

More people die in North Carolina of an accidental drug overdose than from any other cause of accidental death. A major driver of these preventable deaths is the persistent lack of access to medical care for people with substance use disorder (SUD) – a crisis fueled by stigma and

discrimination across the healthcare system.

DRNC launched the **Substance Use Disorder Healthcare Project** in 2023 to confront this injustice head-on. In just two years, we've secured life-saving accommodations, restored care, and fought discrimination in hospitals, pharmacies, treatment centers, recovery courts, and more.

DRNC has trained thousands and advocated for individuals across NC, enforcing the rights of people with SUD under federal disability law. Our work is powered by the trust we've built – trust that has led to a steady stream of clients and the beginning of systemic change.



Without renewed funding, this critical work may come to a halt. **We need your partnership to keep the momentum going.** Your support will help ensure that this progress continues. Join us in making NC a leader in healthcare equity for people with SUD.



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