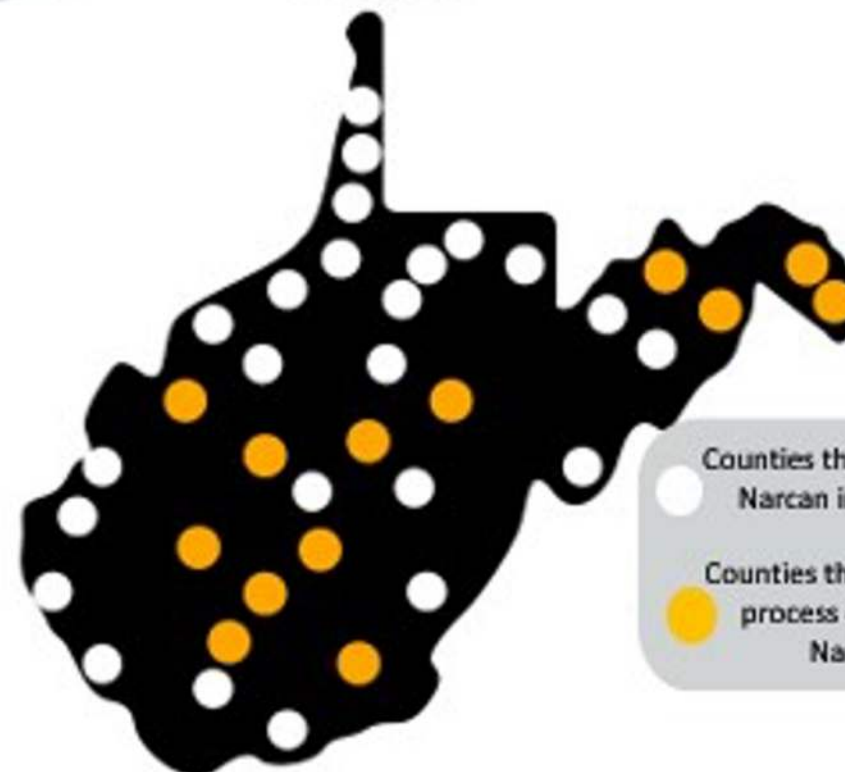
Schools may use stock
opioid antagonist
permitted by W.Va. Code
§18-5-22(d).



County boards must
follow the
protocols/standards
for dosage set forth
by the West Virginia
Department of
Health.



A certified school RN
may train other
designated school
personnel to
administer an opioid
antagonist.



Counties that have
Narcan in stock

Counties that are in the
process of getting
Narcan

Overdose Prevention



Regional Drug Control Coordinators

- Provides strategic linkage to Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) programs, harm reduction initiatives, and the targeted distribution of Naloxone and fentanyl test strips.
- This program uses real-time data to drive active overdose response efforts for those at most risk for overdose.
- Distributed over 25,000 doses of naloxone and 20,000 fentanyl test strips.
- Over two million digital messages have been disseminated with the use of geofencing technology to increase impact.
- Functional overdose predictive models are operational in Ohio, Berkeley, Wood, and Cabell counties to identify areas at high risk of overdose spikes.



