

# Virginia Opioid Abatement Authority

## Virginia Local Government Management Association Conference

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Thinking Outside the Box on Regional Grant Collaboration



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# Virginia's Participation in National Settlements

In late 2021-early 2022, the Virginia Attorney General's office worked with local attorneys and outside counsel representing localities, and with numerous associations, to encourage cities and counties to participate and drop individual suits.

- Resulted in a signed **Virginia Allocation MOU** between all 133 cities/counties and the Commonwealth.
- General Assembly passed a statute that closely mirrors the MOU.
- The MOU and the statute specify that only cities, counties, and state agencies are eligible to receive financial support from the OAA.



# Use of Funds

## Statutory Requirements

- 100% of the OAA's disbursements to cities, counties and state agencies *must be* spent on abatement efforts.
- There is no reimbursement of previous costs or supplanting allowed.
- No indirect charges allowed.
- Recipients must report outcomes to OAA on an annual basis and allow OAA to monitor the programs.

This term abatement appears throughout the national settlement agreements, the Virginia Allocation MOU, and the State Code. It has specific legal meaning, yet is broad in its applicability



# What is Abatement?

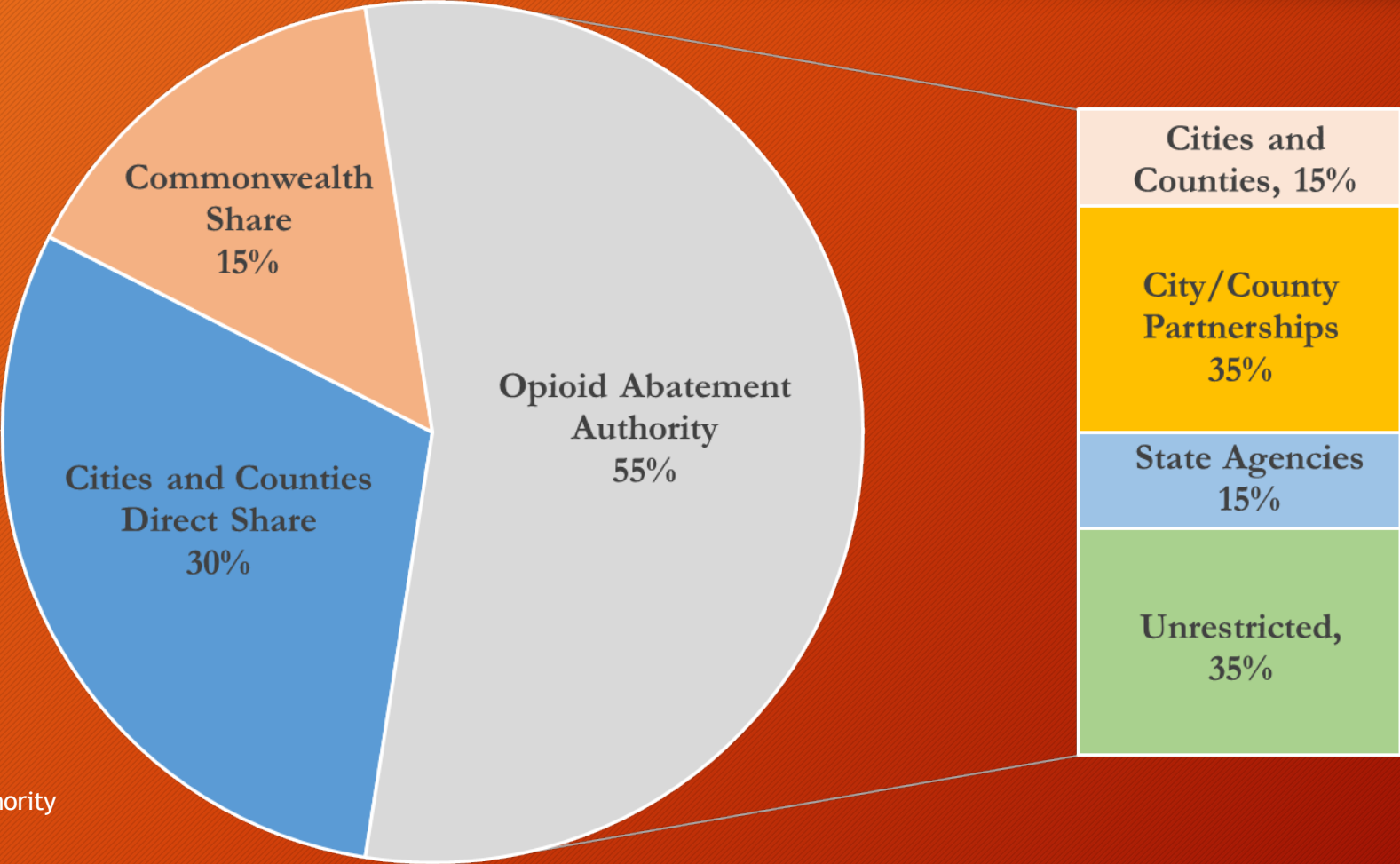
Efforts designed to treat, prevent, or reduce opioid use disorder or the misuse of opioids or otherwise abate or remediate the opioid epidemic.

