

# The Managed Medical Response Partnership

A Partnership Between VCJR and the Johnson Health Center

## **The MMRP:**

- Co-location of low barrier medical services, substance use treatment, intensive needs based case management
- Our aim is to create significant, positive changes in the health and well-being of our community through targeted, effective intervention.

# The Opioid Health Crisis in Vermont is Worsening

- Fentanyl is driving sharp increases in overdose deaths
- Xylazine is driving sharp increases in wounds and infections
- People with OUD are experiencing far worse health outcomes
- The most vulnerable, high risk and challenging to engage are struggling to get their needs met in traditional systems of care without significant support
- Unnecessary overutilization of EMS and Emergency Departments with poor outcomes

# Goals of MMGRP

- Provide easy access to medical care for those impacted by the opioid crisis
- Provide intensive medical case management and service coordination (outreach, engagement, crisis response, transportation, hospital visit/retention support, medication adherence)
- Address social determinants of health by assisting individuals in securing stable housing, employment and community resources
- Reduce overdose, wounds, infections, and improve mental health outcomes.
- Contribute significantly to safer and healthier community

# VCJR & JHC Approach

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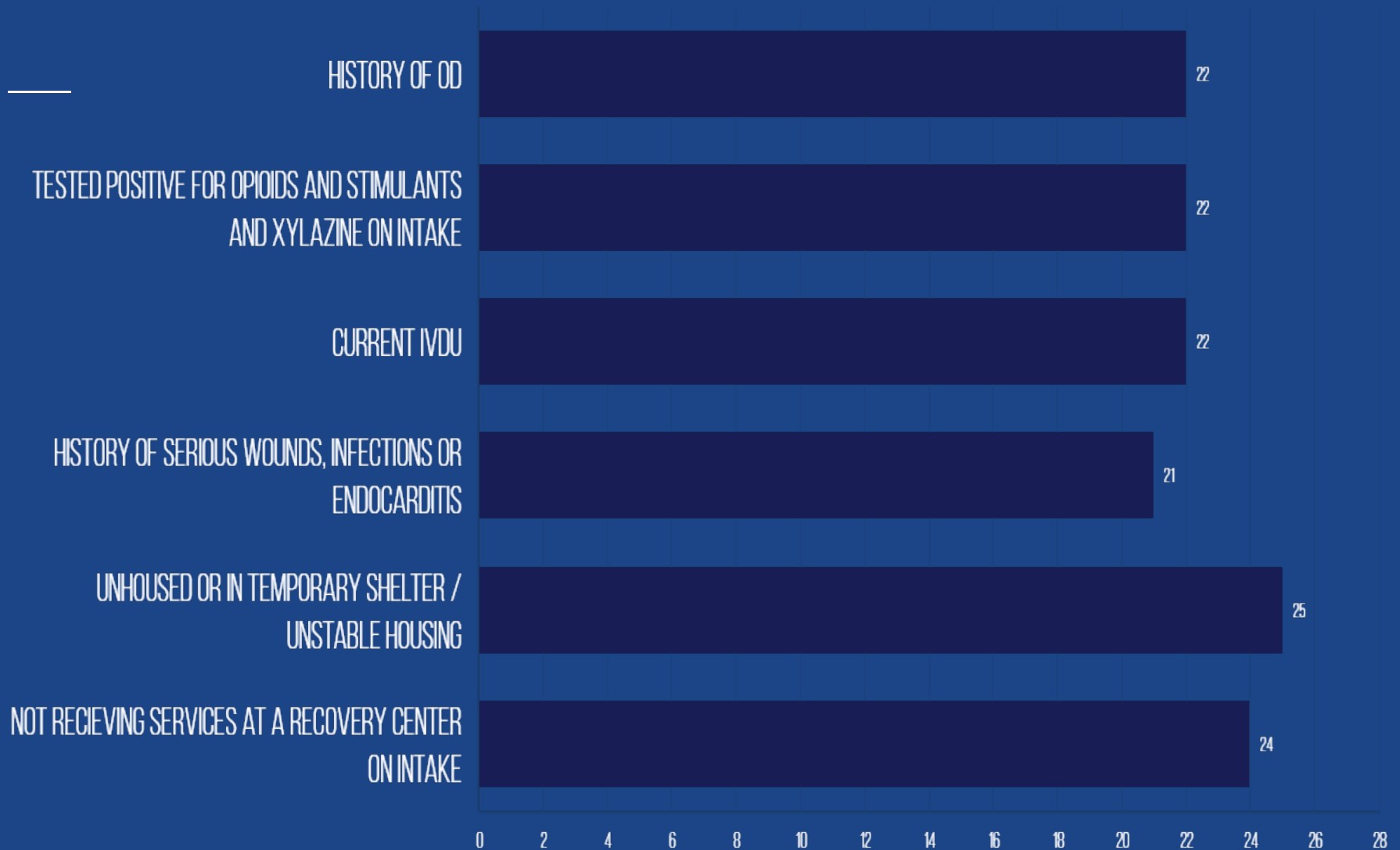
- VCJR: Full-time, low barrier reentry and recovery center.
- JHC: Providing in person pop-up clinics as well as telehealth access; with a new clinic opening adjacent to VCJR in January.
- Co-located services for easy access and trust-building.
- Specialized support and direct medical care offered free of charge to the individual seeking support.

