

Corrections, Mental Health, & Medicaid - Support for Successful Re-Entry

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U.S. Incarceration Rate

- Stable from 1920s – early 1970s
- QUADRUPLED since the early 1970s

WHY?

<http://www.nap.edu/catalog/18613/the-growth-of-incarceration-in-the-united-states-exploring-causes?gclid=CKSkubjXjM4CFYWBaQodc4MKfw>

County/City Jails

Daily Census: **about 750,000**

- **187,500** (25%) persons with a mental illness
- **375,000** (50%) persons with a substance use disorder
- Major co-morbidity between the two groups

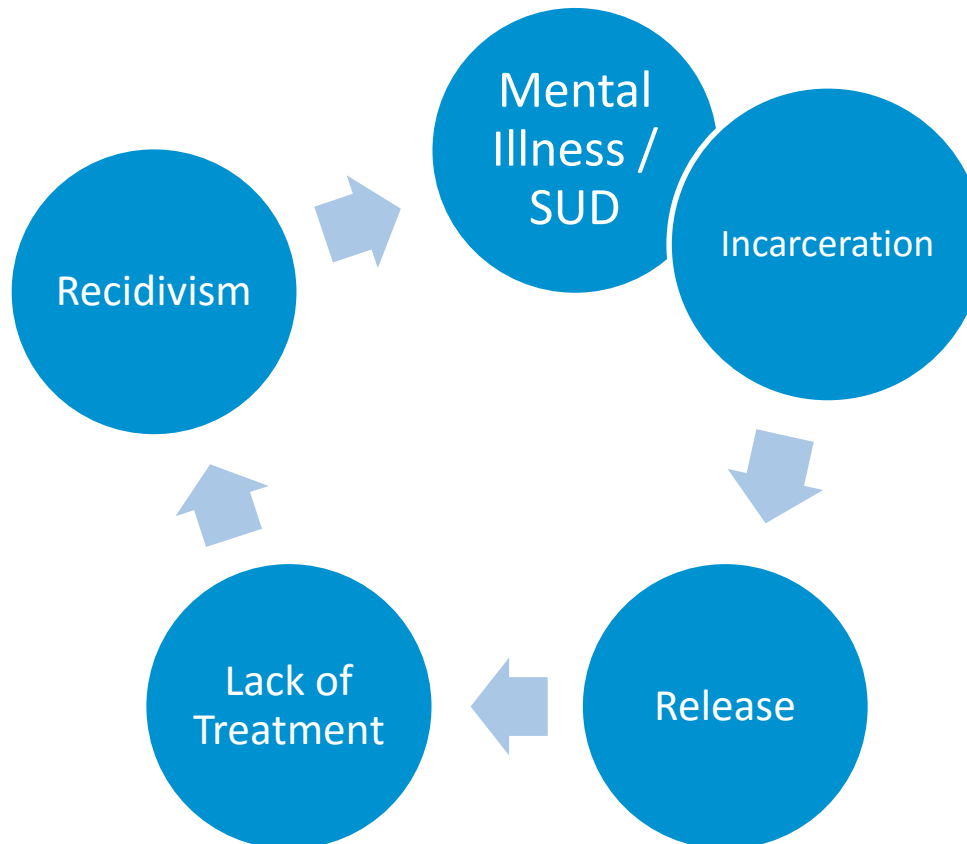
Federal/State Prisons

Federal Daily Census: **about 215,000**

State Daily Census: **about 1,270,800**

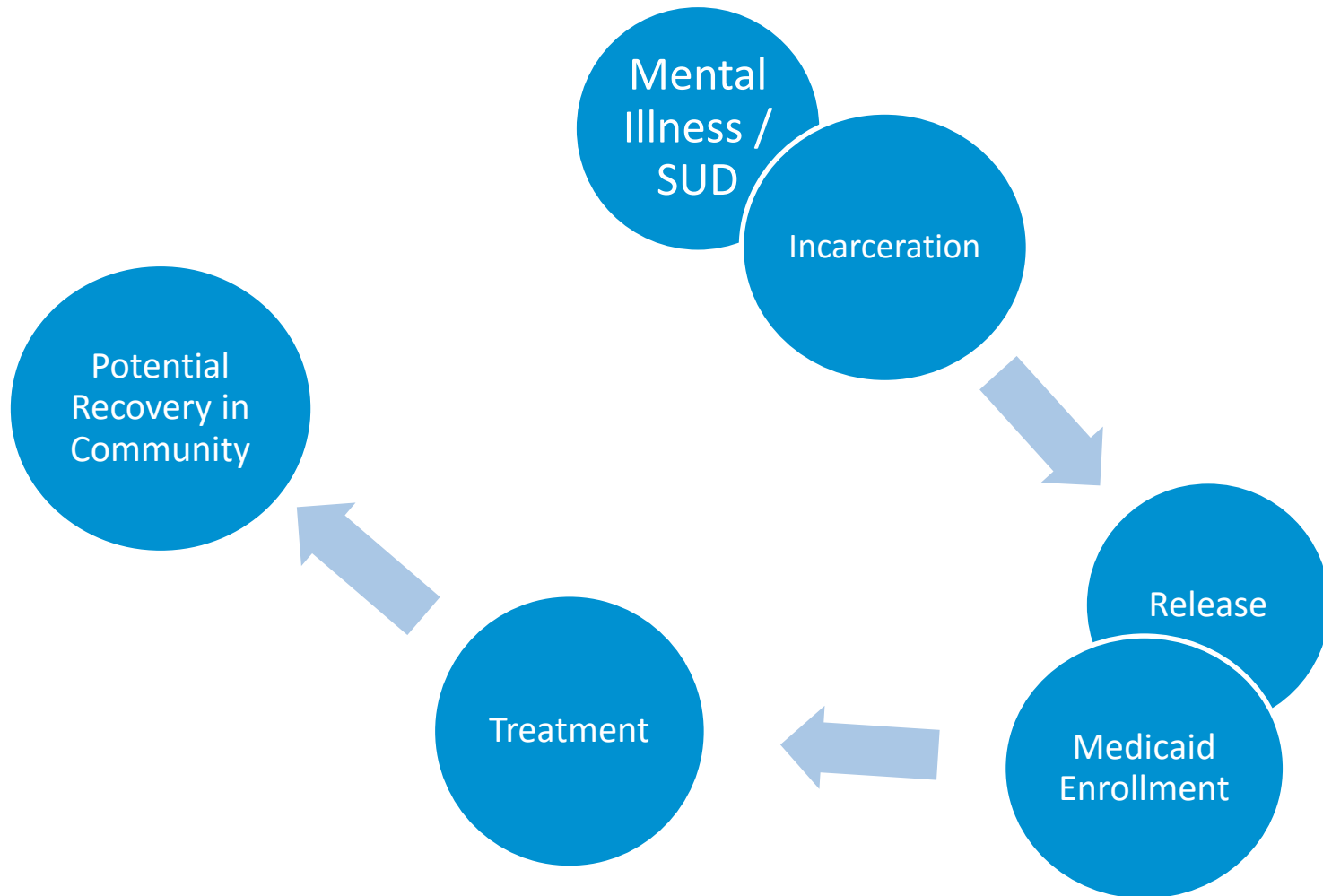
It is estimated that 1 out of every 2 inmates (50%) has a mental illness or substance use disorder; and there is a high degree of comorbidity.

The Healthcare Connection



<https://www.ncadd.org/about-addiction/alcohol-drugs-and-crime>

A Different Outcome



Questions?

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