Evidence-based or evidence-informed methods, programs, or strategies that:

- Support treatment of opioid use disorder and any co-occurring substance use disorder or mental health conditions
- Support people in recovery from opioid use disorder and any co-occurring substance use disorder or mental health conditions
- Provide connections to care for people who have, or are at risk of developing, opioid use disorder and any co-occurring substance use disorder or mental health conditions
- Support efforts to discourage or prevent misuse of opioids
- Support efforts to prevent or reduce overdose deaths or other opioid-related harms
- Support efforts to provide comprehensive resources for patients seeking opioid detoxification, including detoxification services.

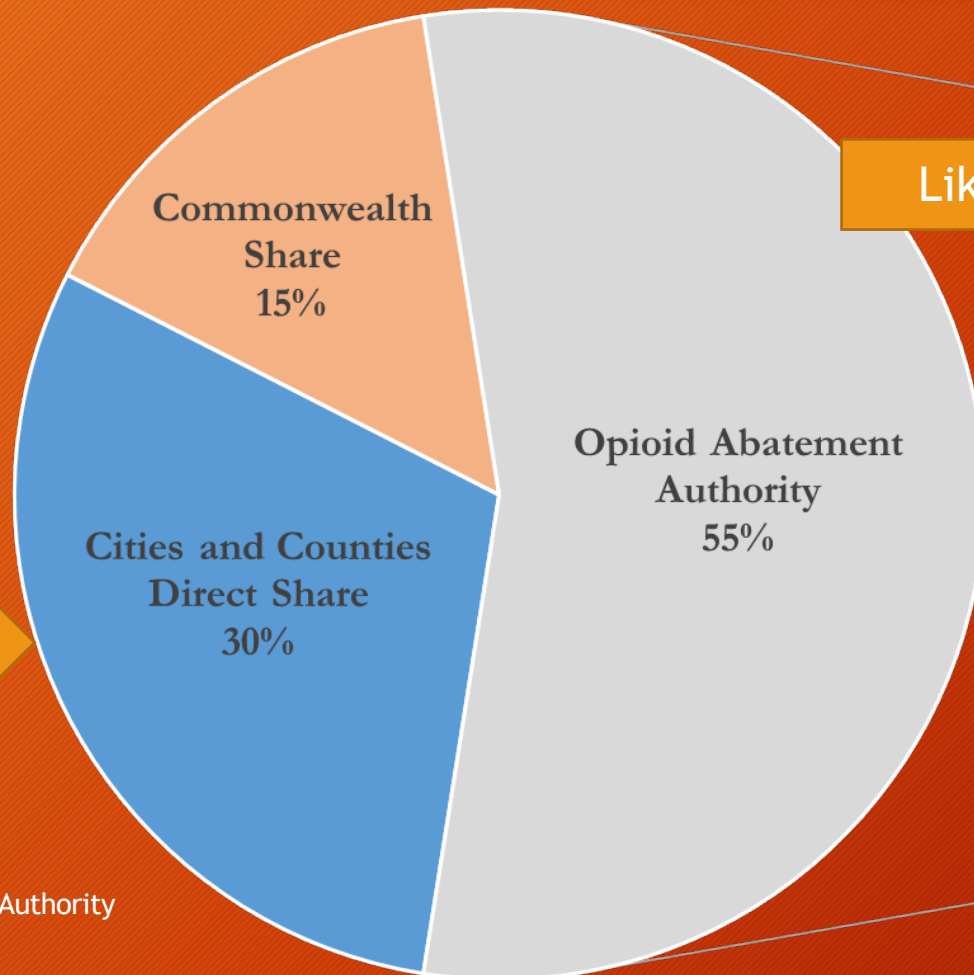


# Funding Distribution





# OAA's Gold Standard Incentive



Treat this

Like this

Cities and Counties, 15%

Increases

25%

City/County Partnerships  
35%

State Agencies  
15%

Unrestricted,  
35%

Funded by Unrestricted



# Definitions

## Direct Distribution to Cities and Counties

- Refers to the distributions from the settlement administrator directly to cities and counties (30% of total settlement)

## Individual Distribution to Cities and Counties (OAA Distribution)

- Refers to the distributions from the OAA to cities and counties (15% of OAA funds)

## Cooperative Partnership Projects

- Refers to projects requesting OAA funding involving at least two or more cities and/or counties in the same Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services Region. (35% of OAA funds)



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## Framework

### Cooperative Agreement

- At least 2 of the participating cities and/or counties must be from the same Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) Region and must designate one as the fiscal agent. Sample available on website.

### Evaluation

- Code of Virginia §2.2-2370 (OAA “Gold Standard”)
  - Collaborate with an existing program or organization with record of success
  - Established in a community with a high incidence of opioid use disorder or opioid death rate, relative to population;