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Education & Outreach

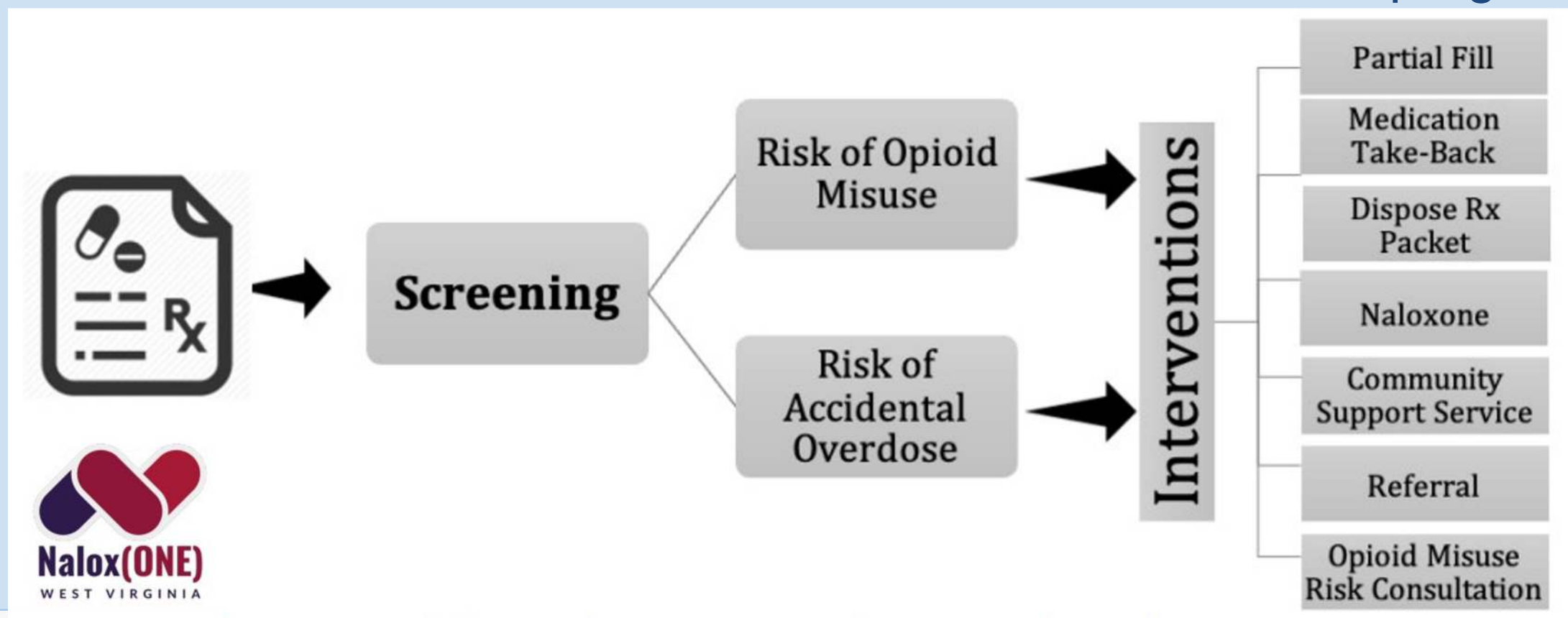
SUD & Stigma Trainings



- ODCP continued to conduct quarterly stigma trainings to 69 Child Protective Services (CPS) workers.
- For the first time, ODCP was invited to provide Addiction 101 training to all West Virginia jail unit managers and all prison associate wardens.
- ODCP staff provide new cadets at the West Virginia State Police with SUD training.
- DoHS's Bureau for Behavioral Health's (BBH) State Opioid Response (SOR) office is working on the First Responders - Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act that will provide first responders with a series of three trainings focused on compassion fatigue and stigma.

Nalox(ONE)

- Program was launched in April 2022.
- The program assists pharmacists in educating patients about the dangers of opioids, how to administer naloxone, and proper disposal of medications.
- Seventeen individual pharmacies across West Virginia opted to participate in the NaloxONE program.
- To date, 153 doses of naloxone have been distributed via this program.





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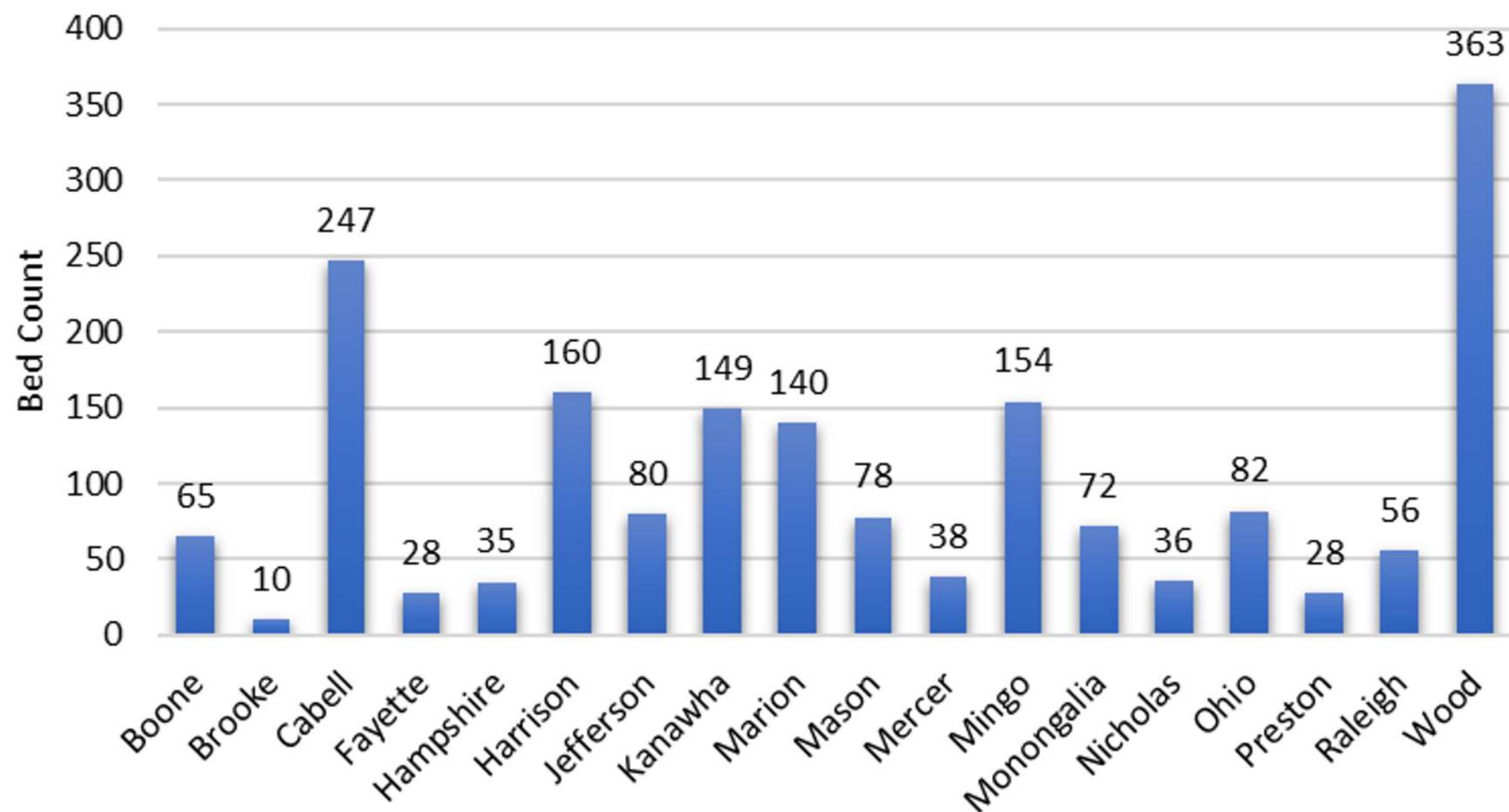
Treatment

Residential Treatment Capacity



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Licensed Treatment Beds by County (1,677) +36 Beds (St. Francis) = 1,713



