

OUD TREATMENT EXPANSION IN RURAL AREAS

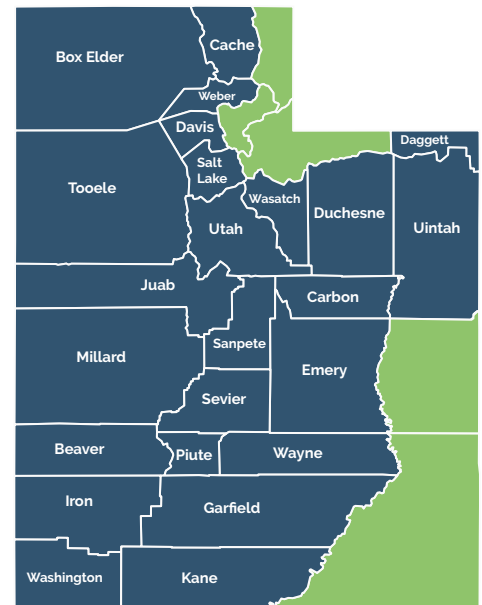
Sponsor: Rep. Christine Watkins

Total Request: \$2,696,077.97

Eight community health center organizations are requesting funds to sustain and expand direct access to low-barrier medication-assisted treatment/medication for opioid use disorder (MAT/MOUD) in rural and underserved communities, with funding predominantly supporting uninsured and underinsured individuals suffering from opioid use disorder (OUD).

Health centers requesting funds:

Carbon Medical Service Association, Inc.
Community Health Centers, Inc.
Creek Valley Health Clinic
Southwest Utah Community Health Center
(dba Family Healthcare)
Wasatch Homeless Health Care (dba Fourth Street Clinic)
Mountainlands Community Health Center
Utah Partners for Health
Wayne Community Health Center



From 2019-2021, the above health centers saw:



65% increase in MAT/MOUD patient visits (+569 visits, 1440 total in 2021)



26% increase in MAT/MOUD providers (+10 providers, 49 total in 2021)

Funding will support the following:

- Approximately 1,900 new and existing MAT/MOUD patients annually
- 23 FTEs supporting MAT/MOUD care
- Education and prevention program in rural communities
- Mobile MAT/MOUD programs to support unsheltered patients

