

# KORE

## KENTUCKY OPIOID RESPONSE EFFORT

**KORE's** mission is to expand and sustain an equitable recovery-oriented system of care and reduce opioid-related overdose deaths in the Commonwealth of Kentucky by increasing access to evidence-based prevention, harm reduction, treatment, and recovery support services.

Led by the Department for Behavioral Health, Developmental, and Intellectual Disabilities (**DBHDID**) within the Cabinet for Health and Family Services, KORE is federally-funded through formula grants distributed by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA).



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| STATE TARGETED RESPONSE (2017 - 2020)  | ➔ | <b>\$21.1 Million</b> |
| STATE OPIOID RESPONSE I (2018 - 2021)  | ➔ | <b>\$78.8 Million</b> |
| STATE OPIOID RESPONSE II (2020 - 2022) | ➔ | <b>\$70.9 Million</b> |

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF SERVICE EXPANSION



AVAILABLE STATEWIDE



ACCESSIBLE + EQUITABLE



PERSON-CENTERED + CULTURALLY APPROPRIATE



QUALITY + EVIDENCE BASED

### THE KORE FRAMEWORK



# HARM REDUCTION + PREVENTION

## NALOXONE SAVES LIVES



Naloxone (Narcan) is a safe medication that reverses opioid overdose by attaching to opioid receptors in the brain and blocking the effects of opioids. This allows an individual to resume breathing.

## OVERDOSE PREVENTION



In partnership with the **Department for Public Health** and the **KY Pharmacists Association**, a statewide naloxone program distributes free naloxone to Kentuckians since 2018.

## SYRINGE SERVICE PROGRAMS (SSPs)

SSPs reduce HIV and hepatitis C and connect people with resources like treatment, health care, and housing resources. KORE provides grants to **22** SSPs to facilitate these connections.

## HARM REDUCTION



Harm reduction is a set of practical strategies and ideas aimed at reducing negative consequences associated with substance use.

## OPIOID STEWARDSHIP

The KY Hospital Association Program + **112** hospitals

**GOAL** Improve Rx practices and reduce opioid prescriptions by 1/3



Enhancements to the **Kentucky All Schedule Prescription Electronic Reporting (KASPER)** system increased prescriber and pharmacist access to life-saving information

## SAFETY AT HOME

Regional Prevention Centers (RPCs) champion the '**Remove the Risk**' media campaign to promote prescription safety in the home

34,000

Newspaper Ad Views

51,000

Out-of-Home Views

25,000

Radio Impressions

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## PRIMARY PREVENTION



**REGIONAL COLLABORATION SPECIALISTS**

14 Collaboration Specialists completed **1,664** activities with **23,802** stakeholders



**YOUTH EMPOWERMENT SPECIALISTS**

14 Youth Empowerment Specialists completed **1,111** activities with **24,189** stakeholders



**YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID**

**38** individuals trained as trainers and have delivered six trainings to **900** community members



**37 Interns** were placed within **DBHDID**, **Regional Prevention Centers**, & **community stakeholder organizations**



**816** women & children served by **Early Childhood Consultants** providing education on development and attachment for parents of substance-exposed children

## K-12 & AFTER-SCHOOL PRIMARY PREVENTION PROGRAMS

**TOO GOOD FOR DRUGS**

112,230 Students Served

252 Schools

**SOURCES OF STRENGTH**

5,595 Peer Leaders

97 Schools

**POSITIVE ACTION**

2,895 Young People

11 Clubs

# TREATMENT

## MEDICATIONS FOR OPIOID USE DISORDER (MOUD)

MOUD saves lives. Methadone and buprenorphine reduce illicit drug use and fatal overdose by over 50%, as well as improve quality of life.

