

Douglas County

Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) Community Survey

PURPOSE: This survey is to measure public opinion on issues related to recovery. The information collected will be used to identify areas for improvement in our community. Your responses are confidential. Thank you for completing this survey.

DEFINITIONS: The terms listed below are used throughout the survey and are provided to ensure people provide the best educated answer.

Drug Overdose Prevention Program (DOPP) Site- designated location in the community—such as a business, library, or community center—that hosts a public Narcan display. These sites provide free access to Narcan (naloxone), a life-saving medication that reverses opioid overdoses. Community members can take Narcan from these sites at any time, with no questions asked and no requirements to provide personal information.

Drug Court- a specialized court program that provides individuals with substance use disorders an alternative to traditional incarceration. Instead of serving jail time, eligible participants are connected to treatment, counseling, case management, and ongoing supervision. Drug Courts aim to reduce recidivism, support recovery, and improve public safety by addressing the root causes of addiction through accountability and support.

Harm Reduction: evidence based strategies that aim to minimize the negative consequences associated with substances use, prevent overdose & infectious disease transmission, improve over-all wellbeing, & provide low-barrier access to healthcare services.

Medication-Assisted Recovery (MAR) -A recovery pathway that includes the use of FDA-approved medications, in combination with counseling and behavioral therapies, to support individuals in achieving and maintaining recovery from substance use disorders (SUD).

Recovery- a process of change through which people improve their health and wellness, live self-directed lives, and strive to reach their full potential.

Substance Use Disorder- another phrase used for addiction to drugs or alcohol; a complex medical condition characterized by uncontrollable patterns of substances despite harmful consequences.

Recovery or Transitional Housing- Recovery or transitional housing is a safe place to live for people who are working to overcome drug or alcohol problems. These homes are alcohol- and drug-free. People living there support each other, follow house rules, and may get help finding jobs, going to school, or moving into their own place. It's a stepping stone between treatment or crisis and living on their own.

Syringe Program- A syringe program is a community-based service that provides people who use drugs with clean, sterile needles and a safe way to dispose of used ones. These programs are designed to prevent the spread of diseases like HIV and Hepatitis C, reduce the harms associated with drug use, and protect the health of both individuals and the community

1. Do you consider **substance use** a major issue in your community?

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

2. Offering community-wide Narcan (naloxone) trainings and education about **Medication-Assisted Recovery (MAR)** is necessary to help break the stigma around **substance use disorder** in my community.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

3. I would be open or willing to attend an education session about **MAR** (Medication Assisted Recovery) and **harm reduction**.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

4. Increasing the number of **Drug Overdose Prevention Program (DOPP Sites)** which provide access to Narcan would be beneficial to Douglas County.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

5. **Recovery/Transitional housing** would benefit people in recovery within my community.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree

3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral

4-Agree

5-Strongly Agree

6. What challenges do people in **recovery** face when trying to find housing? Please mark all that apply.

☐ Criminal Record

☐ Cost

☐ Discrimination

☐ Lack of Housing

☐ Transportation

☐ Other

7. Have you heard of a **Drug Court** before?

Yes

No

Unsure

8. People struggling with **substance use** or mental health should be offered treatment instead of jail for certain non-violent offenses.

1-Strongly Disagree

2-Disagree

3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral

4-Agree

5-Strongly Agree

9. Douglas County would benefit from having a **Drug Court** program.

1-Strongly Disagree

2-Disagree

3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral

4-Agree

5-Strongly Agree

10. What do you see as the biggest barrier to **recovery** in your community, and what solution(s) would you suggest?

Barrier:

Solution (s):

11. People who use drugs deserve respect.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

12. People with a mental illness deserve respect.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

13. Medication Assisted Recovery-MAR (which is the use of medications to treat substance use disorders e.g., methadone or buprenorphine to treat opioid use disorder) is an effective treatment for substance use disorders.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

14. It is difficult to find healthcare providers who offer Medication Assisted Recovery-MAR (which is the use of medications to treat substance use disorders e.g., methadone or buprenorphine to treat opioid use disorder) in my community.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

15. Harm reduction services like Narcan and syringe service programs reduce the risks of drug use.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree

- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

16. It is difficult to find harm reduction services like Narcan and syringe service programs in my community.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

17. It is difficult to find mental health and substance use treatment services in my community.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

18. We should increase government funding on treatment options for mental health and substance use disorders.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

19. Everyone in my community can get help for mental health regardless of income level, insurance status, race, ethnicity, primary language, disabilities, gender identity, sexual orientation, or citizenship status.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree

20. Everyone in my community can get help for substance use regardless of income level, insurance status, race, ethnicity, primary language, disabilities, gender identity, sexual orientation, or citizenship status.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree

3-Neither agree nor Disagree/Neutral

4-Agree

5-Strongly Agree

Demographic Information

Age:

- Under 18
- 18-24
- 25-34
- 35-44
- 45-54
- 55-64
- 65 and over

Income level:

- Prefer not to say
- Under \$24,999
- \$25,000-\$49,999
- \$50,000-\$99,999
- \$100,000-and over

Gender:

- Prefer not to self-identify
- Male
- Female
- Gender Fluid
- Nonbinary

Location:

- County:
- Zip Code:

Ethnicity:

- Hispanic or Latino
- Non-Hispanic

Race:

- African American/Black
- Asian
- Caucasian/White
- Native American
- Pacific Islander
- Two or more races

Primary Language:

- English
- Spanish
- Mandarin
- French
- Arabic
- Other (specify)

If you would like to learn more and or be involved with Douglas County ROSC (Recovery Oriented Systems of Care) you can provide your contact information below. Douglas County ROSC works is to build a supportive community for individuals in recovery and their families, connecting them to the resources they need, while ensuring all voices are heard to create a healthier, more inclusive community.

First Name-_____

Phone Number-_____

Email-_____