



Governor Dan McKee's Overdose Task Force

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Welcome and Announcements

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Update from the Rhode Island Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee

State Fiscal Year 2026 Allocation
Percentages by Pillar/Priorities

Approved Opioid Settlement Allocations for FY 2026

Pillars/Priorities	Strategies/Programs	SFY2025 Allocations (\$18M)	SYF26 Proposed Percentage (\$20.7M)
Racial Equity	Ensuring racial equity across the continuum of care	3%	2%
Emerging Issues and Municipal Funds	Responding to emerging issues and increasing alignment with municipalities	7%	5%
Administration and Evaluation	Monitoring investments, financing, contract management, and evaluation	5%	8%
Data	Using data to inform action	3%	7%
Social Determinants of Health (including Communications)	Addressing root causes, public dashboards, resources, ensuring messaging and information is available and equitable	12%	10%
Prevention	Sustaining school- and community-based youth prevention	13%	13%
Harm Reduction and Rescue	Sustaining naloxone, harm reduction education and supplies, targeted mobile outreach, Overdose Prevention Center, and post overdose interventions	18%	26%
Treatment (Infrastructure)	Ensuring treatment is accessible and available on demand to all (including youth)	22%	12%
Recovery	Increasing recovery capital for individuals, families, and pregnant people and supporting peer workforce and recovery housing	17%	17%

Additional settlements came in last fiscal year totaling approximately \$11 million for the state. OMB included these in SFY25 as a placeholder - these were added to SYF2026.

September 2024 Governor's Overdose Task Force Semi-Annual Report

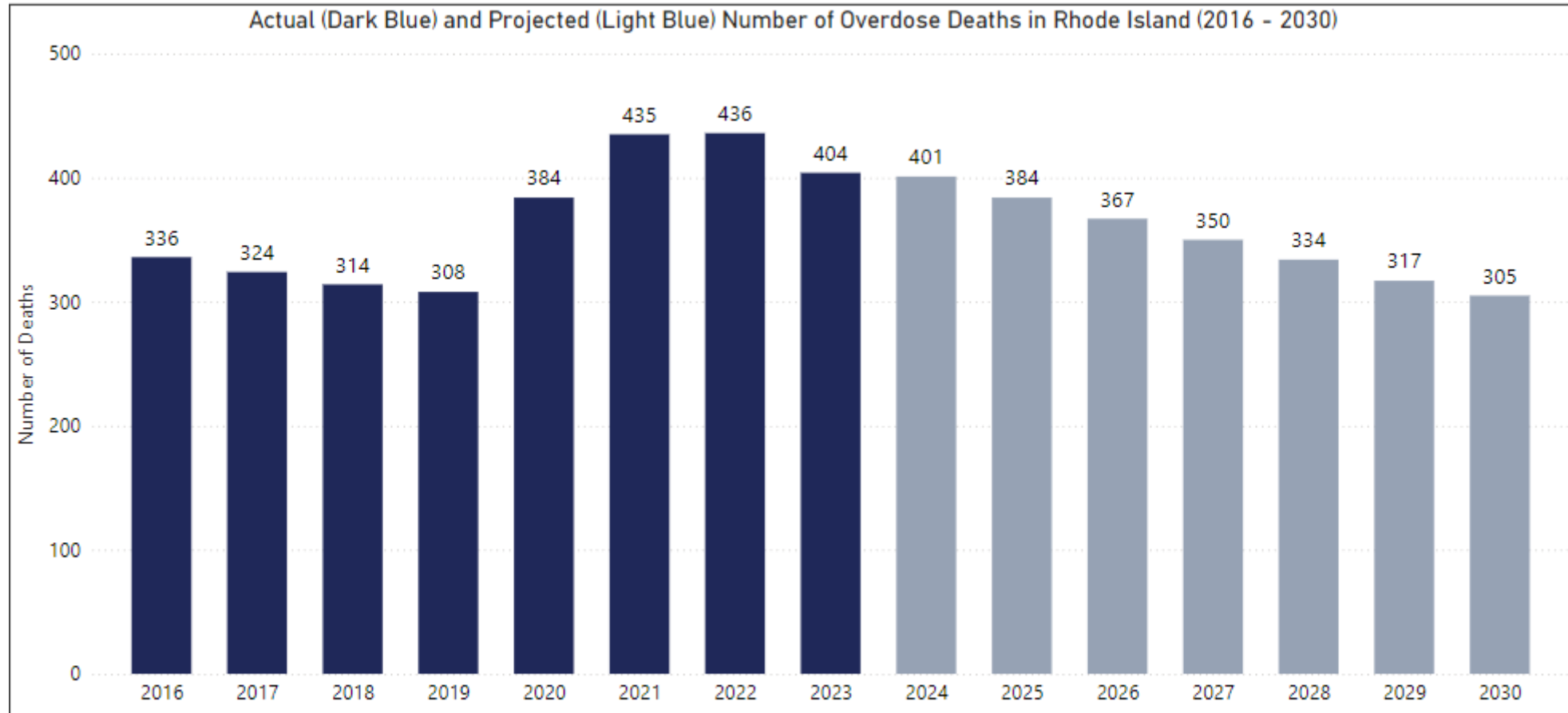
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Rhode Island's 2030 Goal: Reduce Overdose Deaths by 30%