Law Enforcement Response

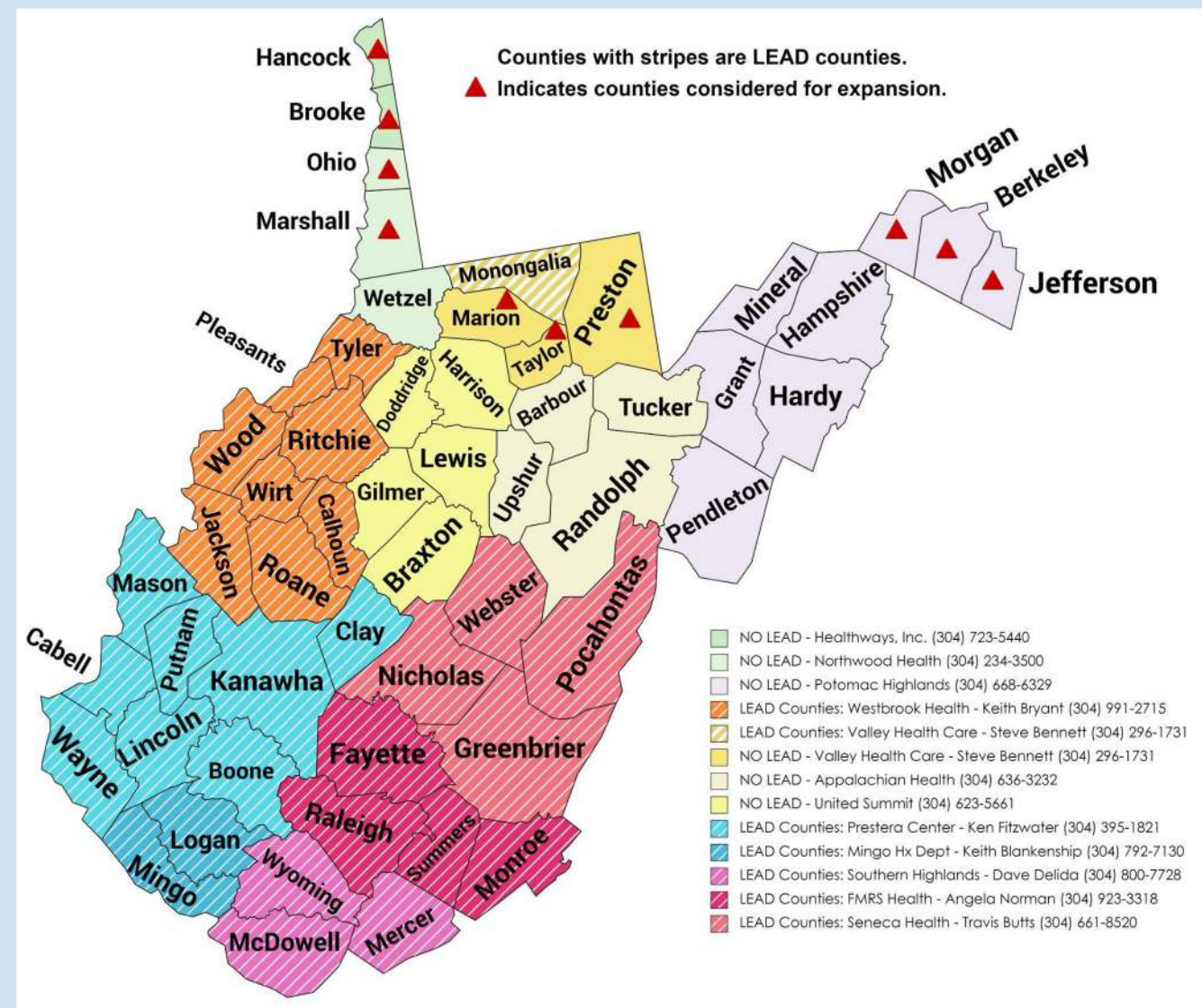


Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)

- 1,111 individuals referred to treatment in 2023
- 30 counties covered with expansion to Ohio, Marion, Taylor, Preston, and Berkeley counties and include two additional comprehensive behavioral health centers for 2024

Angel Initiative

- Began in March 2023
- Three referrals tracked



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Police and Peers (PnP)

- The Fayetteville Police Department, Morgantown Police Department, and Logan County Sheriff are actively implementing the PnP program.
- Since program start-up earlier in the year, PnP staff has distributed 363 naloxone kits and 238 fentanyl test strips.
- The Peer Recovery Support Specialists (PRSS) have referred 32 individuals to treatment and four have initiated MOUD.

