MENTAL HEALTH & ADDICTION

People experiencing homelessness are disproportionately impacted by the challenges associated with managing mental health and substance abuse disorders. Here’s what these challenges look like for people in Oregon and across the U.S.

NEARLY 1 IN 5 AMERICANS STRUGGLE WITH MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES

In 2017, Mental Health America ranked Oregon **worst** in the nation for mental illness rates and access to treatment.

In Oregon, 692,000 or **22.6%** of adults experience mental health issues.

Over half receive **no treatment**.

DRUG OVERDOSE IS THE LEADING CAUSE OF DEATH FOR AMERICANS UNDER 50

Drug overdose = 63,600

Motor vehicles = 40,300

Firearms = 38,500

In Oregon, **89%** of those with a substance abuse disorder receive **no treatment**.

Of the people experiencing homelessness in Oregon, **68%** of those with a substance abuse disorder are living in unsheltered locations.

NATIONALLY, MORE THAN 50% OF ADULTS WITH CO–OCCURRING MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE DISORDERS DO NOT RECEIVE TREATMENT FOR EITHER DISORDER.

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