In 2023, fatal overdoses decreased by 7.3%, the first decrease in overdose deaths since 2019. Additionally, the rate of fatal overdose decreased by 11% among non-Hispanic, Black Rhode Islanders and 15% among Hispanic or Latino Rhode Islanders.

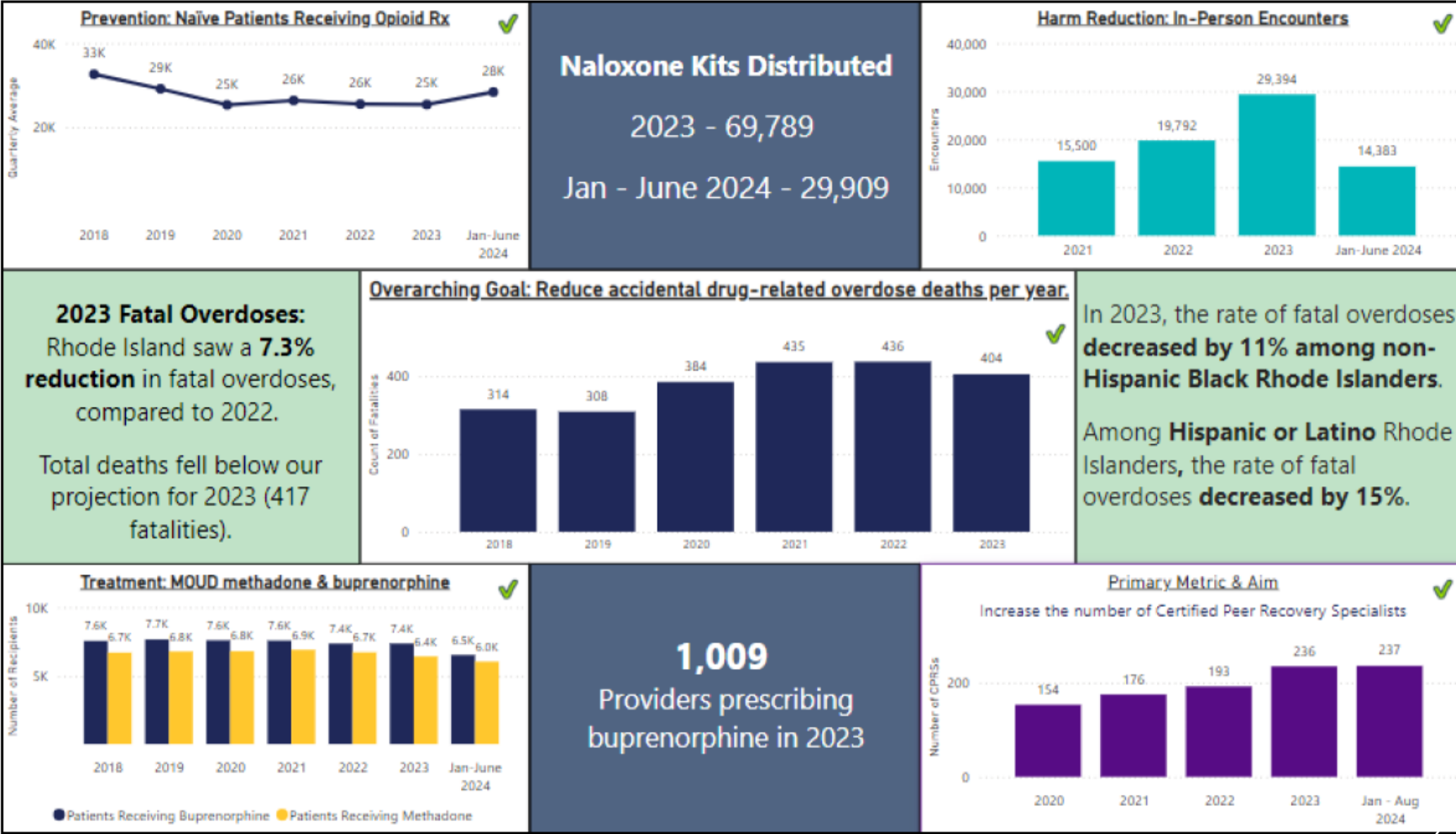
Total overdose deaths fell significantly below the 2023 projection, with 404 fatalities compared to 417.