# Who We Are Reaching

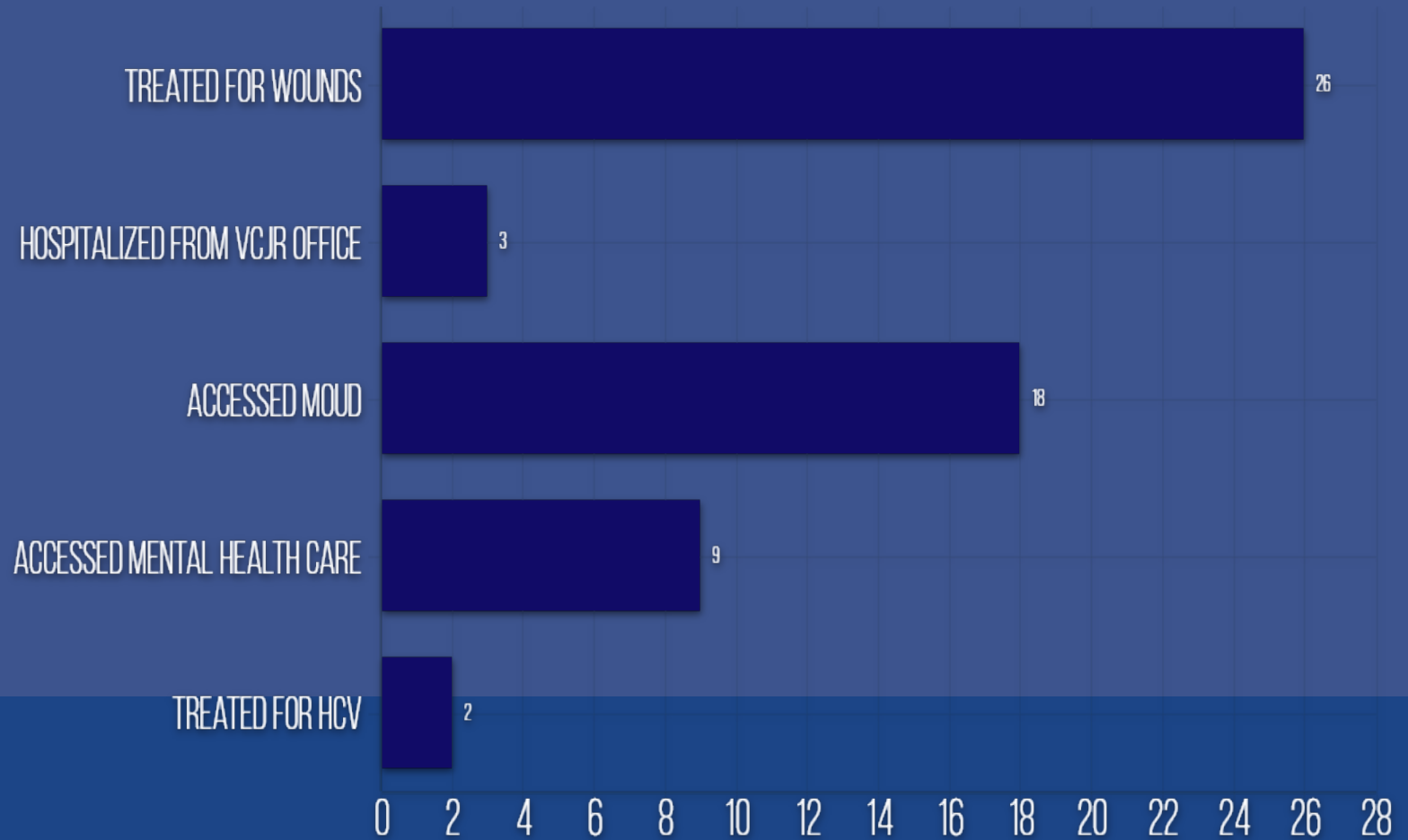
## Engaging the Disengaged:

- People who have made attempts to access care but have not had success
- People who have left the emergency room or inpatient hospitalization against medical advice (sometimes several times)
- People who do not have a primary care provider
- People who are not accessing other substance use treatment or recovery services
- People who are often asked to leave health care settings, recovery centers, day stations and other public spaces due to active use and challenging behaviors

# 26 Current Participants



# 29 Total Participants



# MMRP Utilization Data & Outcomes

- Reduced mortality rates associated with opioid use through timely medical intervention, drug treatment and recovery support
- Reductions in opioid use and improvement in mental health symptoms
- Reduction in Emergency Department and first responder usage
- Reduced need for inpatient hospitalization for serious infections related to untreated wounds
- Enhanced stability in housing, employment and overall health



# Funding Request for MMGRP

## Our Request:

- Joint request for opioid settlement funding.
- \$300,000 total (\$150,000 each for JHC and VCJR).
- Support general operating, staffing for 1 FTE each.
- We anticipate serving 75-100 new people over the next year.