

# Michigan Re-entry Project (MI-REP) Staff Feedback

In October 2020, the Wayne State University Center for Behavioral Health and Justice MI-REP Evaluation Team disseminated the annual survey to MI-REP staff to gather feedback on training needs, meeting structure, and the impact of the COVID-19 crisis on their work with the program participants.

### Survey participation is 100%

All 23 staff recipients responded to the survey. Staff were represented from Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, Monroe, and Kent counties. Of the 23 respondents, 35% have been with MI-REP for less than six months.



## Staff are satisfied and confident in MI-REP

100% are confident that MI-REP will have a positive impact on participants

91% of MI-REP staff rate their overall experience to be excellent or good

### COVID-19 has been a barrier

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86% clients' engagement in MI-REP services

82% ability to build rapport with their clients

79% clients' engagement in community services

61% clients' ability to move forward in their recovery

## Meetings and collaborations are productive

100% said their collaboration with parole/probation is going well

91% who attend the monthly clinical consult call with UMASS find it very useful

90% who attend the weekly tracking call with a WSU coordinator find it very useful

## Staff feedback supporting harm reduction...

"We are in need for housing [for clients] and direction to begin harm reduction efforts that is already taking place in other counties. We need to carry Narcan, needle exchange, [fentanyl] test strips..."

### Staff report that they are well-trained in most areas

Nearly all MI-REP staff responded that they did not need further training at this time. However, between 1 and 4 people requested additional training in one or more of the following areas:



Risk-Needs-Responsivity



Engaging clients virtually, Stimulants, Trauma, and GPRAs



Motivational Interviewing, MISSION Model, Redcap, MOUD, and Sexual Offenses