Washington State Health Care Authority

Washington State Residential Substance Abuse Treatment program

Overview

Through the US Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance Programs, the Washington State Residential Substance Abuse Treatment (RSAT) Program is a formula grant program that expands Washington State's ability to provide residential substance use disorder (SUD) treatment to incarcerated individuals. The programs funds evidence-based SUD treatment in carceral setting and prepares clients for successful community reintegration through aftercare services which may include post-release referral to appropriate evidence-based aftercare treatment and/or service providers.

Eligibility requirements

All potential RSAT participants are screened to determine eligibility using several standardized risks and needs screening instruments that include SUD and mental health. Drug testing is required for individuals participating in the RSAT program, as well as while participating in aftercare programs until they are no longer under supervision by the county in which they were charged.

Project design and implementation

Residential SUD treatment programs in **prisons**; must meet all of the following criteria:

- Engage individuals with SUD or cooccurring substance use and mental health disorders for a period of between six and 12 months.
- 2. Require periodic/random drug testing of individuals while they are in the program and under community supervision.
- 3. Establish a therapeutic community (i.e., program participants are set apart from the general population).

4. Provide aftercare services. *

Residential SUD treatment programs in **jails;** must meet all of the following criteria:

- 1. Engage individuals with SUD or cooccurring substance use and serious mental health disorders for at least three months.
- 2. Require periodic/random drug testing of individuals while they are in the program and under community supervision.
- 3. Make every effort to establish a therapeutic community.
- 4. Provide aftercare services. *

*To include case management and the full continuum of recovery and aftercare services to support people released from a residential SUD treatment program, which may include human service and rehabilitation programs such as educational and job training, parole supervision, half-way house, self-help, and peer group programs.

Key partners

Island County Jail/Island County Public Health

Jefferson County Jail/Believe in Recovery (Contractor)

Washington State Corrections Center for Women

Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women

People served

- Since October 2021, Jefferson County Jail has served 332 participants.
- Since October 1, 2022, Island County Jail has served 29 participants.
- Since February 1, 2023, Washington State Corrections Center for Women has served 99 participants.
- Mission Creek Corrections Center for Women will begin admitting RSAT participants in December 2024.

Authority

The RSAT Program was created by the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act of 1994 (Public Law 103-322) and codified at 34 U.S.C. § 10421 et. seq.Budget



Federal Grant Awards and Annual Award Amount (years below are federal fiscal years, October 1-September 30):

- 2024: \$425,352
- 2023: \$590,444
- 2022: \$564,566
- 2021: \$478,167

For more information

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