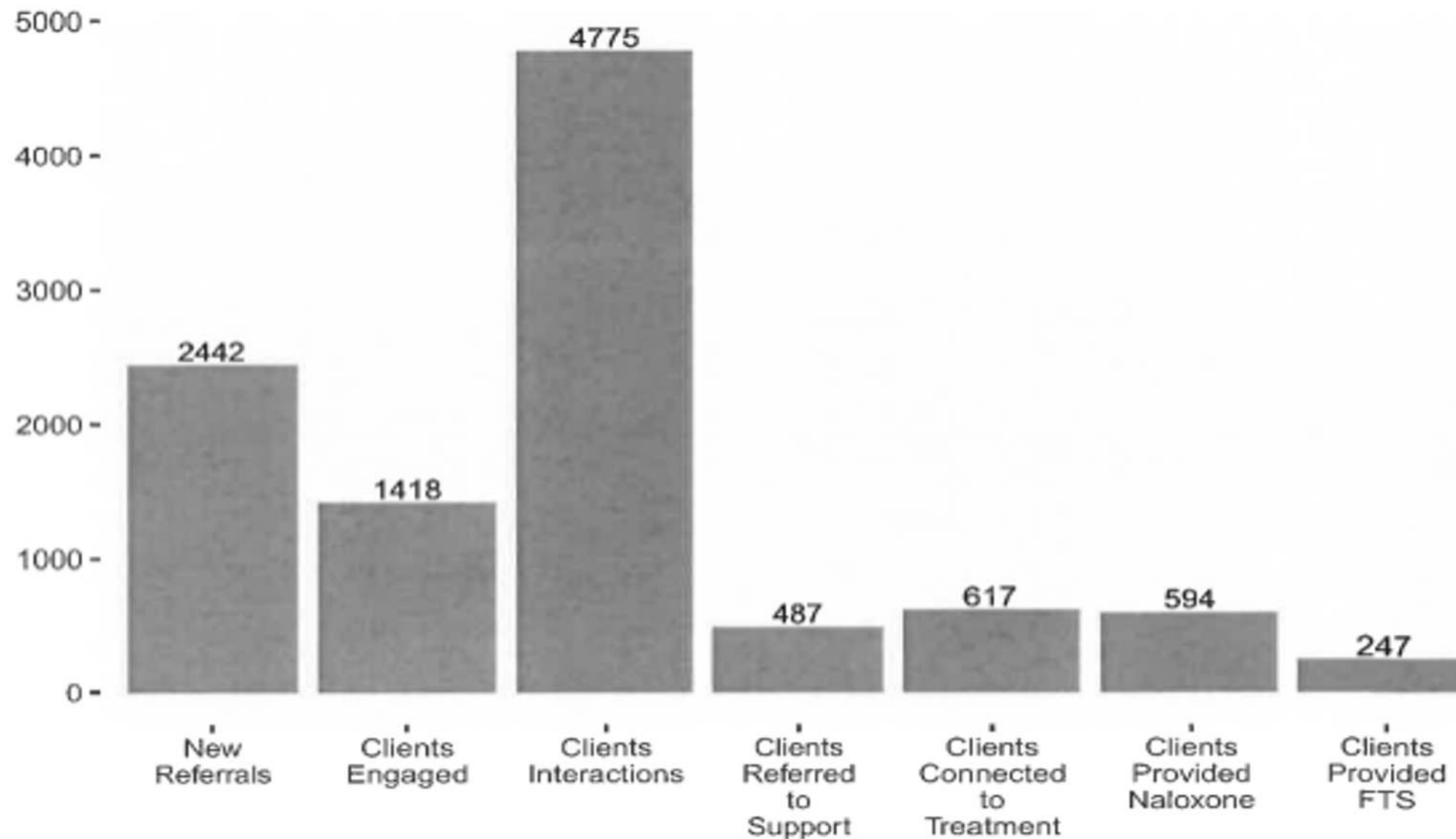
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Quick Response Team (QRT)

- 35 QRTs cover 39 counties



Courts & Justice Involved Populations



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FAMILY TREATMENT COURTS



**473 OUT
OF 763**

Admitted from referrals

672

Dependents served since
October 2019

176

Graduates since October
2019

PHYSICAL REUNIFICATIONS

242

Dependents reunified since
October 2019

306.8

Overall average days to
reunification

LEGAL REUNIFICATIONS

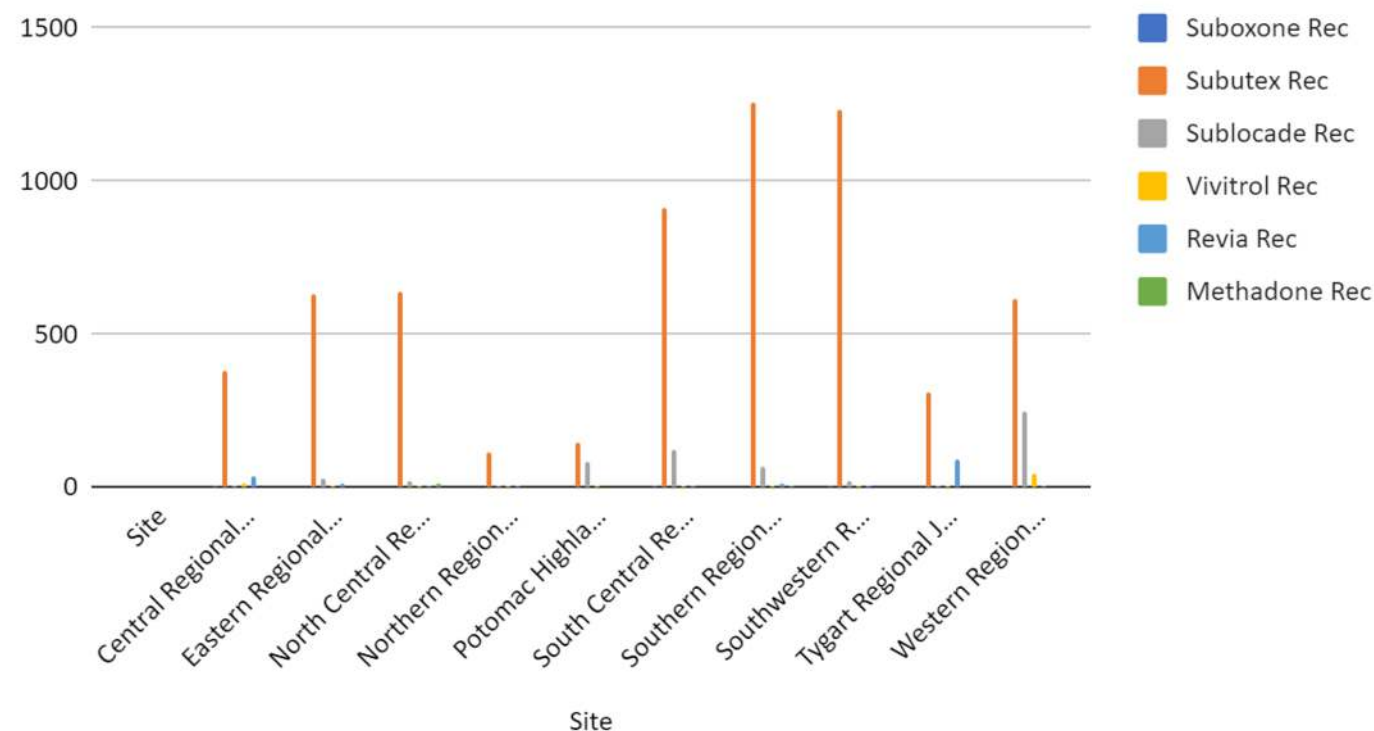
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Dependents achieving
permanency since October
2019

