# Workshop

# GEORGIA OPIOID CRISIS ABATEMENT TRUST

# Today's Presenters

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Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trustee & Commissioner, DBHDD

# **Cassandra Price**

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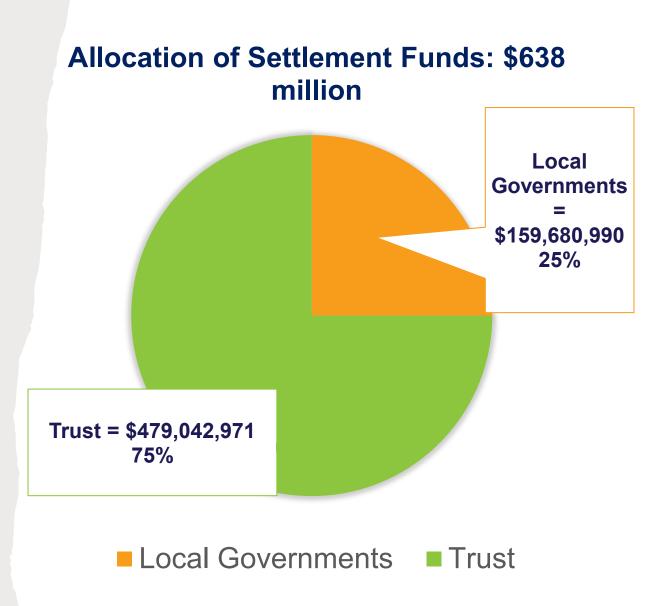
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# National Distributors and Manufacturers Opioid Settlements

- Total funds to Georgia = \$638 million
  - 75% (\$479 million) sent by the National Administrator to the Trust
  - 25% (\$159 million) distributed by the National Administrator directly to the Participating Local Governments in Georgia
- Payments will be made over 9 or 18 years:
  - Manufacturers (J&J, Janssen, etc.) \$91 million over 9 years
  - Distributors (*McKesson, etc.*) \$387.9 million over 18 years



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- Georgia's Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) was executed by the Attorney General's Office and local governments
- MOU sets the parameters of how Settlement Funds are distributed
  - State's Share: 75% goes to Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust (the "Trust")
  - Local Governments' Share: 25%
- MOU establishes four Opioid Settlement Governing Entities:
  - Trustee
  - Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission (GOSAC)
  - Regional Advisory Councils (RACs)
  - Qualifying Block Grantees (QBGs)

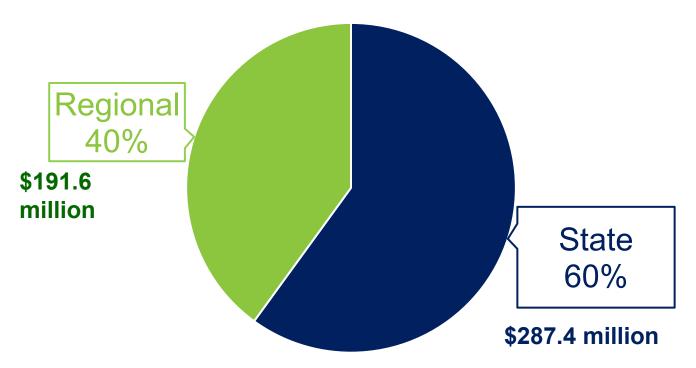
# National Distributors and Manufacturers Opioid Settlement

Allocation of Trust's \$479 million, per the MOU:

- 40% of the Trust will be distributed on a regional basis
- 60% of the Trust will be distributed on a state basis

### National Distributors and Manufacturers Opioid Settlement





# Core Strategies and Approved Uses

 Funds must be spent in accordance with the Core Strategies and Approved Uses outlined in Exhibit E of the Opioid Settlement.

### **Core Strategies include:**

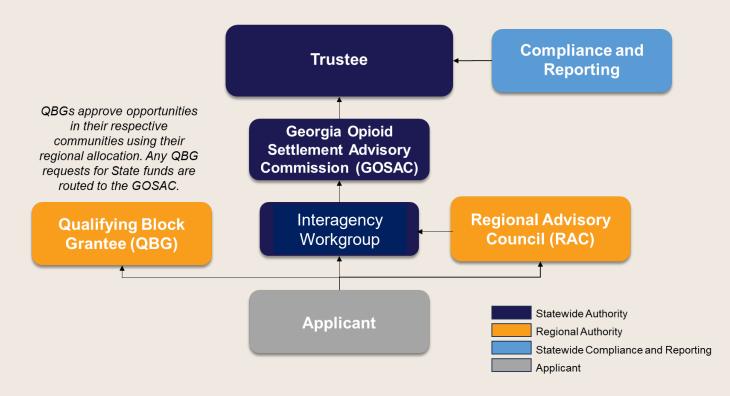
- Naloxone or other FDA-approved drugs to reverse opioid overdoses
- Medication-assisted treatment distribution and other opioid-related treatment
- Pregnant & postpartum women
- Expanding treatment for Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome
- Expansion of warm hand-off programs and recovery services
- Treatment for incarcerated population
- Prevention programs
- Expanding syringe services programs
- Evidence-based data collection and research analyzing the effectiveness of the abatement strategies within the state

### **Approved Uses include:**

- Prevention
- Treatment
- Recovery
- Harm Reduction
- Research, Education, Evaluation

## Governance Structure

Each governing entity is established with discrete authority to provide decision making and guidance based on their role within the program.



