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## Criminal Justice Issues and Prisoners' Rights

<https://www.vera.org/research/up-close-with-the-opioid-crisis>

## Policy Issue Resources

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Addressing Opioid Use through the Criminal Justice System

The United States is experiencing an epidemic of drug overdose deaths that cuts across economic, racial, and geographic boundaries. In the midst of this devastation, people are struggling to find ways to save the lives of their community members. While the war on drugs created tough enforcement policies that resulted in a bloated justice system, ...

A crisis

Proven, evidence-based treatment for addiction and strategies such as medication-assisted treatment (MAT) can significantly reduce deaths, especially when they are available at various stages of the justice system. MAT programs use medication (methadone, buprenorphine, and naltrexone) in addition to counseling and behavioral therapy to treat substa ...

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