464.5

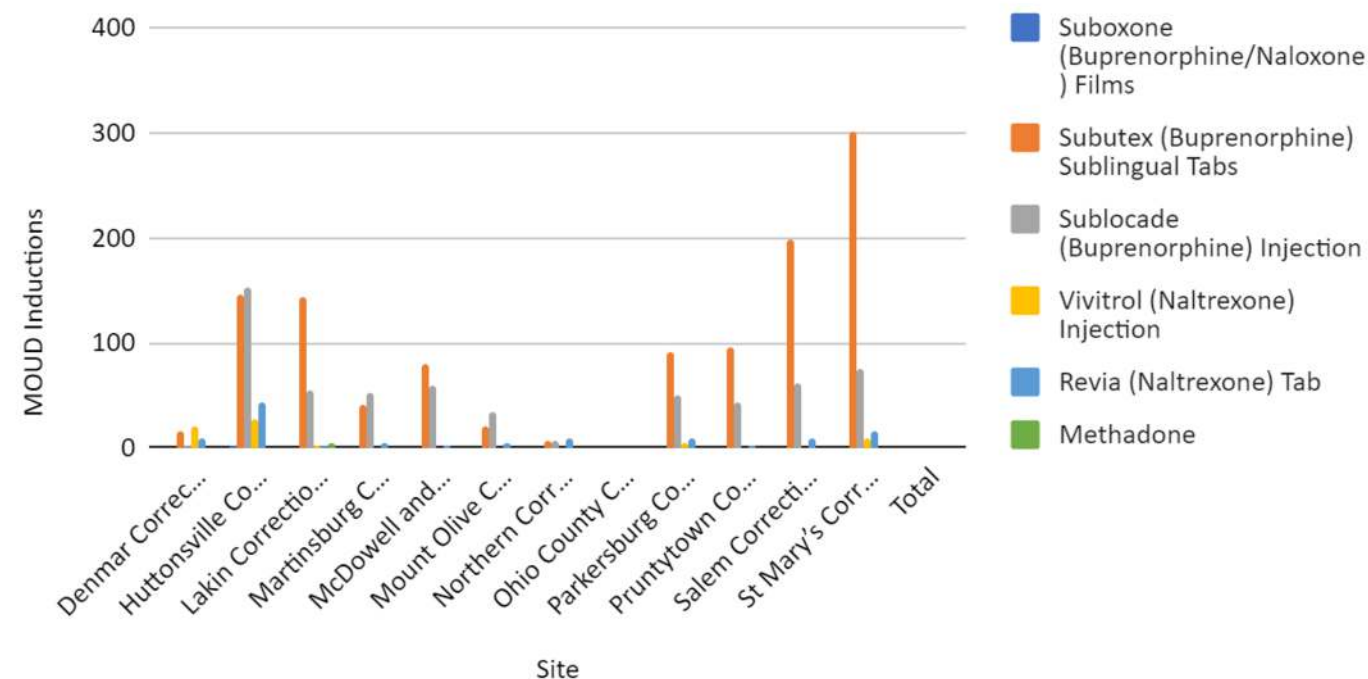
Overall average days in
permanency

MOUD IN JAILS



WV MOUD IN PRISONS

August 2023-December 2023



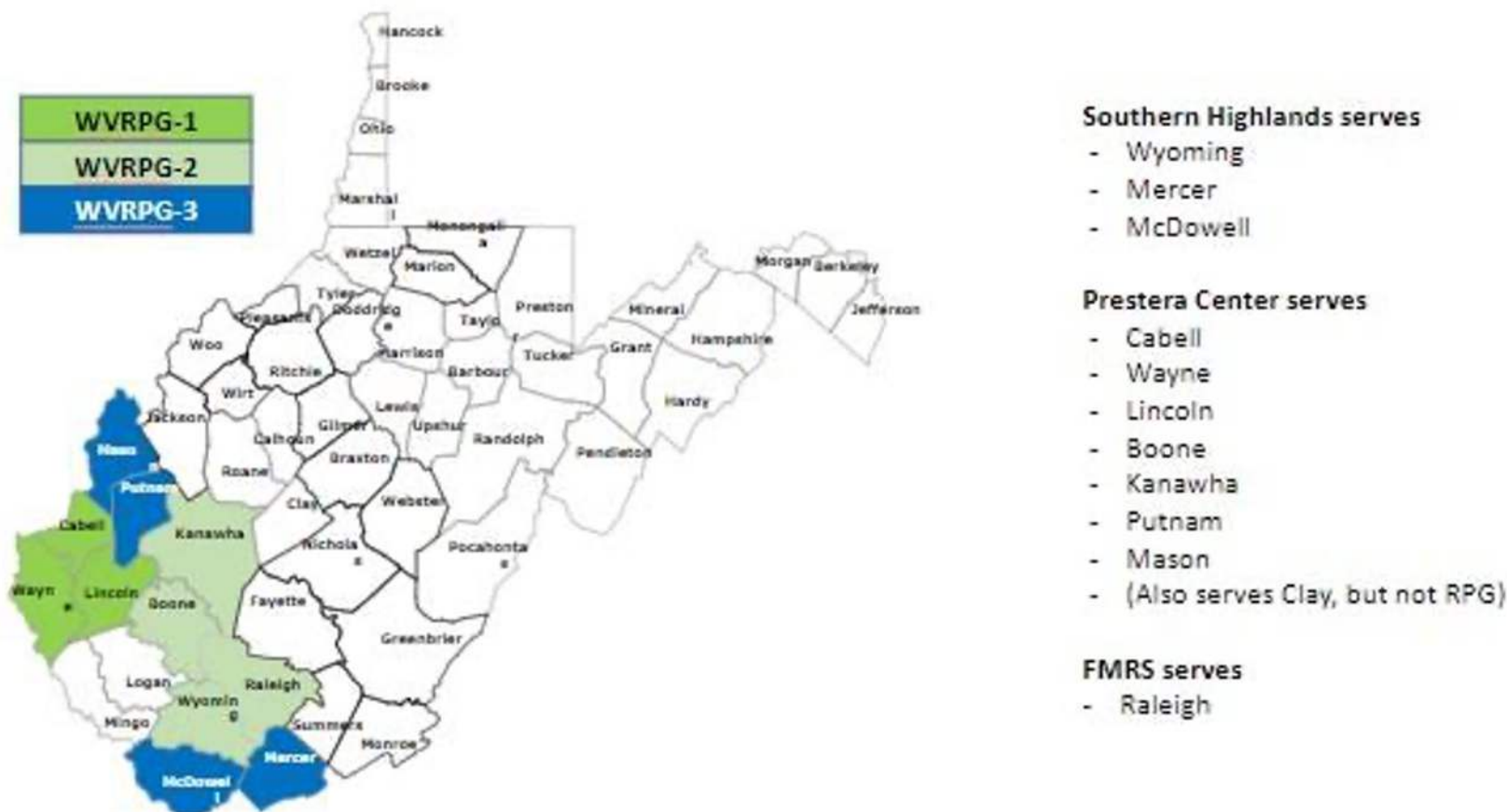
Child Welfare Response



Regional Partnership Grant (RPG)

- In mid-2023, the Sobriety Treatment and Recovery Teams (START) program was dissolved and RPG was expanded to increase wrap around services.
- 1,000 families were served.

The West Virginia Regional Partnership Grant Service area



Hospital Response



Project Engage

- The Project Engage model focuses on expanding the capacity of hospitals to treat those with SUD to include SUD protocols embedded in the EMR, access to a PRSS on the inpatient floors, universal screening, MOUD induction, and referral to care post discharge.
