## **AGENCY SNAPSHOT**

# **Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services**

Mission and Services To ensure the availability and quality of a continuum of substance use services, thereby improving the health status, safety, and quality of life of individuals, families, and communities across South Carolina

Coordinates a statewide system of local agencies that provide substance use prevention, treatment, and recovery services

### **Organizational Units**

Administration Services/External Affairs Program Accountability/Treatment Program Accountability/Prevention Finance & Operations Information Technology Health Integration & Innovation

#### History

Initially created in 1957 as the S.C. Alcoholic Rehabilitation Center and granted treatment authority, the agency opened the first statefunded facility for alcoholism in 1962. In 1993, the agency was established as a cabinet agency, becoming the Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS), and charged with ensuring quality services to prevent or reduce the negative consequences of substance use.

### Resources (FY 17-18)

## **Employees**

filled FTE positions at the end of the year

#### Funding

\$55,666,679 appropriated and authorized

#### Emerging:

- · Increasing the number and quality of recovery residences in South Carolina
- · Sustaining capacity and providing financial assistance for treatment services to indigent South Carolinians long-term
- Addressing stigma associated with substance use disorders Increasing trends in cocaine and methamphetamine use
  - · Educating healthcare providers, parents, and educators about the risks of marijuana use among youth and women who are pregnant and nursing
  - · Filling vacancies in public addiction service provider system as anticipated turnover is over 25% in next five years

#### Successes

Identified by the agency

- · Obtaining a \$28 million state opioid response grant that will assist with increasing access to medication-assistant treatment; reducing unmet needs; and reducing opioid overdose-related deaths
- Emphasizing prevention programs associated with the reduction of underage drinking
- · Impacting health of South Carolinians as patients' past 30-day use of alcohol decreased by 27.6%; patients past 30-day use of any substance decreased by 37.5%; and patients' past 30day employment status rose by 7.7.%



Current:

Figure 1. Snapshot of agency's mission, services, organizational units, history, FY 2017-18 resources, successes, and challenges. 1