

final minutes

Opioid Advisory Commission (OAC) Meeting

10:45 a.m. • January 22, 2025

Legislative Conference Room • 3rd Floor Boji Tower Building
124 W. Allegan Street • Lansing, MI

Members Present:

Dr. Chad Audi
Ricardo Bowden
Judge Linda Davis (ret.)
Katharine Hude
Mona Makki
Patrick Patterson
Dr. Cara Poland
Kyle Rambo
Dr. Sarah Stoddard
Jamie Stuck

Members Excused:

Sheriff Charles Heit
Representative Mary Whiteford (fmr.)

Christina Hawkins serving as Data Administrator to the Commission was in attendance.

Jennifer Dettloff serving as ex-officio to the Commission was in attendance.

I. Call to Order

The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:45 a.m.

II. Roll Call

The Chair asked the clerk to take roll. The clerk reported a quorum was present. The Chair asked for absent members to be excused. The Chair welcomed Dr. Audi to the Commission.

III. Approval of the November 13, 2024 Meeting Minutes

The Chair directed attention to the proposed minutes of the November 13, 2024 meeting and asked if there were any changes. **Judge Davis moved, supported by Mr. Bowden to approve the minutes of the November 13, 2024 meeting minutes. There was no further discussion and the Chair asked for a roll call vote. The motion prevailed and the minutes were approved.**

IV. 2025 Commission Meeting Dates

The Chair directed attention to the proposed 2025 Commission meeting dates. The Chair noted Ms. Hawkins will send calendar appointments to commission members and will follow up with commission members availability prior to each meeting to confirm a quorum.

The Chair asked for a moment of silence for individuals who lost their lives due to addiction.

V. Public Comment

The Chair asked if there were any comments from the public. There were none.

VI. Guest Speaker Andrew Whitacre, Pew Charitable Trusts Policy Recommendations

The Chair welcomed Mr. Whitacre to the Commission. Mr. Whitacre provided materials for his presentation to the Commission.

VII. Key Activities of the Opioid Advisory Commission (OAC)

- General Updates

The Chair reported that work is completed on the Commission's draft annual report.

- Legislative Engagement

The Chair reported communication with Speaker Hall's office remains the Commission's most engaged office noting no engagement received from other leadership offices. The Chair reported continued communication with Senator Hertel's office and noted working on a meeting with Senator Santana's office. The Chair reported waiting on legislative committee assignments.

Judge Davis suggested a meeting with Representative Bollin.

Mr. Stuck offered assistance with outreach to legislators.

- 2025 Report Update

The Chair directed attention to the draft Opioid Advisory Commission 2025 Annual Report and asked if there were any changes. **Mr. Rambo moved, supported by Mr. Stuck to approve the Opioid Advisory Commission 2025 Annual Report.** There was no further discussion. The Chair asked for a roll call vote. **The motion passed and the Opioid Advisory Commission 2025 Annual Report was adopted.**

Yeas: 10

Nays: 0

Abstain: 0

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VIII. Commission Member Comment

The Chair asked if there were any comments from Commission members.

Judge Davis reported Families Against Narcotics (FAN) has completed a needs assessment. Judge Davis will share reports available with Ms. Hawkins for distribution to Commission members.

Mr. Stuck reported he will be speaking at the February tribal meeting that will be held in Lansing.

The Chair reported the Opioid Advisory Commission 2025 Annual Report to be released on Tuesday, January 28, 2025. There was unanimous support from Commission members.

Commission members expressed appreciation to Ms. Hawkins for her work preparing the Opioid Advisory Commission 2025 Annual Report.

Dr. Stoddard noted her role on the Community Preventive Services Task Force and reported the taskforce is in the process of reviewing substance use prevention noting some reports are available and additional reports are set to be released soon. Dr. Stoddard will share reports available with Ms. Hawkins for distribution Commission members.

Mr. Bowden expressed the importance of the Commission's work noting access to essential supplies is needed in communities to prevent overdoses.

Mr. Stuck reported HB5600 introducing a new tribal liaison office has been signed.

Ms. Makki noted her role with ACCESS and reported that ACCESS has begun construction on a new facility that will offer various recovery services.

IX. Next Meeting Date: Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

The Chair announced the next meeting is Thursday, February 13, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. in the Legislative Council's conference room.