- Launched in January 2023.

West Virginia Hospital Association Opioid Response Initiative

- The initiative for hospital-based access to treatment and recovery was established to encourage universal screening, ED-based peer recovery specialists, and ED-initiated MOUD in hospitals across West Virginia.
 - Level 1 - Engagement highlights hospitals that are in the process of planning for the implementation of education, screening, intervention, and Naloxone distribution.
 - Level 2 - Implementation highlights hospitals that have instituted best practices.
- The Honors Program released the SUD topic in January and ended 2023 with 29 hospitals completing Level 2 engagement.



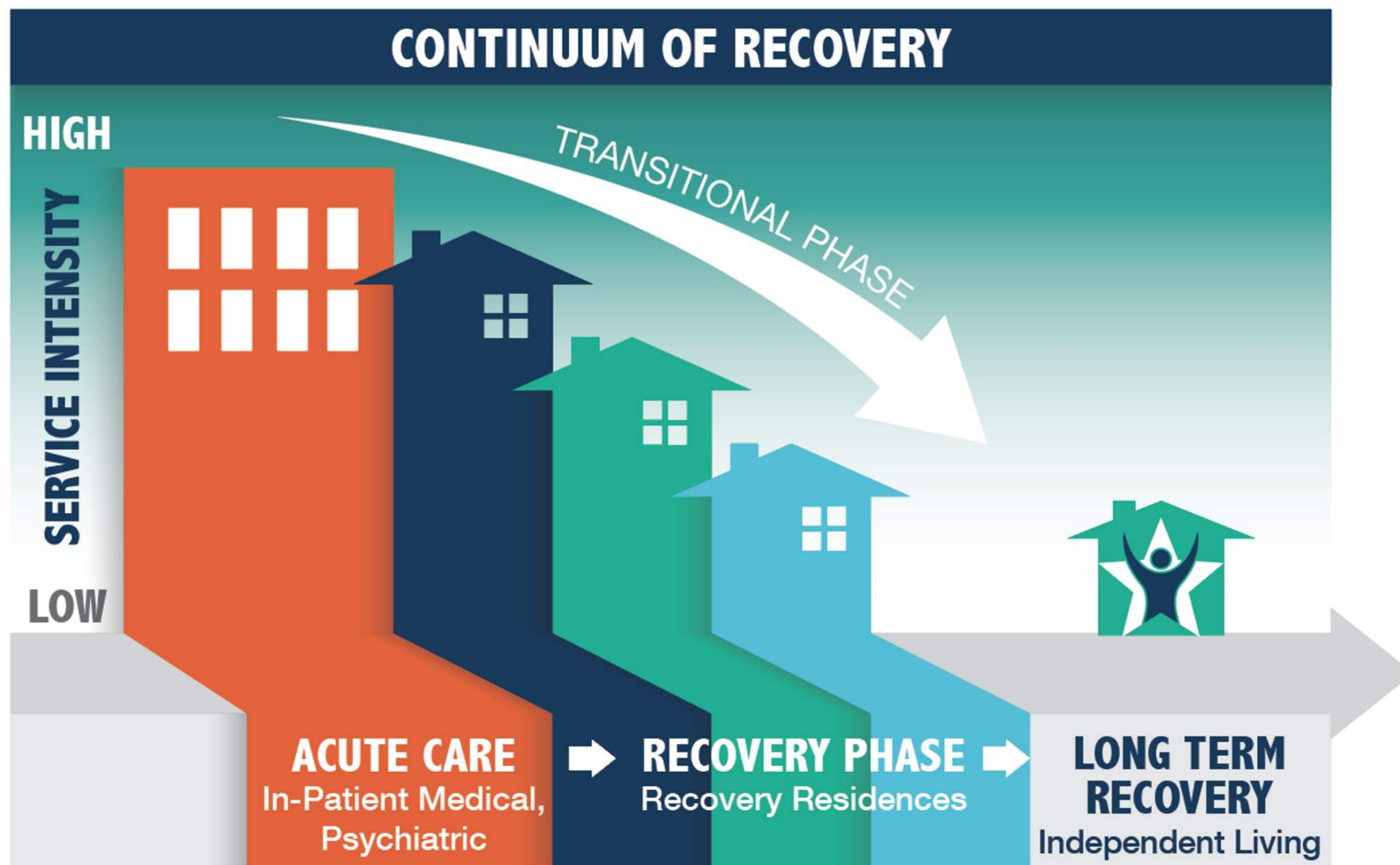
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Recovery

