

# WEST VIRGINIA At-A-Glance 2024



**WEST VIRGINIA OFFICE OF  
DRUG CONTROL POLICY**  
West Virginia Department of Human Services



## Community Assets

Quick Response Team (QRT) **37**

Regional Partnership Grant (RPG) **11**

Harm Reduction Program **12**

Hospitals with SUD Response **36**

Treatment Court - Juvenile **23**

Treatment Court - Family **16**

Treatment Court - Adult **45**

FROM 2014 TO 2024, OPIOID  
PRESCRIPTION DRUG  
DISPENSING **DECREASED BY AVG-61%<sup>1</sup>**

Naloxone Kits  
Distributed<sup>2</sup> **98,628\***

Certified Treatment  
Beds<sup>3</sup> **1,861**

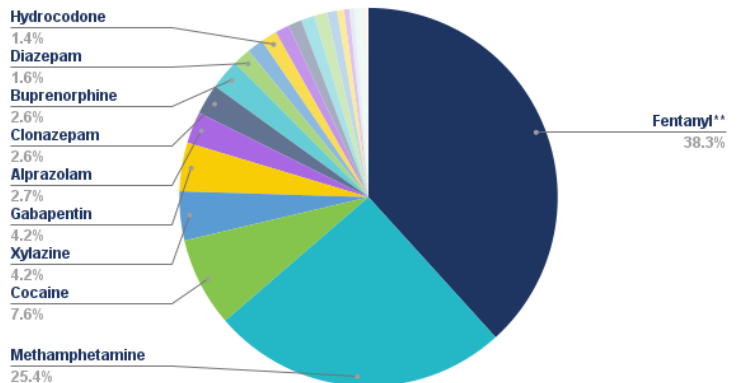
Certified Recovery  
Housing<sup>4</sup> **1,444**

Number of  
Helpline Calls<sup>5</sup> **25,760**

Number of Helpline  
Calls Connected  
to Treatment<sup>5</sup> **7,136**

QRT Connected to  
Treatment<sup>6</sup> **1,119**

## Substance Prevalence in Overdose Fatalities 2023 (WV)<sup>9</sup>



Number of overdose  
fatalities in 2022:<sup>8</sup>

**1,429**

Number of overdose  
fatalities in 2023:<sup>8</sup>

**1,389**

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## Acronyms/Definitions

**Certified Treatment Bed** - A licensed facility providing short-term, medically necessary withdrawal management and stabilization, staffed with medical professionals, offering 24/7 monitoring, restrictive rules, and insurance acceptance.

**Certified Recovery Housing** - A peer-run or staff-managed home offering long-term support for individuals in recovery, where residents pay rent, receive assistance, and have the freedom to work and attend meetings, without on-site clinical services.

**Hospital SUD Response Program** - comprehensive approaches to SUD for individuals who present to the hospital system that can include screening, referral to treatment, MOUD induction, providing naloxone, and a Peer Recovery Support Specialist consult.

**Harm Reduction Program (HRP)** - refers to the use of practical strategies and ideas aimed at reducing the negative consequences associated with drug use.

**Medication-Assisted Treatment/Medications for Opioid Use Disorders (MAT/MOUD)** - refers to the three U.S. Food and Drug Administration approved medications used to treat opioid use disorder: Methadone, Buprenorphine, and Naltrexone.

**Quick Response Team (QRT)** - teams who contact people within 24 to 72 hours of an overdose to connect them to treatment and other services.

**Regional Partnership Grant (RPG)** - integration of programs and services designed to increase the well-being, improve the permanency, and enhance the safety of children who are in, or at-risk of, out-of-home placements as the result of a parent or caregiver's SUD.

**Substance Use Disorder (SUD)** - the recurrent use of alcohol or drugs causing clinically significant impairment, including health problems, disability, and failure to meet major responsibilities at work, school, or home.

### Resources:

DoHS Office of Drug Control Policy:  
<https://dhhr.wv.gov/office-of-drug-control-policy>

DoHS Office of Drug Control Policy Data Dashboard:  
<https://bit.ly/ODCPData>

Addiction Treatment Locator:  
<https://treatmentatlas.org/>

Certified Recovery Residence Locator:  
<https://warr.org/recovery-housing-guide/residence-directory/>

### Data Sources:

- (1) West Virginia Board of Pharmacy
- (2) West Virginia Department of Human Services, Bureau for Behavioral Health
- (3) West Virginia Department of Human Services, Bureau for Medical Services
- (4) West Virginia Alliance of Recovery Residences
- (5) First Choice Services, Inc.
- (6) West Virginia Department of Health, Bureau for Public Health
- (7) U.S. Census Bureau
- (8) West Virginia Department of Health, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner
- (9) West Virginia Department of Health, Bureau for Public Health, Health Statistics Center

(--) Data unavailable at time of report.

(\*) Number of naloxone kits distributed is approximate based on shipment data from the University of Charleston School of Pharmacy, Narcan Direct, and numbers reported from Save-a-Life Day 2024.

(\*\*) Fentanyl-related deaths include those from pharmaceutical fentanyl and illicit fentanyl and its analogues.

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