X. Adjournment

There being no further business before the Commission the Chair adjourned the meeting at 11:51 a.m. with unanimous support.

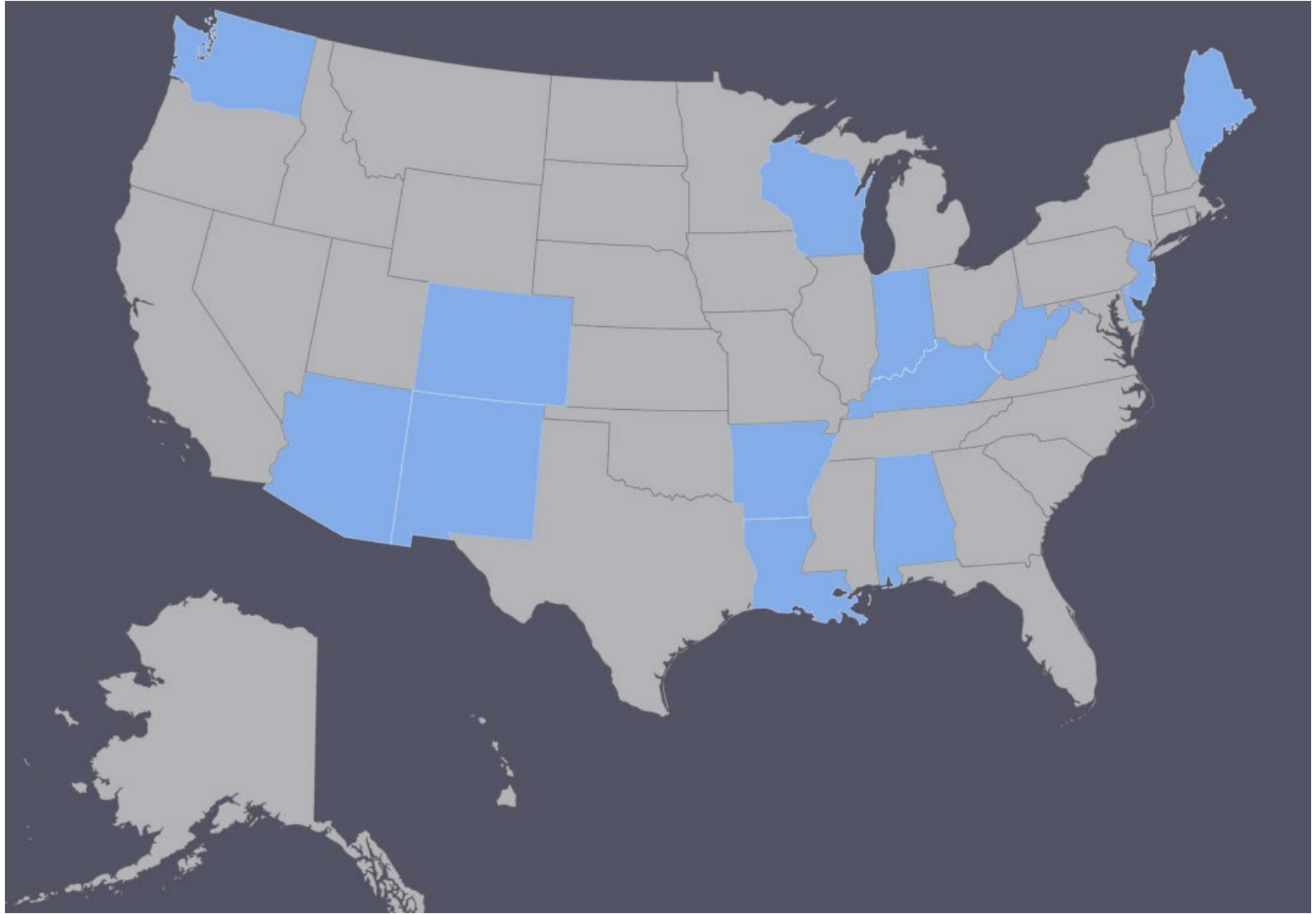
Opioid Advisory Commission Proposed 2025 Meeting Dates:

