IMPROVE ACCESS TO SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER TREATMENT AND THE QUALITY OF CARE:

- Under Commitment 1 of the FY 2022 LDH Business Plan (ldh.la.gov/businessplan), Goal 2 of this initiative is to increase access to MOUD by expanding hours of operations at two existing Opioid Treatment Program (OTP) clinics to 24 hours, 7 days per week. The two new 24/7 extended-hour OTP initiatives are projected to serve 600 individuals per site per year, to serve a total of 1,200 individuals.

LOUISIANA’S OPIOID CRISIS:

- The most recent data from the Louisiana Opioid and Surveillance System (LODSS, lodss.ldh.la.gov) which collects data certified by coroners, shows opioid-involved deaths increased by 67%, from 588 in 2019 to 982 in 2020.
- From 2012 to 2020, opioid-involved deaths in Louisiana increased 514%.
- About one quarter of Louisiana residents receiving Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) live beyond a 35-mile radius from an OTP.

OPIOID TREATMENT PROVIDERS:

- The Louisiana Department of Health’s Office of Behavioral Health will support the opening of two new 24/7 OTPs by June 2022, bringing the total number of Louisiana extended-hours OTPs to 3.
- OTPs provide evidence-based behavioral health treatment services for individuals with opioid use disorder.
- OTPs are authorized to dispense methadone as part of a clinically-monitored MOUD, the gold standard for treatment of opioid use disorder.

24/7 TREATMENT PROVIDERS:

- OBH released a Request of Interest and conducted a review of provider capacity and qualifications.
- Behavioral Health Group/Centers for Behavioral Health - Shreveport and BAART - Hammond were selected to operationalize a 24/7-access facility.
- This will increase access to treatment services beyond the common hours of operation to 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.
- As a result, 100 new patients will be served each month at the extended sites, with a total of 1,200 individuals annually served.

LOCATIONS:

OPEN NOW: Centers for Behavioral Health, 1303 Line Ave., Suite 600, Shreveport, LA 71101
- Manager: Ramona Clifton
- Phone: 318-425-3400
- Online: bhgrecovery.com
- Northwest Louisiana (LDH Region 7): Bienville, Bossier, Caddo, Claiborne, DeSoto, Red River, Sabine and Webster parishes

COMING JUNE 2022: BAART/BayMark Programs North Shore, 615 Pride Drive, Hammond, LA 70401
- Manager: Mindy Stewart
- Phone: 985-419-1666
- Online: https://baartprograms.com/baart-programs-northshore-la
- Florida Parishes (LDH Region 9): Livingston, St. Helena, St. Tammany, Tangipahoa and Washington parishes