



# Opioid Settlement Funds

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**Approximately \$25 million has been received which is comprised of both the City/County and Regional Allocation.**

**City/County Funding - \$4.5M includes reassignment of funds from municipalities (Largo, Pinellas Park, Clearwater, Oldsmar, Tarpon Springs and Safety Harbor).**

**Procurement/Programming is managed by the department with BCC approval.**

**Regional Funding - \$20M. Opioid Abatement Funding Advisory Board (OAFAB) comprised of appointed members from the County Commission, Cities of St. Petersburg, Clearwater and Pinellas Park and the Director of the Florida Department of Health Pinellas County. The OAFAB serves as the advisory board with input from the Pinellas Opioid Task Force on priority populations and interventions and serves as the evaluation committee for procurement. Recommendations are brought before the BCC for final approval.**



## Pinellas Matters

Multi-hospital partnership to standardize the stabilization of substance use conditions in ED settings and developing a clinical pathway to care.

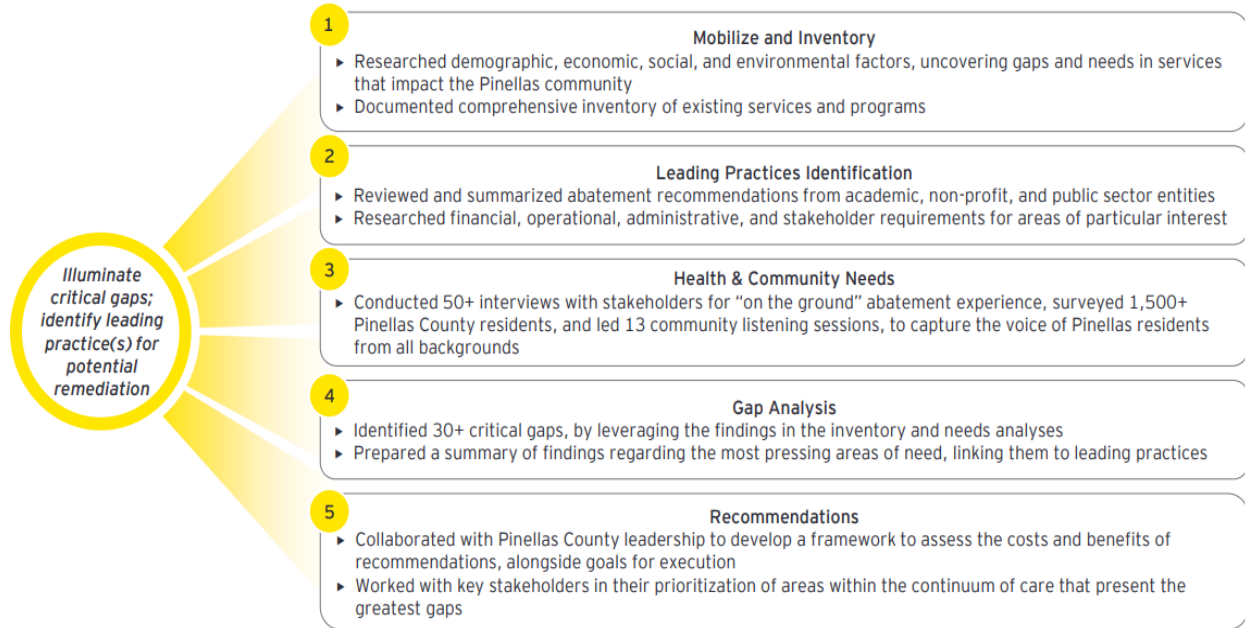
### Core Components:

(1) Intensive training towards a culture shift of Hospital Personnel (2) MOUD induction, (3) harm reduction via peer support, (4) navigation support for ongoing treatment, (5) bridge Rx's to prevent drug-seeking or overdose until date of treatment appointment, and (6) take-home naloxone.

Program includes: Addiction Professional and MD Champion, Certified Peer Recovery Supports and a Program Manager.



# Regional Funding



**Funding Allocated: \$478,000**

# Prioritized Recommendations



**SYSTEM-LEVEL DATA  
GOVERNANCE \$750-\$1.5M**



**ENHANCE CARE COORDINATION  
AND INDIVIDUAL DATA  
MANAGEMENT \$2.5M-\$8M**



**INCREASE ACCESS TO SAFE AND HIGH-  
QUALITY HOUSING FOR INDIVIDUALS  
IN RECOVERY \$3M-\$6M**



**EXPAND THE ROLE  
OF PEER  
SPECIALISTS  
\$3M-\$6M**



**EXPAND ACCESS TO PROGRAMMING  
IN JUSTICE SETTINGS  
\$10M-\$15M**



**CREATE NEW COMMUNITY  
SUPPORT TEAMS THAT FOCUS  
ON SUD  
\$3M-\$5M**



**ENHANCE QUICK  
RESPONSE TEAMS  
\$3M-\$5M**

# Opioid Settlement Competitive Process



## Next Steps:

- **The RFI has been determined to be the best approach for the solicitation (Anticipate 3-year contracts).**
- **Large Transformative Programs with an emphasis on collaborative partnerships.**
  - **\$3M Minimum**
- **Inclusive of more than one priority recommendation.**
- **Priority Populations – Justice Involved, Child Welfare/Dependency & Neonatal**

# Care About Me

# CARE ABOUT ME

Care About Me (CAM) streamlines access to mental health, substance use, and addiction services in Pinellas County. CAM does the heavy lifting for residents by confidentially assessing their situation, finding a provider that fits their needs, and booking an appointment on their behalf. Residents need not worry about searching for a behavioral healthcare provider anymore - CAM provides a direct link to residents. By listening to their needs, CAM helps residents determine the best provider for their unique needs. Say goodbye to the guesswork and let CAM help you.

## HOURS OF OPERATION

Monday – Friday 8 am – 10 pm  
Saturdays 10 am – 6 pm  
*Legal Holidays Included*



**Experienced behavioral health specialists to triage needs and assess level of care**



**Scheduling of appointments and connection to supportive services**



**Collaboration with behavioral health providers**



**Follow up with residents to ensure service quality**



# Care About Me

The following data points illustrate Care About Me performance across specific Key Performance Indicators between **February 13, 2024** and **January 5, 2025**.



993

Residents Seeking Services through Care About Me



461

Appointments Scheduled



87%

Live Response Rate



25.9 mins

Average Call Time for Screening Calls



84%

Services Match Rate



0-4 days

Days until next available appointment



9.4 days

Average Time to Service



4.5

Average Contacts Per Resident



24%

No Show Rate



93%

E-Scheduling at Screening Rate



7%

Appointment Rejection Rate



94%

CAM Services Satisfaction Rate based on 33 completed surveys

# Thank you

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