- **January:** Wednesday, January 22, 2025 @ 10:45am-12:45pm
- **February:** Thursday, February 13, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm
- **March:** Thursday, March 6, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm
- **April:** Thursday, April 17, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm
- **May:** Thursday, May 8, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm
- **June:** No meeting
- **July:** Thursday, July 10, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm
- **August:** No meeting
- **September:** Thursday, September 11, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm
- **October:** Thursday, October 9, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm
- **November:** Thursday, November 13, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm
- **December:** Thursday, December 11, 2025 @ 10:00am-12:00pm

Discussion of Michigan Policy Recommendations

State Principles for Financing Substance Use Care,
Treatment, and Support Services

Informed by Experience with State Policy



Key Analyses Informing Policy Recommendations

1. Pew's review of state-specific opioid treatment program (OTP) regulations
2. Expert analysis of the state's buprenorphine policies
3. State-specific mapping
4. Conversations with stakeholders in the state

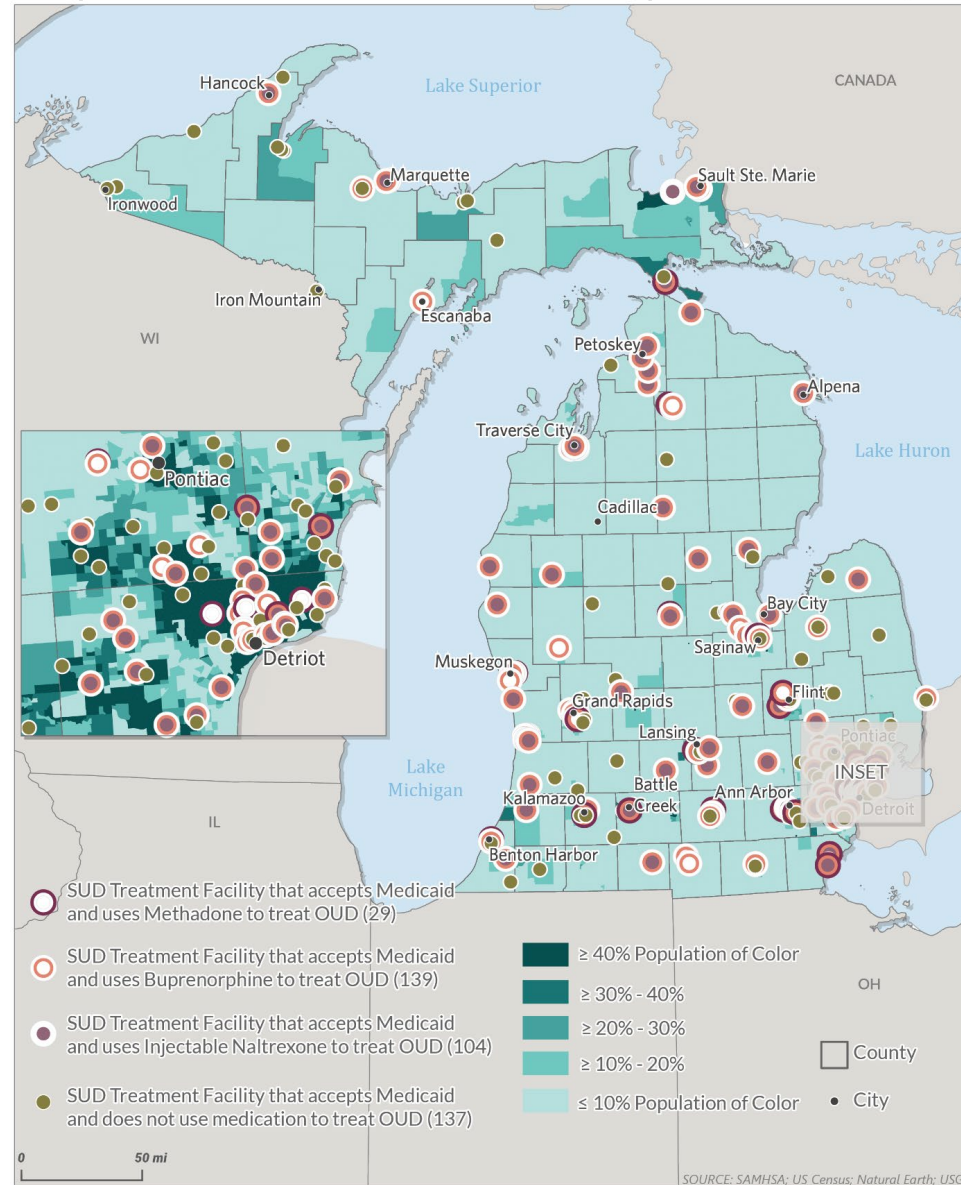
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Michigan Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment Facilities that Accept Medicaid and Use Medication to Treat Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)