28,625 

KENTUCKIANS HAVE RECEIVED TREATMENT SERVICES THROUGH KORE-FUNDED INITIATIVES SINCE 2018



Licensed Residential



Intensive Outpatient



Methadone Treatment

## TREATMENT + METHADONE ACCESS

KORE serves as a payor of last resort for uninsured individuals needing **licensed residential, intensive outpatient, and methadone treatment**. The Treatment Access Program has served **5,172** individuals and the Methadone Access Program has served **1,074** individuals.

## INTEGRATED PRIMARY CARE + OUD TREATMENT

KORE-funded programs **integrate** OUD services into diverse health care settings and meet people where they are at. Settings include **Federally Qualified Health Centers, Primary Care Clinics, and Rural Health Clinics**. The KY Primary Care Association partners on this initiative.



## FAMILY SERVICES

KORE funds **START, TAP** and **KSTEP** program expansion to integrate **OUD** treatment for families involved with child welfare. **575** individuals have been served..

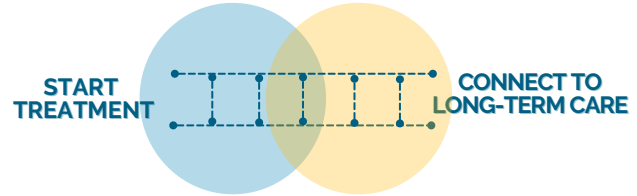
Addiction Services



Care Coordination

## BRIDGE TO TREATMENT

**Hospital Bridge Clinics** and **inpatient consultation services** have served **9,160** individuals by beginning SUD treatment, including MOUD, in the hospital.



Treatment programs delivered **MOUD** services to **10,356** individuals in settings including:



Jails & Prisons



Residential Treatment



Drug Courts



Community Pharmacies



Community Mental Health Centers



Pregnant & Parenting

## MOBILE TREATMENT

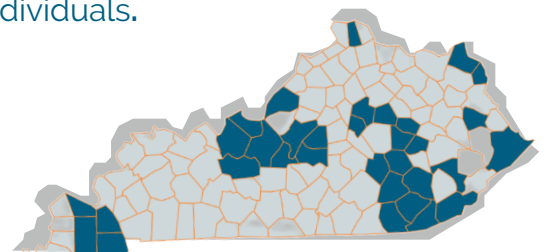


**Mobile** treatment in **rural** and **urban** settings provides engagement to communities with high rates of overdose and **disparities** in treatment access.

## QUICK RESPONSE TEAMS



**QRTs** provide **overdose** follow-up and engagement with survivors and their family. KORE-funded teams operate in **33** counties and have served **1,423** individuals.





# RECOVERY

## RECOVERY COMMUNITY CENTERS

RCCs provide centralized resources for community-based recovery supports. Over **4,000** clients have been served.

RCCs provide peer support, mutual aid, advocacy, and linkage to housing, education, employment, and transportation.



RCCs are not residences or treatment centers. RCCs serve as local hubs of community-based support.

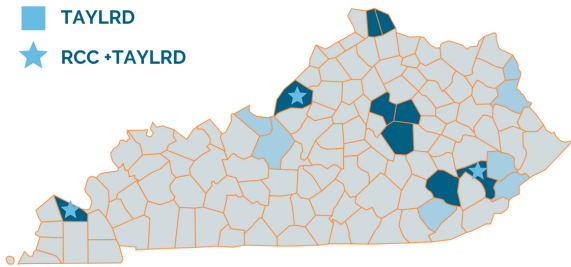


RCCs are led by people with lived experience.



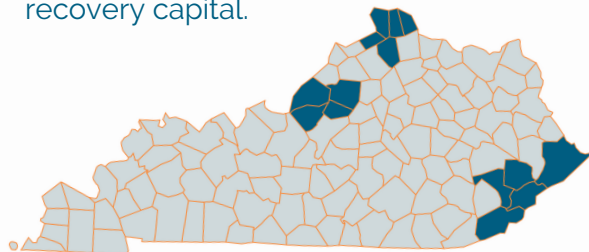
KORE funds **11** RCCs and **4** youth drop-in centers.