# Application Review Process: State Funding

The Trustee or his/her delegate makes decisions regarding expenditures of State Opioid Funds after consulting with the GOSAC.

Intake Review Award Decision

- Applicant submits funding request for statewide funding via a portal.
- Portal routes the request to the Opioid Liaison for completeness review.
- Opioid Liaison routes completed applications to the IWG.

- Interagency Workgroup reviews the request, leveraging a streamlined application checklist, and forwards recommendations to the GOSAC.
- GOSAC votes on funding requests. Requests recommended for approval are forwarded to the Trustee for final review and approval.
- Trustee or his/her delegate reviews recommendations and makes final decisions on funding applications.
- A GOSAC Liaison assists the GOSAC and Interagency Workgroup with administrative elements of reviews.

- Applicant is notified of the award decision via the portal.
- Funds to be disbursed after contract executed and based on reported expenditures.

# Georgia Opioid Settlement Advisory Commission - GOSAC

- Deputy Executive Counsel Evan Meyers, non-voting chair of GOSAC
- 4 GOSAC state members appointed by Gov. Kemp:
  - Cassandra Price
  - Chris Rustin
  - Gary Sisk
  - Grant Thomas

- 4 GOSAC local members
  - Georgia Association of Community Service Boards appointed David A. Kidd
  - Betty Cason
  - Clay Davis
  - Edward Reynolds

# Application Review Process: Regional Funding

The RAC first reviews funding requests, before forwarding recommendations to the GOSAC. QBGs independently manage their funding request processes.

### Intake

- Applicant submits funding request for regional funding via the Portal.
- Portal routes the request to the Opioid Liaison for completeness check.
- Opioid Liaison routes complete regional applications to the appropriate RAC for review.

### Review

- RAC reviews the request and forwards recommendations to the Opioid Liaison.
- Opioid Liaison compiles a consent agenda for GOSAC of the recommendations by the RACs.
- GOSAC votes on funding requests. Requests recommended for approval are forwarded to the Trustee for final review and approval.
- Trustee or his/her delegate reviews recommendations and makes final decisions on funding applications.
- Opioid Liaison assists the RACs, GOSAC and Trustee with administrative elements of reviews and decisionmaking.

### **Award Decision**

- Applicant is notified of the award decision via the portal.
- Funds to be disbursed after contract executed and based on reported expenditures.

# **Applicant Tips**

01 02 03 04 05 Review the Follow all Ensure Review FAQs Review before starting Notice of instructions to selection of Resources on Funding funding source application the landing ensure Opportunity completeness is accurate process page of application (NOFO) (regional vs carefully state)

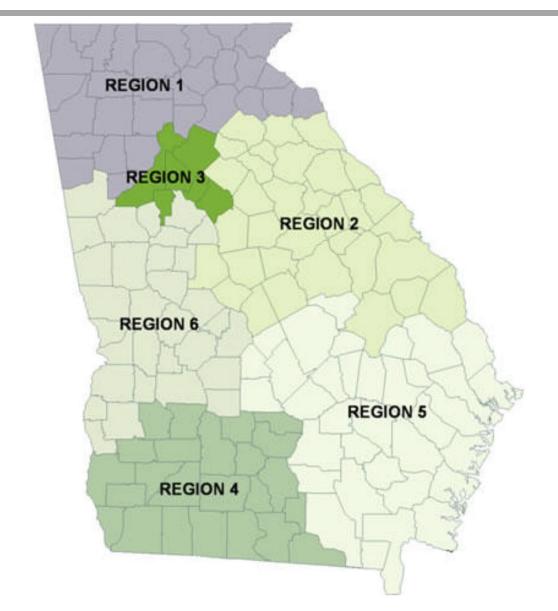
# Regional Advisory Councils (RACs)

- RAC regions mimic the six DBHDD regions
- Plus, each Qualifying Block Grantee (Cobb, Dekalb, Fulton, Gwinnett, and the City of Atlanta) serves as its own region
- Total of 11 regions under Settlement
- Utilizing the same regions as the DBHDD regions increases administrative efficiency



# **Georgia Opioid Crisis Abatement Trust**

ENTER TOTAL SETTLEMENT AMOUNT	\$50,000,000
Percent of Trustee Fund to State/Regions	60%/40%
Region Allocation Metrics	MOU Metrics
OUD Data Years	2016-2018
Total Amount to State	\$30,000,000
Total Amount to Regions	\$20,000,000
Regions Detailed Outputs	
Region 1	\$4,835,205
Region 2	\$2,890,652
Region 3	\$735,020
Region 4	\$914,791
Region 5	\$2,648,376
Region 6	\$2,880,022
Region 7 (Cobb County)	\$1,433,191
Region 8 (Gwinnett County)	\$1,195,014
Region 9 (DeKalb County)	\$833,403
Region 10 (Fulton County)	\$644,002
Region 11 (Atlanta)	\$990,325
Percent of Total Regional Allocation	
Region 1	24.18%
Region 2	14.45%
Region 3	3.68%
Region 4	4.57%
Region 5	13.24%
Region 6	14.40%
Region 7 (Cobb County)	7.17%
Region 8 (Gwinnett County)	5.98%
Region 9 (DeKalb County)	4.17%
Region 10 (Fulton County)	3.22%
Region 11 (Atlanta)	4.95%





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