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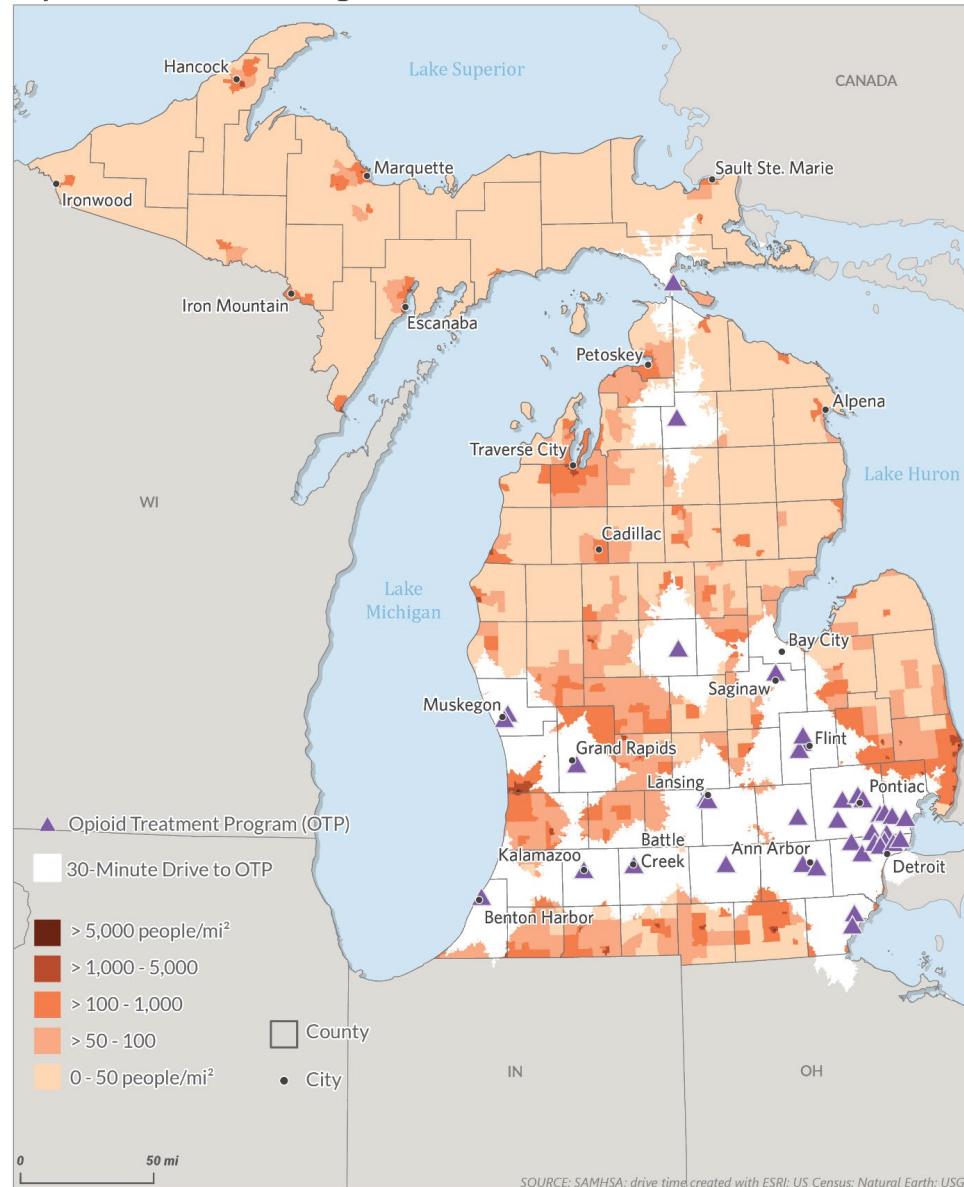
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