This goal was calculated based on a review of state and national plans to address overdose deaths, focusing on the northeast region of the US. Consensus has indicated that aligning Rhode Island's 2030 goal with the CDC's Healthy People 2030 goal was preferred. The long-term goal, explained here [health.gov], aims to reduce overdose deaths back to their 2018 values by 2030.

Rhode Island's Performance Snapshot

↗ In Progress
 ✓ On Track
 ✗ Off Course



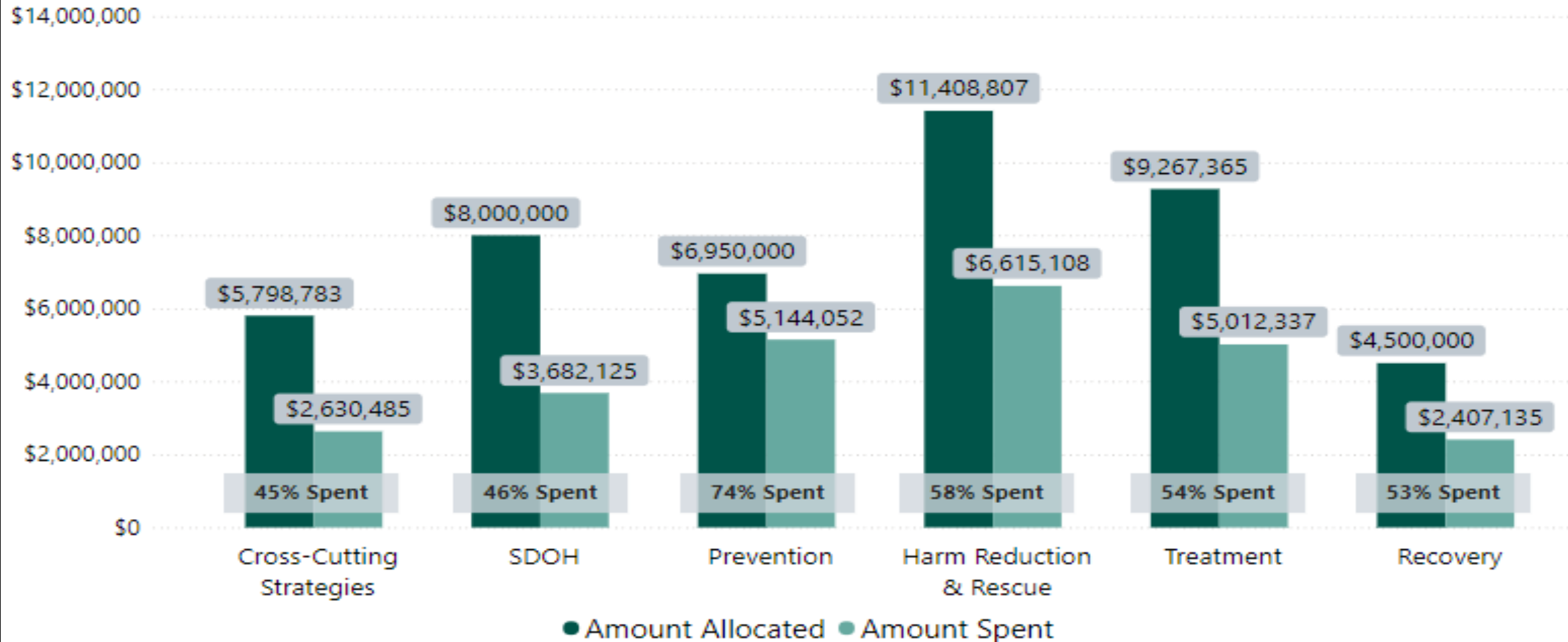
Note: The dashboard snapshot featured above is sampled from an internal overdose dashboard housed at EOHS. This snapshot is not exhaustive of the entire dashboard.