  - Established in a historically economically disadvantaged community; or
  - Include a monetary match from or on behalf of the applicant

### Other factors

- Settlement Agreement allowable uses
- OAA Terms and Conditions
- Identifying and addressing specific gaps and/or removing barriers
- Pregnant and nursing mothers
- Prospective return on financial investment



# Options for Matching Funds

Direct Distribution from Settlement Administrators

Individual Distribution & Gold Standard Incentive from OAA

Contributions on behalf of the partnership including but not limited to:

- Community Foundations
- Fundraisers
- CSB Contributions
- Hospitals

Other Grant Funds

General Funds

NOTE: In-kind support cannot be considered a monetary match



# Direct & Individual Distributions

Henry County Settlement Funds FY 2022-2039					
Direct Distribution from Settlement Administrator					
<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Distributors</u>	<u>Janssen</u>	<u>Mallinckrodt</u>	<u>From OAA</u>	<u>25% Incentive</u>
FY 2022	49,609	0	0	0	0
FY 2023	86,053	215,234	12,768	113,642	28,410
FY 2024	52,137	0	<i>Still</i>	19,117	4,779
FY 2025	65,257	0	<i>being</i>	23,928	5,982
FY 2026	65,257	0	<i>determined</i>	23,928	5,982
FY 2027	65,257	10,017		27,601	6,900
FY 2028	65,257	10,017		27,601	6,900
FY 2029	76,750	10,017		31,815	7,954
FY 2030	76,750	12,754		32,818	8,205
FY 2031	76,750	12,754		32,818	8,205
FY 2032	64,516	12,754		28,332	7,083
FY 2033	64,516	0		23,656	5,914
FY 2034	64,516	0		23,656	5,914
FY 2035	64,516	0		23,656	5,914
FY 2036	64,516	0		23,656	5,914
FY 2037	64,516	0		23,656	5,914
FY 2038	64,516	0		23,656	5,914
FY 2039	64,516	0		23,656	5,914
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 1,195,207</b>	<b>\$ 283,547</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>\$ 527,189</b>	<b>\$ 131,797</b>



# Monetary Match Examples

Locality match based on percentage of population served by CSB

OAA funding request is a percentage of the total project cost based on the percentage of individuals with opioid use disorder the project expects to impact.