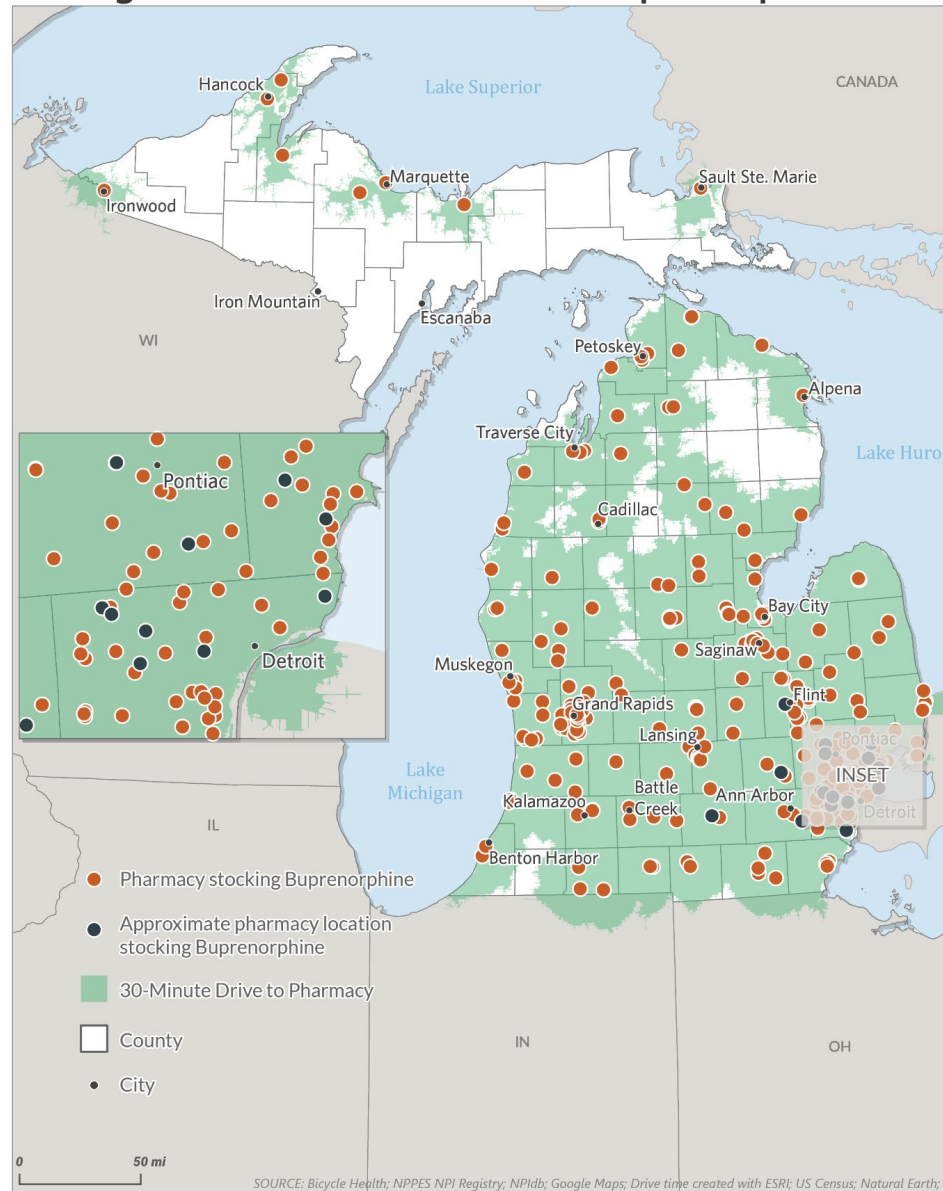
Michigan Population Density Outside 30 Minutes Driving of Opioid Treatment Program Locations