- RCC
- TAYLRD
- ★ RCC + TAYLRD



## ACCESS TO RECOVERY

Access To Recovery (ATR) has supported **2,229** individuals in building recovery capital by assisting with supports such as clothing, transportation, and housing. Clients reported a **30 percent** increase in recovery capital.



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## BUILDING RECOVERY CAPITAL

Recovery is a process of change through which people improve their health and wellness, live self-directed lives, and strive to reach their potential. Recovery capital is the total resources that a person has to move toward recovery. KORE-supported programs help build recovery capital, including:

### PERSONAL

Health, Employment, Housing, Education, Financial, Clothing, Transportation, Food

### SOCIAL

Family, Supportive Partners, Friends, Recovery-related Social Events

### COMMUNITY

Community attitudes, policies, and resources

# 16,031



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## REENTRY SUPPORT

The Department of Corrections' **Reentry Employment Program Administrators** and **Re-entry Coordinators** have provided re-entry and employment supports to **4,149** justice-involved individuals.

## EMPLOYMENT SERVICES

The **Strategic Initiative for Transformational Employment (SITE)** has linked **829** individuals to job training, recovery-friendly employment, and/or recovery supports. Staff have engaged with over **2,500** employers to provide education on transformational employment.

### RECOVERY HOUSING

The **Kentucky Recovery Housing Network** was established to certify quality housing using the **National Alliance of Recovery Residence** standards.

**84** recovery housing beds that support residents' access to MOUD and **18** new **Oxford Houses** have been established.

### MUTUAL AID + YOUNG PEOPLE IN RECOVERY (YPR)



**SMART Recovery and Double Trouble in Recovery** are evidence-based mutual aid groups where people help one another resolve and manage problems with addiction.

YPR's mission is to provide **life skills** and **peer support** to help people recover and reach their full potential. YPR has established **8** chapters.

# INFRASTRUCTURE

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Infrastructure builds and equips communities' opioid response capacity by decreasing stigma, using data to drive decision making, fostering quality services, and expanding the provider network.



## JUDICIAL

The Administrative Office of the Courts' RESTORE program educates and trains court personnel. Over **2,400** court staff trained, including over **130** judges.

## EMPLOYERS

The Opioids and the Workplace Toolkit, developed by The Kentuckiana Health Collaborative, provides recommendations and tools for employers. Over **2,200** employers have received the toolkit.



## STUDENTS

Three Kentucky medical schools are providing a range of training to medical, pharmacy, and behavioral health students.

## PROVIDER TRAINING

- ASAM Multidimensional Assessment
- Tobacco Cessation for pregnant persons
- DATA 2000 Waiver training for buprenorphine prescribing
- Assessing and Managing Suicide Risk Training for Substance Use Providers



## PEERS



**Peer Support Specialists** and **supervisors** receive training in **person-centered recovery planning**. Specialized peers are hired and trained for **Service Members, Veterans**, and their families. Peers are located in **hospitals & primary care; domestic violence shelters; mobile & crisis treatment; RCCs; & SSPs**.

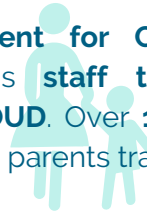
## ACCOMODATIONS

**Deaf & Hard of Hearing** reimbursement services are available for providers.



## CHILD WELFARE

The **Department for Community Based Services** trains **staff to serve families** impacted by **OUD**. Over **1,400** child welfare staff and foster parents trained.



## PARTNERS

The **Recovery Champions** Curriculum, developed with the Hazelden Betty Ford Foundation, provides **OUD training** to non-clinical partners.

**14,681**  
Participants trained  
between 2019-2020

## EQUITY

**KORE** partnered with the **Opioid Response Network** to provide training and technical assistance **to improve equitable access** to services. The program was also part of a **national learning collaborative** to address racial health disparities, focusing specifically on gaps in **SUD services**.

## COMMUNICATIONS

Communications initiatives focus on education to the general public, stigma reduction, overdose prevention and awareness of resources through targeted media outreach.

