

# OPIOID SETTLEMENT UPDATES FOR NC LOCAL GOVERNMENTS

August 2023

For NC local governments receiving opioid settlement funds, here are some important updates from the NC Department of Justice (NC DOJ):

**[1] Confirm and Update:** August 18 is the deadline to confirm that you received recent opioid settlement payments and update your local contact info through the Annual Status Survey. Please use this link: [https://unc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV\\_6Xd33wUdnIzIYjI](https://unc.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_6Xd33wUdnIzIYjI)

**[2] Updated MOA Guidance:** NC DOJ has released two important documents:

- An updated FAQ about the Memorandum of Agreement (MOA)
- New guidance on the steps that local governments must take to authorize opioid settlement spending under the MOA and state law

For these and other resources, please visit NC DOJ's MorePowerfulNC website (<https://www.morepowerfulnc.org>) and click on Opioid Settlements / NC Memorandum of Agreement.

**[3] Annual Reports Due Soon:** September 27 is the deadline for local government receiving opioid settlement funds to file their Annual Financial Reports and Annual Impact Reports.

- To submit your reports, use the portals on the Community Opioid Resources Engine (CORE-NC) at <https://ncopioidsettlement.org/reporting/>
- Note that the requirements for the Annual Financial Report (MOA Exhibit E) and Annual Impact Report (MOA Exhibit F) were recently modified by the NC MOA Coordination Group.

To see the modified reports, visit NC DOJ's MorePowerfulNC website (<https://www.morepowerfulnc.org>) and click on Opioid Settlements / NC Memorandum of Agreement; and to learn more about the NC MOA Coordination Group, click on Opioid Settlements / NC MOA Coordination Group.

**[4] We're Here to Help:** Take advantage of these great resources!

If you are a local government in need of technical assistance planning, implementing, or evaluating opioid settlement strategies, contact the NC Association of County Commissioners ([opioidsettlement@ncacc.org](mailto:opioidsettlement@ncacc.org)).

If you have a legal question about the opioid settlements or NC Memorandum of Agreement, contact the NC Department of Justice at [opioidsettlement@ncdoj.gov](mailto:opioidsettlement@ncdoj.gov).

If you have a question about accessing reporting portals or experience technical issues while submitting reports, please contact the CORE-NC team at the UNC Injury Prevention Research Center at [opioidsettlement@unc.edu](mailto:opioidsettlement@unc.edu).