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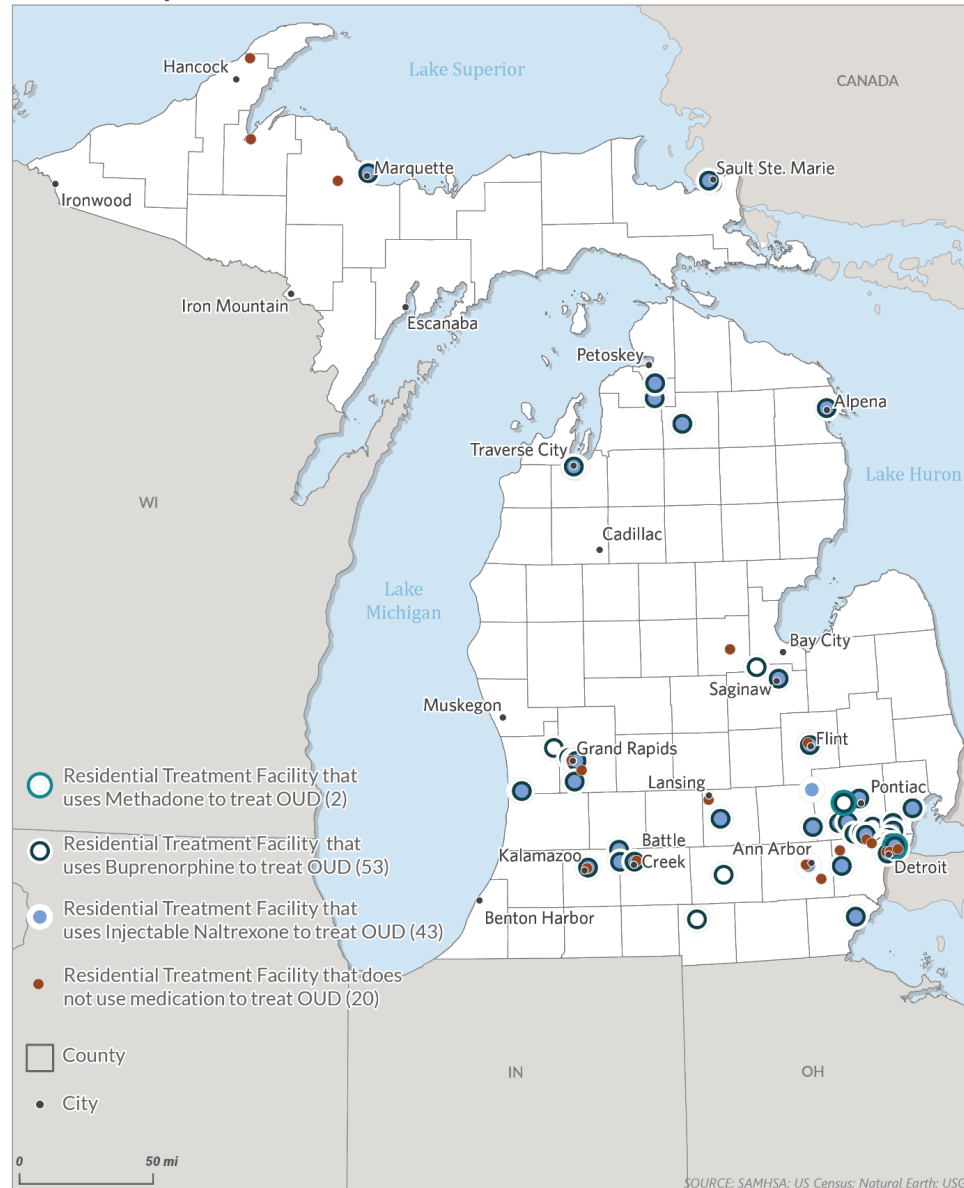
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Pew Policy Resources to Assist Michigan Efforts

1. Pew staff expertise
 - OTP regulations/payment reform (CO & KY)
 - On-site MOUD for licensure of residential treatment facilities (LA)
 - OUD metrics
2. Contracted subject matter experts
3. Connections to peers in other states on relevant policy implementation
4. Pew policy-focused publications:
 - [50-State OTP Regulatory Analysis](#)
 - [NCUIH Financing Strategies for Behavioral Health in Indian Country Toolkit](#)
 - [OUD Treatment Metrics](#)
 - [State Policies to Expand Access to Buprenorphine](#)

Timeline of Pew's Engagement in Michigan

- Stakeholder conversations - **July – Ongoing (complete)**
- Recommendations development & memo delivery - **August—November (complete)**
- Policy implementation support – **until Summer 2025**

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