Locality match is equal for all participating localities

Locality match is all Individual Distribution fund currently available

Locality match is all Individual Distribution and Direct Distribution funds currently available



# Recovery Home Model

(Localities partnering with a community foundation)



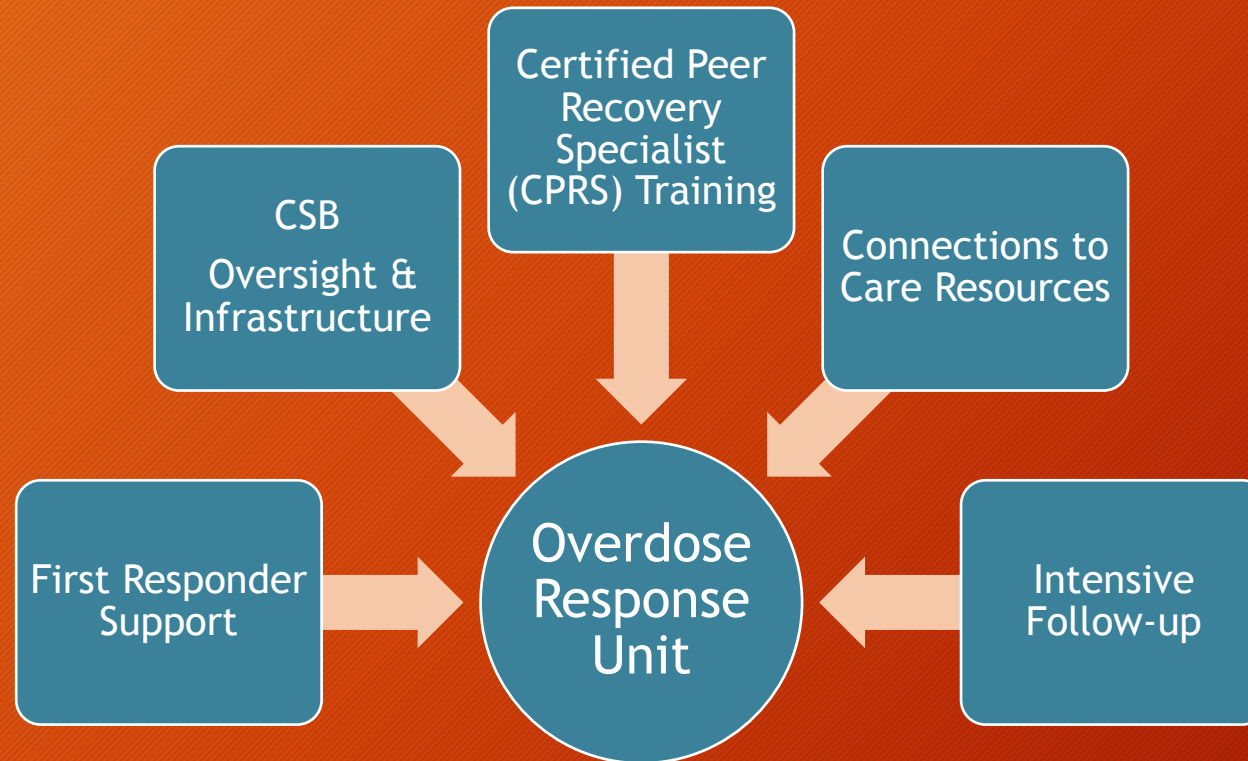


# Women's Treatment & Recovery Facility Model (Localities partnering with Non-Profit Service Provider)



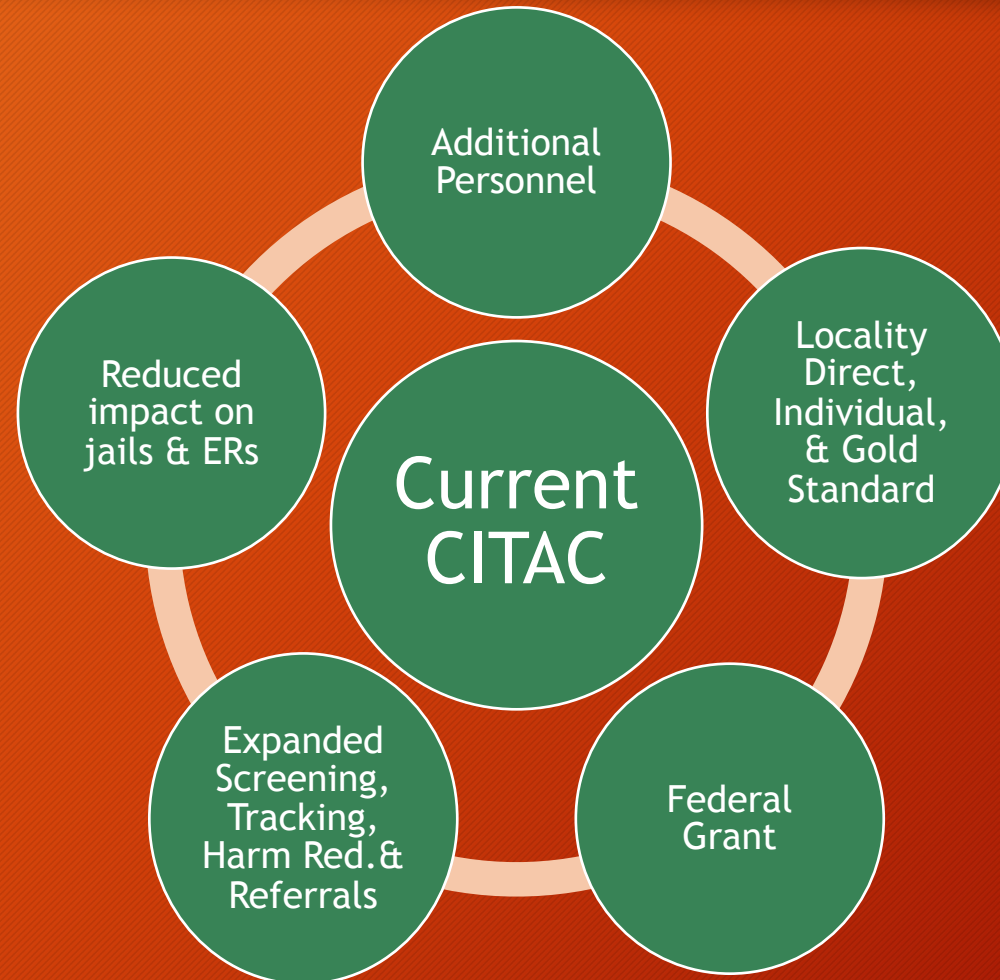


# CPRS Overdose Response Unit (Localities Partnering with CSB)





# CITAC Expansion Model (Crisis Intervention Team Assessment Center)





# Project Recover Expansion





# Other Examples

Crisis Receiving Centers

Detox Centers

Community Drop-off Centers

Outpatient Youth Treatment Center

Recovery Ecosystem

Drug/Recovery Court

Mobile Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD, formerly MAT)



# Additional Information

## Additional information available on our website

- [www.voaa.us](http://www.voaa.us)

## Next Application Period

- October 1, 2023, through April 1, 2024

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