Service Intensity Spectrum



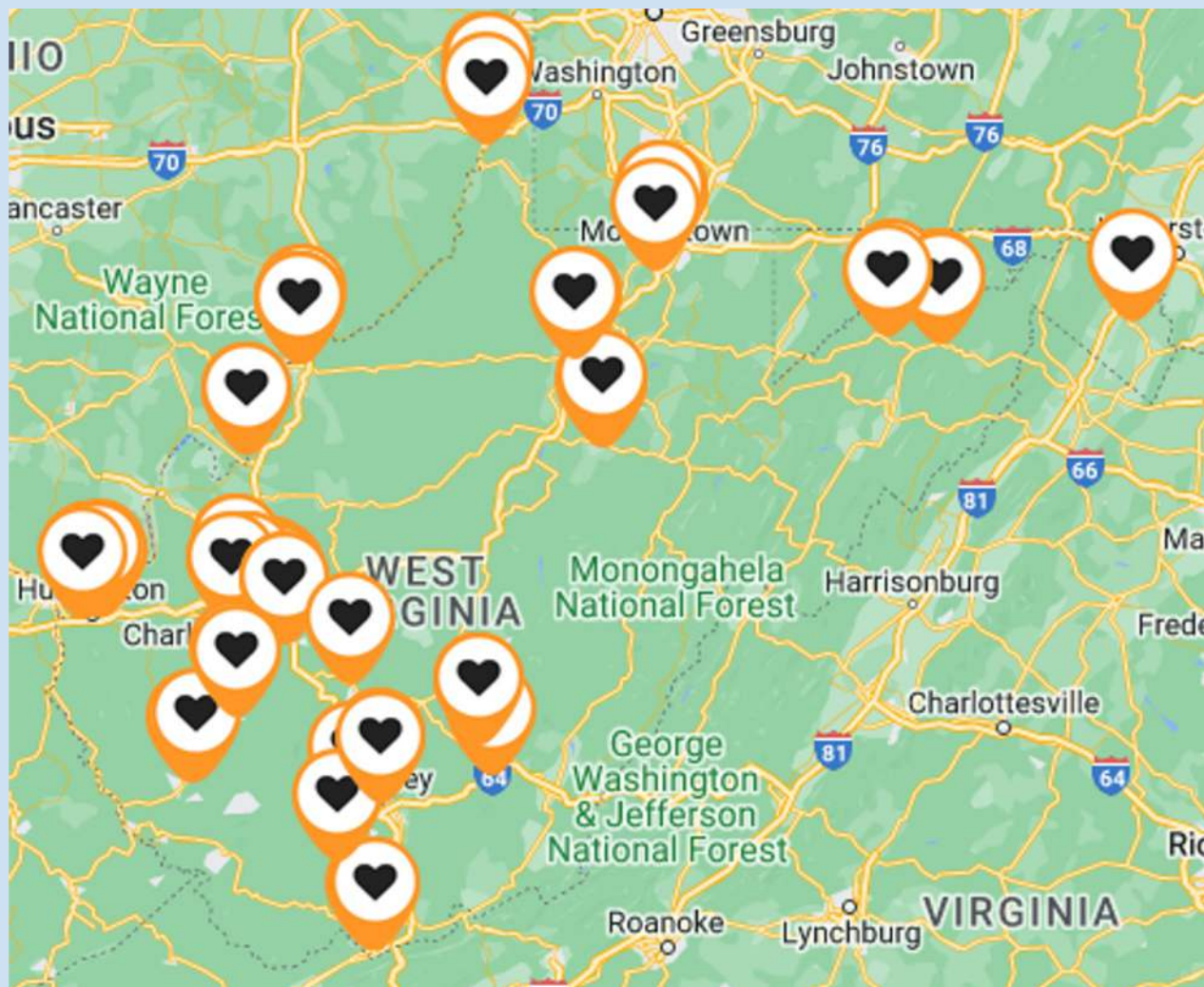
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Recovery Housing



West Virginia Alliance of Recovery Residences (WVARR)



