

Gap Analysis FY24
Clark and Cumberland County ROSC Council (CCCRC)

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Purpose of the Gap Analysis:

- This document identifies and evaluates the current gaps from the Community Resource Assessment between their actual performance and identify potential/desired action steps/plans and strategies to fill these gaps.

Summary of Identified Gaps Across the Continuum (FY24):

Clark County Identified Gaps Across the Continuum:

1. **Health Promotion:** General lack of education and understanding regarding substance use disorders, leading to increased community stigma
2. **Prevention:** Additional trainings for medical personnel on early identification and screening of substance use
3. **Intervention/Harm Reduction:** Lack of drug court, lack of information regarding access to harm reduction programs and services including needle exchange programs
4. **Treatment:** Lack of access to transportation, lack of residential rehabilitation program access/waitlists, staffing shortages, lack of broadband access, lack of safe passage
5. **Recovery Supports:** Lack of recovery housing, additional support groups

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1. **Health Promotion:** General lack of education and understanding regarding substance use disorders, leading to increased community stigma
2. **Prevention:** Additional trainings for medical personnel on early identification and screening of substance use
3. **Intervention/Harm Reduction:** Lack of access regarding access to harm reduction programs and services including needle exchange programs.
4. **Treatment:** Lack of access to transportation, lack of affordable in-county SUD services, lack of residential rehabilitation program access/waitlists, staffing shortages, lack of broadband access, lack of safe passage

5. **Recovery Supports:** Lack of recovery housing, additional support groups, minimal sober fun activities

| Point on Continuum | Identified Gap: Clark and Cumberland County | Ideas for Community Action Steps | Ideas for Partnerships with Outside Groups/Organizations | Ideas for Changes at the State Level- How can state funders help bridge this gap? |
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| Health Promotion | Lack of education/community understanding regarding substance use, resulting in increased stigma | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anti-Stigma Efforts • Community Education Events that are designed to address stigma and increase substance use knowledge • Social Media Campaigns • Recovery Testimonies | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote and create partnerships for anti-stigma efforts and campaigns • Partner with prevention teams, CARE, and local health departments to provide SUD awareness information to the community | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Statewide anti-stigma campaigns • Funding from the state to address stigma in rural communities |
| Prevention | Insufficient trainings for medical personnel on early identification and screening of substance use | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Offer SUD educational workshops | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with health organizations in both counties to educate medical staff on identifying SUD signs in patients | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide funding for SUD educational staff |
| Intervention/Harm Reduction | Lack of local drug court (Clark) | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advocacy of local drug court to local judge, states attorney, public defender, probation, etc. | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assessing buy-in of judicial system • Bring in additional community resources to enhance knowledge on drug | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • AOIC Board has informational sessions on the start up of a drug court • Increase funding avenues |

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| | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Gathering research on efficacy on drug courts • Seek out funding sources • Look into potential partnerships with neighboring counties | courts | |
| Intervention/Harm Reduction | Need for increased health promotion around harm reduction programs and services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Social media posts with places in the community to access harm reduction materials and services • The usage of physical flyers in the community to promote harm reduction materials and services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Working with partnering agencies to share social media posts and physical flyers | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Updated statewide list of harm reduction services and materials • Increase funding for harm reduction supplies for counties |

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| Treatment | Lack of reliable transportation | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Creation of volunteer-based model: work with local organizations and coalitions to identify driver volunteers • Expansion of public bus system operation hours | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Potential partnerships with church buses • Potential partnerships with HRC and their transportation vans | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expansion of transportation service contracts • Implementation of a free loop service |
| Treatment | Waitlists/staffing shortages | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Utilize volunteer-based transportation models to drive residents to neighboring treatment centers • Creation and implementation of a Safe Passage initiative | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Building partnerships with other treatment agencies for referrals | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Funding towards local providers to increase staffing and overall supports |

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| <p>Recovery</p> | <p>Lack of recovery housing</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increase understanding of the various types of housing • Examine tax incentives • Getting community buy-in • Explore funding opportunities | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with local recovery supports to increase recovery meetings in the communities • Partnerships with recovery-oriented agencies to provide services | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Employer/landlord incentives • Increased funding for recovery homes |
| <p>Recovery</p> | <p>Insufficient diversity of recovery support groups</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with PLEs to develop additional support meetings • Ensure that virtual recovery supports are available | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Partner with diverse recovery supports in other counties • Work with neighboring counties that have Al Anon • Provide financial support towards sustaining a variety of local support groups | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provide additional funding opportunities that allow for expansion and diversity of local recovery support groups |

