

# Opioid Use Disorder Treatment and Reentry Best Practices with Short Jail Stays

---

Pew Charitable Trusts and  
Hudson County, NJ Department of Housing & Community Reintegration

Bureau of Justice Assistance (BJA)  
Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT)  
Program for State Prisoners  
Training and Technical Assistance Resource

*This project was supported by grant No. 2019-J2-BX-K001 awarded by the Bureau of Justice Assistance. The Bureau of Justice Assistance is a component of the Office of Justice Programs, which also includes the Bureau of Justice Statistics, the National Institute of Justice, the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, the SMART Office, and the Office for Victims of Crime. Point of view or opinions in this document are those of the author and do not represent the official position or policies of the United States Department of Justice.*



This event is being recorded.



Audio is now broadcasting.

A black and white photograph of a microphone and a computer keyboard. The microphone is in the upper right, angled towards the left. The keyboard is in the lower left, with keys visible. A semi-transparent blue rectangle covers the middle of the image, containing white text.

Audio is provided through your computer speakers.

Your line is automatically muted.


Please type in the ALL QUESTIONS box if you require a phone connection.

# All Questions and Download Materials Pod

ALL QUESTIONS - PLEASE USE FOR CONTENT QUESTIONS AND TECH SUPPORT


> Emily | TECH: Need tech support? Have a question for our speaker? Reach out to us here!

Type here

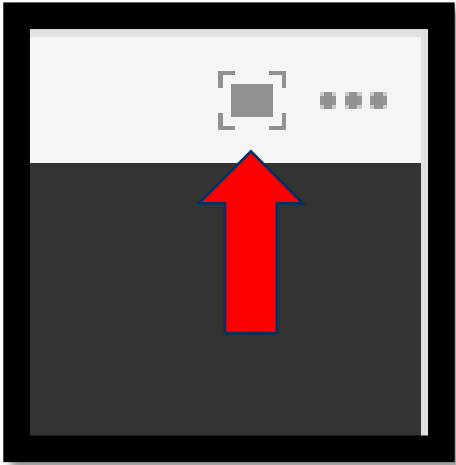


DOWNLOAD MATERIALS HERE

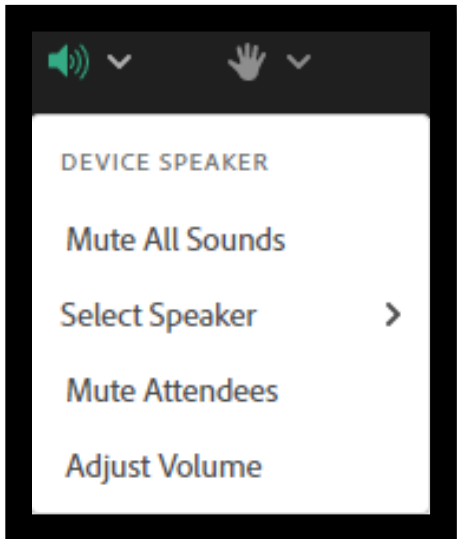
1. RSAT Manual 03.17.21



# Customize Your Experience



Use the Full Screen Icon to enlarge the presentation screen (and the same arrows to shrink it back to size)



Use the drop-down menu by the computer speaker icon to adjust and select your speakers

Type in the chat box and  
tell us where you're  
joining from.





THE PEW CHARITABLE TRUSTS

# Opioid use disorder treatment and reentry best practices with short jail stays

---

Alexandra Duncan, Frank Mazza & Oscar Aviles | April 7, 2021

[pewtrusts.org](https://pewtrusts.org)

# Disclosures

We have no conflicts of interest

# Learning Objectives

After this session, participants should be able to:

1. Define characteristics of successful jail MOUD programs
2. Describe why continuity of care is important
3. List components of a comprehensive reentry program
4. Identify ways to incorporate aspects of Hudson County, NJ's reentry program into their facility's reentry program

# Today's Topics

- Characteristics of successful MOUD programs
- Comprehensive reentry program characteristics
- Spotlight on Hudson County, NJ



## Substance Use Prevention and Treatment Initiative

Through its Substance Use Prevention and Treatment Initiative, Pew works to advance state and federal policies that address the toll of substance misuse, including expanded access to evidence-based treatment.

# Pew Resources

Brief THE PEW CHARITABLE TRUSTS April 2020



## Opioid Use Disorder Treatment in Jails and Prisons

Medication provided to incarcerated populations saves lives

### Overview

The most effective therapy for people with opioid use disorder (OUD) involves the use of Food and Drug Administration-approved medications—methadone, buprenorphine, and naltrexone. Despite evidence that this approach, known as medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD), reduces relapse and saves lives, the vast majority of jails and prisons do not offer this treatment. This brief examines what policymakers should consider when exploring how to best manage OUD in incarcerated populations.

It helps to first answer this question: How common is OUD in incarcerated populations? Data from 2007-2009 (the most recent available) showed that more than half of individuals in state prisons or those with jail sentences met the criteria for a non-alcohol and nicotine-related substance use disorder (SUD), meaning a problematic pattern of using a drug that results in impairment in daily life or noticeable distress, compared with only 5 percent of adults in the general population.

