

# BJA Grant: MAT Behind the walls

Milwaukee County BHD/CARS has partnered with the House of Correction (HOC), the Department of Corrections (DOC), Wellpath, Community Medical Services (CMS), University of Wisconsin Milwaukee (UWM), and Wisconsin Community Services (WCS) to provide MAT behind the walls.



## Overall Purpose:

To reduce the risk of overdose death and enhance treatment and recovery service engagement among the post-trial population prior to community reentry. This is done by implementing Naltrexone (Vivitrol) as a Medication-Assisted Treatment (MAT) for sentenced and sanctioned offenders in custody at the Milwaukee County House of Correction (HOC), and by supporting the transition to community-based services once these individuals are released from custody.

The ultimate long term goal during the grant will then be to provide all 3 forms of medically assisted treatment behind the walls once FDA approve.

## Program Eligibility:

- Offenders must volunteer for the program
- Have a medical and substance abuse assessment that indicates they're addicted to an opiate
- Be medically able to take Naltrexone (Vivitrol)
- Participate in treatment programs to address cognitive behavioral changes

## Participants Will Receive:

- Up to 3 Vivitrol injections while in custody and then continued MAT upon release
- AODA and Mental Health Treatment
- Cognitive Behavioral Programming to align with Evidenced Based Practices
- A peer support specialist that will connect with participants while in custody and then will assist in the transition into the community
- A case manager with Wellpath and a clinician with CMS
- Access to Milwaukee County resources in the community to assist in recovery