State Investment Summary: Fiscal Years 2023-2025

Pillars/Priorities	SFY23 & 24 Allocations	SFY25 Allocations	Total for SFY23 - SFY25
Racial Equity	\$300,000	\$500,000	\$800,000
Administration, Evaluation, Emerging Issues	\$3,800,748	\$2,673,508	\$6,474,256
Data	\$1,698,035	\$1,304,158	\$3,002,193
Social Determinants of Health	\$8,000,000	\$2,350,000	\$10,350,000
Prevention	\$6,950,000	\$2,900,000	\$9,850,000
Harm Reduction & Rescue	\$11,408,807	\$4,589,318	\$15,998,125
Treatment	\$9,267,365	\$5,374,698	\$14,642,063
Recovery	\$4,500,000	\$3,800,000	\$8,300,000
Grand Total	\$45,924,955	\$23,491,682	\$69,416,637

State Fiscal Years 2023 and 2024: Allocated and Spent

Amounts Allocated & Spent by Pillar, SFYs 2023-2024
Total Amount Allocated: \$45,924,955



National Recognition

Johns Hopkins and the Principles Coalition: [Rhode Island was recognized as a Quarter 2 Award Winner for Excellence in the Application of the Opioid Litigation Principles.](#)

“Recognizing the immediacy of need in their state, Rhode Island seated its advisory committee in the spring of 2022 and approved the first round of expenditures in August 2022.”

National Governors Association Center for Best Practices: During the 2023 [Opioid Litigation Settlement Funds Summit](#), Rhode Island was recognized for developing a process to ensure a wide variety of voices during fiscal planning.

American Public Health Association (APHA): The [APHA recognized Rhode Island](#) for its organization, transparency, and quick distribution of settlement funds for public health services.

Next Steps

Activity	Timeline	Status
Initiate a New England Regional Overdose Task Force to examine trends, develop strategies, and increase coordination across the region	January 2025	On Track
Complete an evaluation plan	December 2024	On Track
Finalize internal multi-agency programmatic and data dashboards	January 2025	On Track
Launch a public programmatic performance and metrics dashboard	Spring 2025	On Track



Community Conversation

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Today's Community Conversation

Small Group Discussions

Objective:

Through conversation, bring together diverse voices from the community and Task Force to **identify innovation in our collective work, determine areas for improvement, and establish tangible next steps**, in alignment with the [2023 Strategic Plan Refresh](#).

Today's Community Conversation: What to Expect

1. Housekeeping and discussion agreements
2. Break out into small groups based on conversation topics
3. Discuss pre-determined questions within small groups for 40 minutes while a group member takes detailed notes
4. Return to the main room

Housekeeping and Discussion Agreements


- There is no perfect; there is no end point. *Our work is a process.*
- We can't be articulate all the time, so give the benefit of the doubt.
- Our *Intent* isn't the same as our *Impact*.
- It's ok to be uncomfortable! Growth is uncomfortable.
- Make space, Take space.
- Take breaks as you need.
- We will boldly try - and every attempt will teach us more.
- We all have something to learn and we all have something to offer.
- Be curious and ask questions!

What else would help you engage?



Breakout Rooms

1. Emerging Response to the Changing Epidemic, Including Targeting Private Locations
2. Social Determinants of Health: Strengthening Families and Communities Across the Lifespan
3. Social Determinants of Health: Housing, Employment, and Basic Needs
4. Harm Reduction and Rescue
5. Treatment
6. Racial Equity
7. Prevention
8. Recovery

1. Click this icon  for a list of breakout rooms in your meeting controls.
2. Select a breakout room from the list.
3. You'll be moved to a smaller virtual room with a few other participants.
4. If you need assistance, please select "Raise Hand" from the "Reactions" options and someone will be available to assist you.



Small Group Breakout Session (40 minutes)

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