

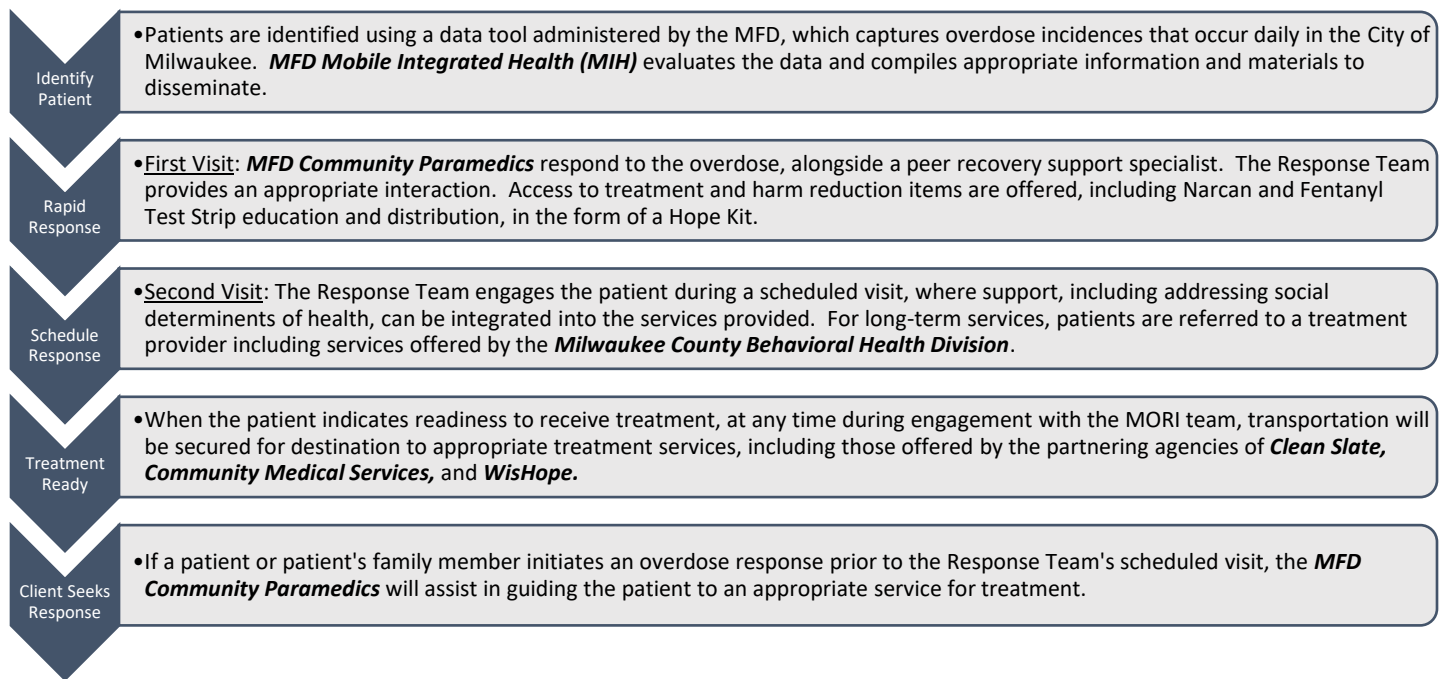
Milwaukee Overdose Response Initiative



The opioid epidemic in the United States continues to rise and the State of Wisconsin mirrors this human tragedy. The Milwaukee Overdose Response Initiative (MORI) is a community-wide approach aimed to address this ever-increasing overdose crisis. The goal is to focus on decreasing fatalities by utilizing diverse databases to uncover trends, streamline access to treatment and provide education. This goal has been initiated with an interdisciplinary team of professionals committed to affect those struggling with a substance use disorder. Both public and private entities have come together to jointly develop a strategy to comprehensively respond to overdoses.

Overdose Response Team

The Milwaukee Overdose Response Initiative (MORI) responds to those individuals and their families who have experienced an overdose. This effort involves Response Teams that consist of MFD Community Paramedics and peer recovery/support coaches. The teams provide overdose victims with guided access to appropriate treatment, counseling services, and harm reduction. Follow-up visits from the MORI team ensures victims and families are supported in their chosen treatment, including long-term recovery. **The primary goal of MORI is to decrease the number of repeated overdoses per victim through relationship building and guided access to available resources and treatment.**



The Numbers: June 2019 – December 2023

	Attempted Contacts	Successful Contacts	Sought Treatment
Client Totals	14,724	3,367	336



Harm Reduction/Hope Kits: March 2022 – December 2023

	Kits Distributed
Totals	4,576



