Douglas County Recovery Oriented Systems of Care (ROSC) Council

The information collected will be used to identify areas for improvement in our community. Your responses are confidential, so please answer the questions honestly and to the best of your ability.

Recovery Resources and Accessibility in the Community

- 1. How much support is available in your community for individuals struggling with substance use?
 - Plenty of support available
 - Some support, but more is needed
 - Very little support
 - No support at all
- 2. Do schools in your community offer support to students and families affected by Substance use disorder?
 - Yes, definitely
 - Yes, somewhat
 - \circ No, not enough
 - No, not at all
- 3. Does your community offer recovery support services that are accessible to Spanish-speaking individuals?
 - Yes, they have good access
 - Somewhat, but more help is needed
 - No, they face many barriers
 - I don't know

Recovery Support Services

Medication Assisted Recovery (MAR) means using medicines, such as methadone or buprenorphine, along with counseling, to treat substance use disorders and support recovery. *Narcan* is a brand name for naloxone, a medicine that can quickly reverse an opioid overdose. It is often available through community programs and can be given by anyone to help save a life in an emergency.

- 4. Before reading this, had you heard of the term "Medication Assisted Recovery (MAR)"?
 - Yes, I know what it is
 - I've heard of it, but don't know much
 - No, this is my first time hearing about it

- 5. Medication Assisted Recovery (MAR) is an effective treatment for substance use disorder.
 - 1-Strongly Disagree
 - 2-Disagree
 - o 3-Neither Agree nor Disagree/Neutral
 - 4-Agree
 - 5-Strongly Agree

6. It is hard to find doctors who offer Medication Assisted Recovery (MAR) in my community.

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

7. Before reading this, had you heard of the term "Narcan"?

- Yes, I know what it is
- I've heard of it, but don't know much
- No, this is my first time hearing about it

8. Finding harm reduction programs in my community is challenging.

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

9. Harm reduction services, such as Narcan and syringe service programs, help reduce the risks associated with drug use and save lives.

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

Transitional and Recovery Housing

Transitional housing gives temporary, supportive housing for people in recovery from substance use. Residents often get counseling, job support, and help with life skills.

- 4. I believe that transitional housing programs would help reduce substance use issues in my community.
 - 1-Strongly Disagree
 - o 2-Disagree
 - o 3-Neither Agree nor Disagree/Neutral
 - 4-Agree
 - 5-Strongly Agree
- 5. What kind of help do people in transitional housing need most? (Select all that apply)
 - Job training and employment support
 - Mental health counseling
 - Substance use counseling
 - Parenting classes
 - Health and wellness services
 - Peer support and community groups
 - Life skills training (e.g., budgeting, cooking)
 - Other, please specify:

Drug Court Awareness and Interest

A Drug Court program lets people with substance use disorders get treatment instead of going to jail, with the goal of reducing future offenses and supporting recovery.

- 6. Would you be interested in having a Drug Court program in our community?
 - Yes, definitely
 - Yes, but with some reservations
 - No, I would not support it
 - I'm not sure
- 7. What benefits, if any, do you think a Drug Court program would provide to our community? (Select all that apply)
 - Reducing crime rates
 - Helping people get treatment instead of jail time
 - Saving taxpayer money on jail costs
 - Offering second chances to people with substance use disorders
 - Building a stronger community
 - I don't believe there are benefits
 - Other, please specify:

Safe Passage Program Awareness and Interest

The Safe Passage Program lets people with substance use disorders seek help from local police or community groups, without fear of legal trouble. This helps people find treatment safely.

- 8. Would you be interested in having a Safe Passage Program in our community?
 - Yes, definitely
 - Yes, but with some reservations
 - No, I would not support it
 - I'm not sure
- 9. If a Safe Passage Program were available, how likely do you think people in our community would be to use it?
 - o Very likely
 - Somewhat likely
 - Not very likely
 - Not at all likely
- 10. What benefits, if any, do you think a Safe Passage Program would offer to our community? (Select all that apply)
 - Reducing harm related to substance use
 - Encouraging people to seek help
 - Reducing stigma around seeking treatment
 - Strengthening community and police relationships
 - Lowering costs for law enforcement and courts
 - I don't believe there are benefits
 - Other, please specify:

GED Programs

11. How important do you think it is to have GED programs in the local jail?

- Very important
- Somewhat important
- Not very important
- Not at all important

12. What benefits, if any, do you believe GED programs provide to people in recovery or reentering the community? (Select all that apply)

- Better job opportunities
- Increased self-confidence
- Reduced chance of reoffending
- A sense of personal achievement
- Building a stronger community
- I don't believe there are benefits
- Other, please specify:

Accessing Support and Information

13. Where do you typically find information about health or recovery services in your community? (Select all that apply)

- Social media (e.g., Facebook, Instagram)
- Community centers or public buildings
- Church or faith-based organizations
- Local newspapers or radio
- Word of mouth (friends or family)
- Online searches (e.g., Google)
- Other, please specify:

14. If you or someone you know needed recovery support, how would you prefer to access it?

- In-person meetings or appointments
- Online resources or support groups
- Phone hotline
- Drop-in centers or community hubs
- Support from faith-based groups
- Other, please specify:

Attitudes Toward Recovery

15. People who use drugs deserve respect.

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

16. People with mental health issues deserve respect.

- 1-Strongly Disagree
- 2-Disagree
- 3-Neither Agree nor Disagree/Neutral
- 4-Agree
- 5-Strongly Agree
- 17. Everyone in my community can get help for <u>mental health</u> 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
 - o 4-Agree
 - 5-Strongly Agree
- 18. . Everyone in my community can get help for <u>substance use</u> regardless of income level, insurance status, race, ethnicity, primary language, disabilities, gender identity, sexual orientation, or citizenship status.
 - o 1-Strongly Disagree
 - o 2-Disagree
 - o 3-Neither Agree nor Disagree/Neutral
 - 4-Agree
 - 5-Strongly Agree
- 19. We should increase government funding on treatment options for mental health and substance use disorders.
 - 1-Strongly Disagree
 - o 2-Disagree
 - o 3-Neither Agree nor Disagree/Neutral
 - o 4-Agree
 - 5-Strongly Agree

Thank you for completing this survey! Please fill out the demographic information on the next page.

Demographic Information:

Location:

- County: _____
- Zip Code:

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

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)

Comments and Questions: