SUPPORT for ME

Strengthening Substance Use Disorder Treatment and Recovery Services for MaineCare Members



PROJECT GOAL

This planning grant aims to increase MaineCare providers' capacity to deliver Substance Use Disorder (SUD) treatment and recovery services.

WHY?

Maine has one of the top 10 highest drug overdose rates in the country.

In 2019, there were 380 drug overdose deaths, with over 80% due to opioids, nearly always in combination with other drugs or alcohol.¹



WHO?

SUPPORT for ME is a statewide effort to improve SUD treatment and recovery services for all Mainers, with a particular focus on the following:

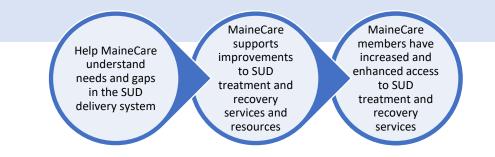
- Adolescents and youth (12-21)
- Individuals transitioning from care settings (e.g. leaving incarceration)
- American Indian / Alaska Native Nations
- Rural populations

LEARN and EVALUATE

- Estimate the number and percentage of MaineCare members who have SUD, including Opiate Use Disorder (OUD)
- Identify providers who have the capacity and willingness to expand their provision of SUD treatment and recovery services
- Analyze gaps in MaineCare-covered SUD treatment and recovery services statewide to find areas for improvement
- Through conversations with people impacted by SUD, identify barriers to accessing and utilizing SUD treatment and recovery services and create a plan to overcome them

IMPROVE SERVICES

- Expand telehealth capacity among SUD treatment and recovery providers.
- Create service locator tool so that people can better locate SUD providers, including prescribers, counselors, recovery centers, and other services they may need.
- Provide technical assistance and training to primary care providers to increase their ability to provide Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT).
- Review national and MaineCare payment rates and models for SUD treatment.



For more information, visit: <u>https://www.maine.gov/dhhs/oms/about-us/projects-initiatives/support-for-me</u> or contact Joanie Klayman (joan.klayman@maine.gov)

¹ Maine Drug Death Report for 2019

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