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## **WECOSS Treatment and Recovery Working Group: 2025 Project Overview**

*Expanding Access of Opioid Agonist  
Therapies (OAT)*

# Project Purpose and Goals

## Purpose:

Support improved use and access of OAT amongst those with opioid use disorder (OUD) in our community.

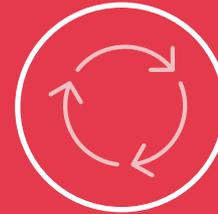
## Goals:



Improve knowledge and awareness among frontline service providers about OAT as an evidence-based care modality for people living with an OUD.



Increase confidence and skill level of frontline providers to facilitate supportive and judgement-free conversations with clients/patients who may benefit from OAT.



Create additional clinical/care pathways across the health and social service system to support clients/patients in gaining timely and low-barrier access to OAT.



# Key Project Milestones

Milestone	Timelines
Develop and issue a needs assessment survey to frontline service providers to assess knowledge gaps, education needs, and training preferences regarding OAT.	May 2025 – June 2025
Use survey results to confirm topics, formats, and settings for training and develop training content.	July 2025 – August 2025
Confirm speakers and facilitators for training.	July 2025 – August 2025
Improve navigability of OAT on WEC Connect and develop OAT referral resources.	July 2025 – August 2025
Deliver training sessions to frontline providers.	September 2025 – November 2025
Prepare a report with evaluation outcomes from trainings.	December 2025