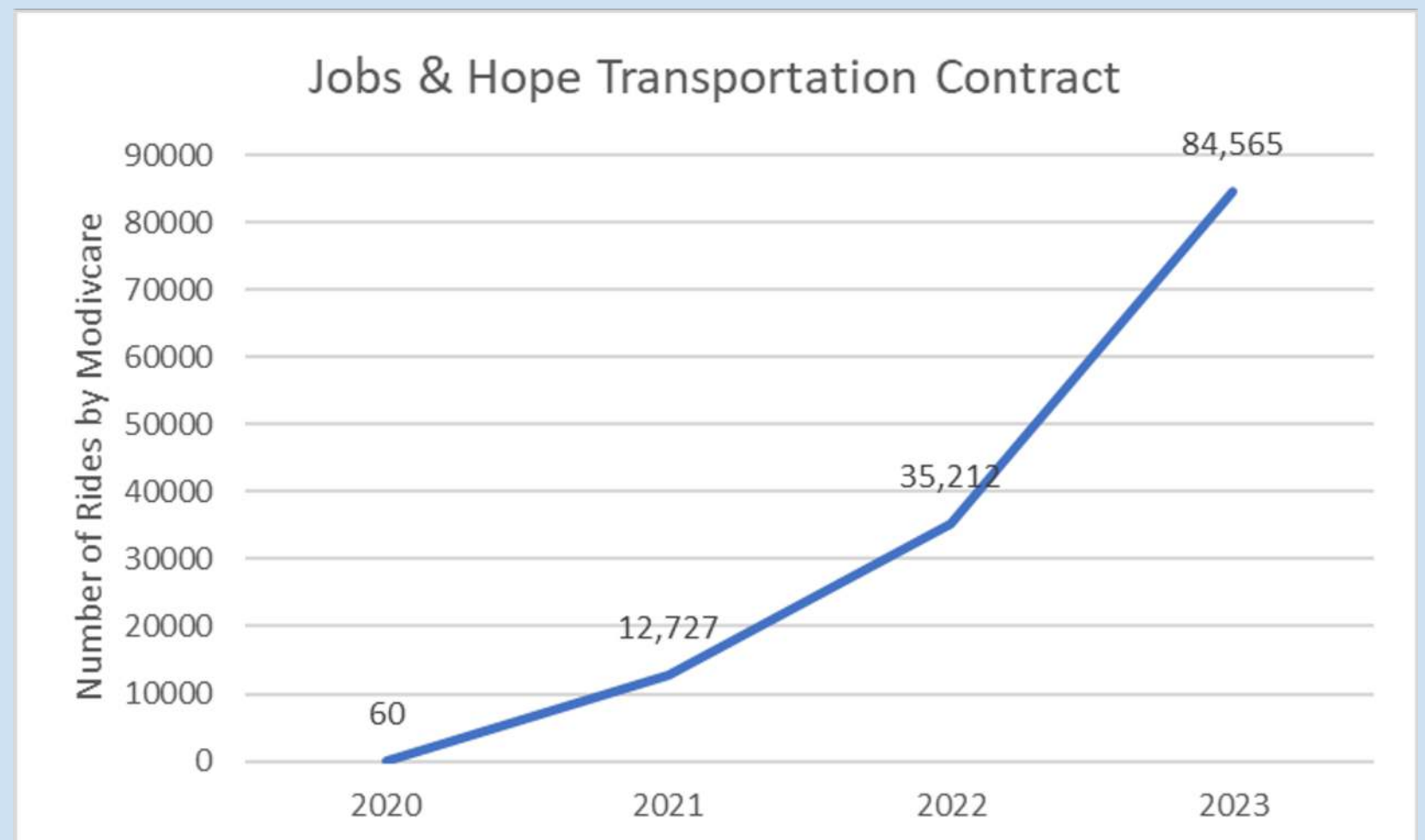
- Total Residences currently in process: 217
- Total residences in West Virginia: 228
- Percent engagement: 95%
- Percent certified of total residences: 50%
- Percent of certified engaged residences: 53%
- Certified Residences: 115
- Total certified beds: 1,597
- Beds for Women: 541
- Beds for Women with Children: 74
- Beds for Men: 929
- Coed Beds: 125

Jobs & Hope WV



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- **ODCP provides recovery support services and funding to eliminate barriers for Jobs & Hope WV participants:**
 - PRSS services - 788
 - Drug Screening Services - 8,445
 - Referral Call Line - 11,497
 - Dental and Vision - 1214
 - Transportation - 84,565
 - Cars Donated - 170
 - Childcare - 76
 - Tattoo Removal - 12
 - 50+ Jobs Created



Collegiate Recovery Programs



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2927 Individual
Support Sessions
Provided



5264 Group Support
Sessions
Provided



7589 Trained on
Overdose
Prevention



8436 Naloxone
Kits
Distributed



4773 Rx Disposal
Kits
Distributed



3724 Fentanyl Test
Strips
Distributed



22584 Outreach Encounters

Priorities & Next Steps



- **The 2024 Priorities and Implementation Plan will be published once approved by the Governor's Council on Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment**
- **Development of Outcomes Dashboard in accordance with W. Va. §16-5T-4**
- **Continued engagement of the Recovery Residence Taskforce**
 - Recovery Rights Advocacy Network in Recovery Community Organizations
- **Overdose prevention through targeted interventions using near real-time data**
 - Regional Coordinators
 - Spike alerts
 - Naloxone and Fentanyl Test Strip distribution
- **Continued collaboration with Jobs & Hope WV to eliminate barriers to education, training, and career employment**
 - Statewide Recovery Friendly Workplace Initiative
 - Transportation Innovations
- **Public Education initiatives to increase understanding of Substance Use Disorders and Stigma Awareness**
 - Identify groups, that interact with substance use disorder/high-risk population frequently, to train

Strategic Plan & Next Steps



- **Expanding treatment and recovery supports for families interacting with the Child Protective Services (CPS)**
 - Regional Partnership Grant match to provide wraparound services and Peer Recovery Support services to individuals with CPS involvement
 - Expansion of RPG in areas with inflated CPS involvement
- **Expanding emergency department and hospital engagement in best practices for SUD treatment**
 - Project Engage
 - West Virginia Hospital Association Opioid Response Initiative
- **Strengthening relationships with partners in Law Enforcement and Corrections**
 - The Angel Initiative
 - Police and Peers
 - Law Enforcement Liaison embedded at ODCP
 - Law Enforcement Assisted Diversion (LEAD)
 - Naloxone vending machine pilot with BBH
 - Law Enforcement Liaison

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