Brief THE PEW CHARITABLE TRUSTS April 2020



## How States and Counties Can Help Individuals With Opioid Use Disorder Re-Enter Communities

People need access to proven treatment, consistent care post-incarceration

### Overview

At least 95 percent of individuals in state prisons will eventually return to communities. In fact, in a typical year more than half a million people do so, with many more coming from jails. A disproportionate share of these individuals have one or more chronic illnesses, including more than half who met the criteria for a non-alcohol and nicotine-related substance use disorder (SUD), from 2007 to 2009, according to the latest available data. The percentages are likely substantially higher now, however, because of what the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has described as the current opioid epidemic.

The prospect for a successful re-entry by these individuals is strongly affected by their ability to access health care services post-release, particularly treatment for their SUD.<sup>1</sup> The ability to access care is critical, as the time immediately following release can be particularly dangerous for overdose. Individuals who have been relatively or completely opioid-free behind bars have a reduced tolerance to the drug, and therefore are at high risk of overdose if they resume use at their previous levels.

# Successful jail MOUD programs

Institutional  
champion

Staff buy-in

Medicaid  
suspension,  
not  
termination

Reach-in  
services &  
continuity  
of care

# Reentry: Importance of Care Continuity

- At least 95 percent of individuals in state prisons will eventually return to communities,<sup>1</sup> with many more returning from jails.<sup>2</sup>
- Increased risk of overdose and death in the weeks post-release.<sup>3</sup>

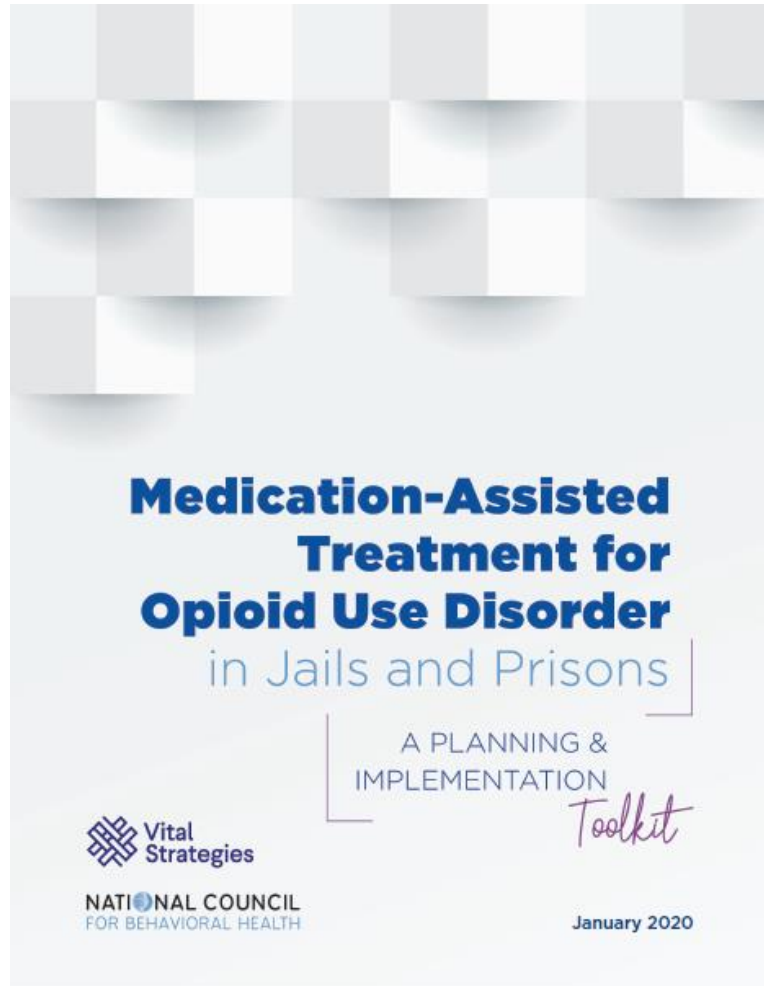


# Reentry: Components of Comprehensive Programs

1. Access to affordable, on-going, widely accepted form of health insurance (usually Medicaid)
2. Comprehensive pre-release reentry planning
3. Physical access (proximity) to good quality, culturally competent, inter-linked treatment providers

# How to show success

## Component 6: Data Monitoring and Evaluation Metrics



# Spotlight on Hudson County, NJ



# QUESTIONS

▶ Type your questions in the Q&A box on your screen.



## Speaker Contact Info:

**ALEX DUNCAN** | [aduncan@pewtrusts.org](mailto:aduncan@pewtrusts.org)

202.540.6301

[www.pewtrusts.org/substancemisuse](http://www.pewtrusts.org/substancemisuse)

## Speaker Contact Info:

**FRANK MAZZA** | [fmazza@hcnj.us](mailto:fmazza@hcnj.us)

**OSCAR AVILES** | [oaviles@hcnj.us](mailto:oaviles@hcnj.us)

**JACQUELINE JETTER** | [jjetter@hcdfs.us](mailto:jjetter@hcdfs.us)

# CERTIFICATE OF ATTENDANCE

**Download Now!**

Certificate of Attendance

Name	Size
Download My Certificate	1 MB

Upload File...

Download File(s)



# CERTIFICATE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION



1 Continuing Education Hour (CEH) approved by NAADAC, the Association of Addiction Professionals



Pass 10-question quiz with 7 correct answers



Download certificate upon completion of the quiz

**April 7, 2021** RSAT webinar CEH quiz link:  
<https://survey.alchemer.com/s3/6279379/April-7-2021-RSAT-Webinar-CEH>

# CONTACT



<http://www.rsat-tta.com>



**Stephen Keller**

RSAT TTA Coordinator | [skeller@ahpnet.com](mailto:skeller@ahpnet.com)