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## Colorado Opioid Abatement Region 4 Council: Evaluation of Jail-based Medication for Opioid Use Disorder Programs

Quarter 2 (October – December 2024)

In 2024, six jails within Colorado's Region 4 lost funding to support their medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD) programs. MOUD is an evidence-based treatment approach that uses medicine to help people with opioid use disorder (OUD) manage withdrawal symptoms and cravings. These programs are helpful for those with OUD but have been found to be especially helpful for individuals in jail who are re-entering society.

## Region 4 Jails

- Elbert County Jail
- Kit Carson Correctional Center
- Lincoln County Jail
- Logan County Detention Center
- Morgan County Jail
- Washington County Justice Center

When the Region 4 Opioid Abatement Council heard about these funding losses, the Board voted to approve \$100,000 of abatement funding during a one-year period to maintain the programs while the jails sought out new funding sources.

During this year, OMNI Institute, the contracted evaluator for Region 4, has been tracking how many people have been accessing MOUD through Region 4 funds each quarter. This report provides a summary of the MOUD programs' activities during the second quarter of the grant period (October 1, 2024 – December 31, 2024). In Quarter 2, data was provided for Logan, Morgan, and Washington Counties.



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Reported instances of MOUD were administered in the Region 4 jails



## **Demographics**

Below are the demographic information for the 15 unique individuals who received MOUD in a Region 4 jail in Q2.

