

Behavioral Health is Essential To Health



Prevention Works



Treatment is Effective



People Recover



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SAMHSA: Mission and Vision

- **Mission:** To reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness on America's communities.
- **Vision:** SAMHSA provides leadership and devotes its resources towards helping the nation act on the knowledge that:
 - *Behavioral health is essential for health;*
 - *Prevention works;*
 - *Treatment is effective; and*
 - *People recover.*

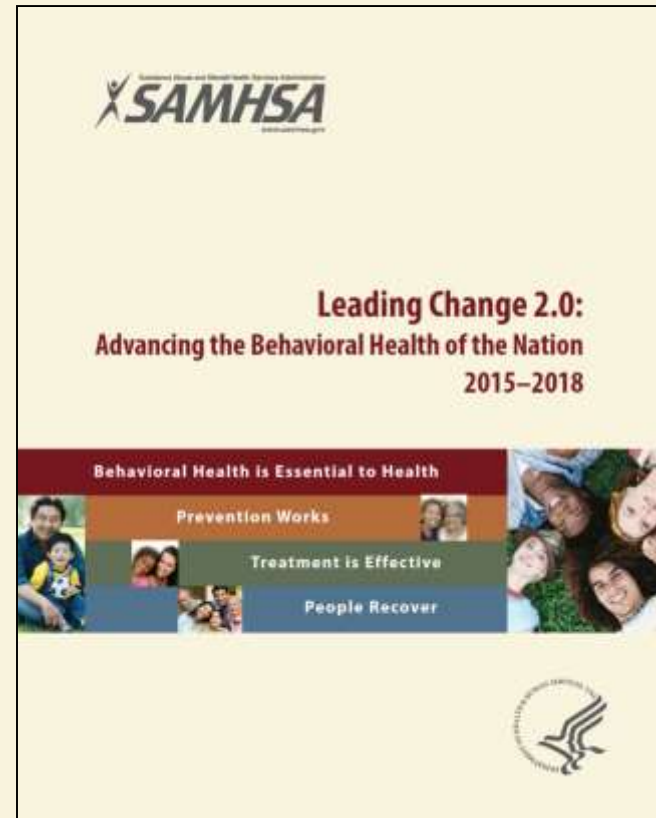
SAMHSA's Roles

- **Leadership and voice**
Leading the field through the Office of the Chief Medical Officer*
- **Health surveillance**
National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH)
- **Practice improvement**
Early intervention and medication assisted treatment
- **Public education and awareness**
Mental Health First Aid and Recovery Month
- **Regulation and standard setting**
Opioid treatment and work place drug-testing programs
- **Strategic grant and contract resource investment**
Focusing on diversion and moving upstream

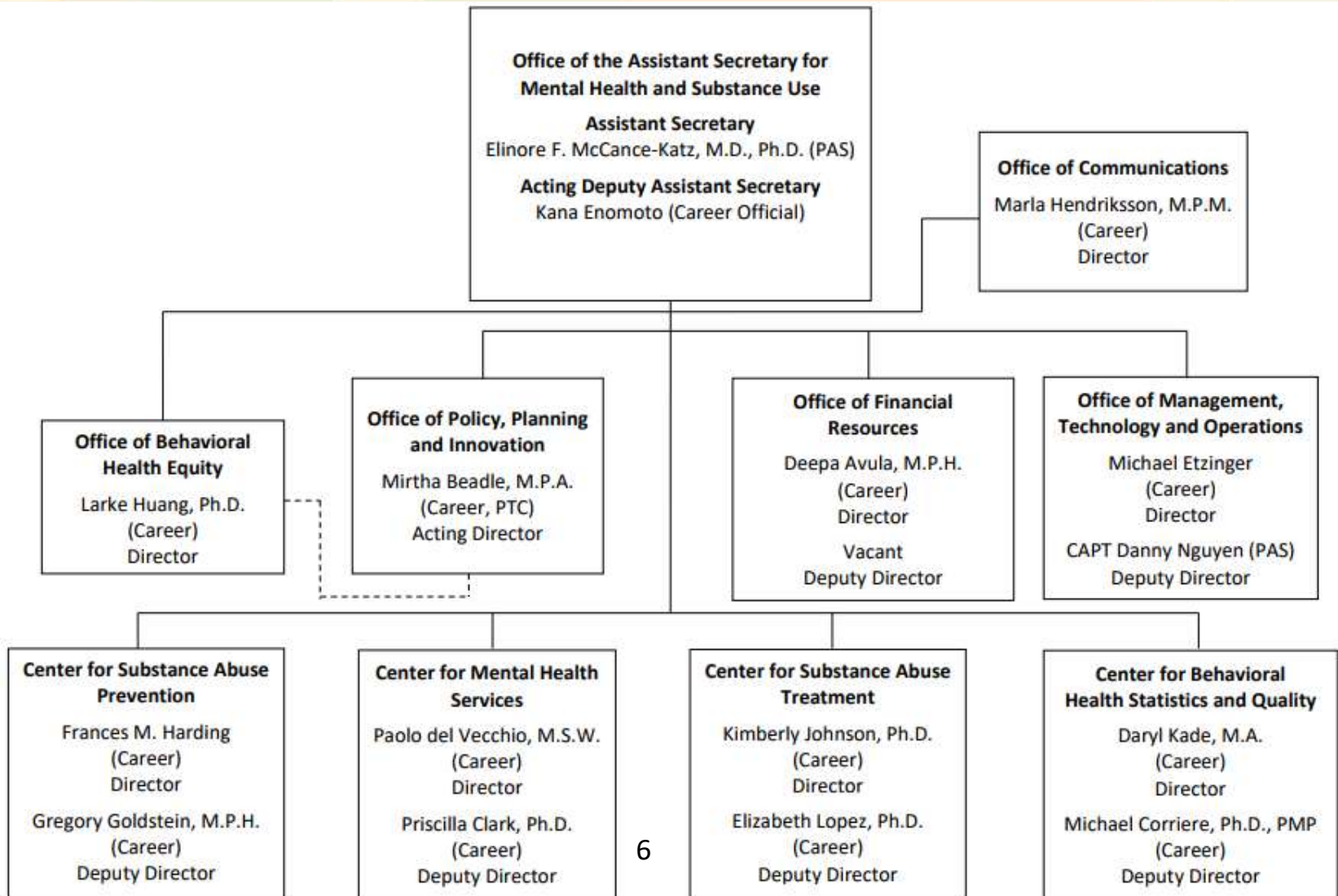
*Examples are not meant to be illustrative and is not exhaustive.

SAMHSA's STRATEGIC INITIATIVES

1. Prevention
2. Health Care and Health Systems Integration
3. Trauma and Justice
4. Recovery Support
5. Health Information Technology (Completed)
6. Workforce Development



Organizational Chart (as of FY 2018 budget)

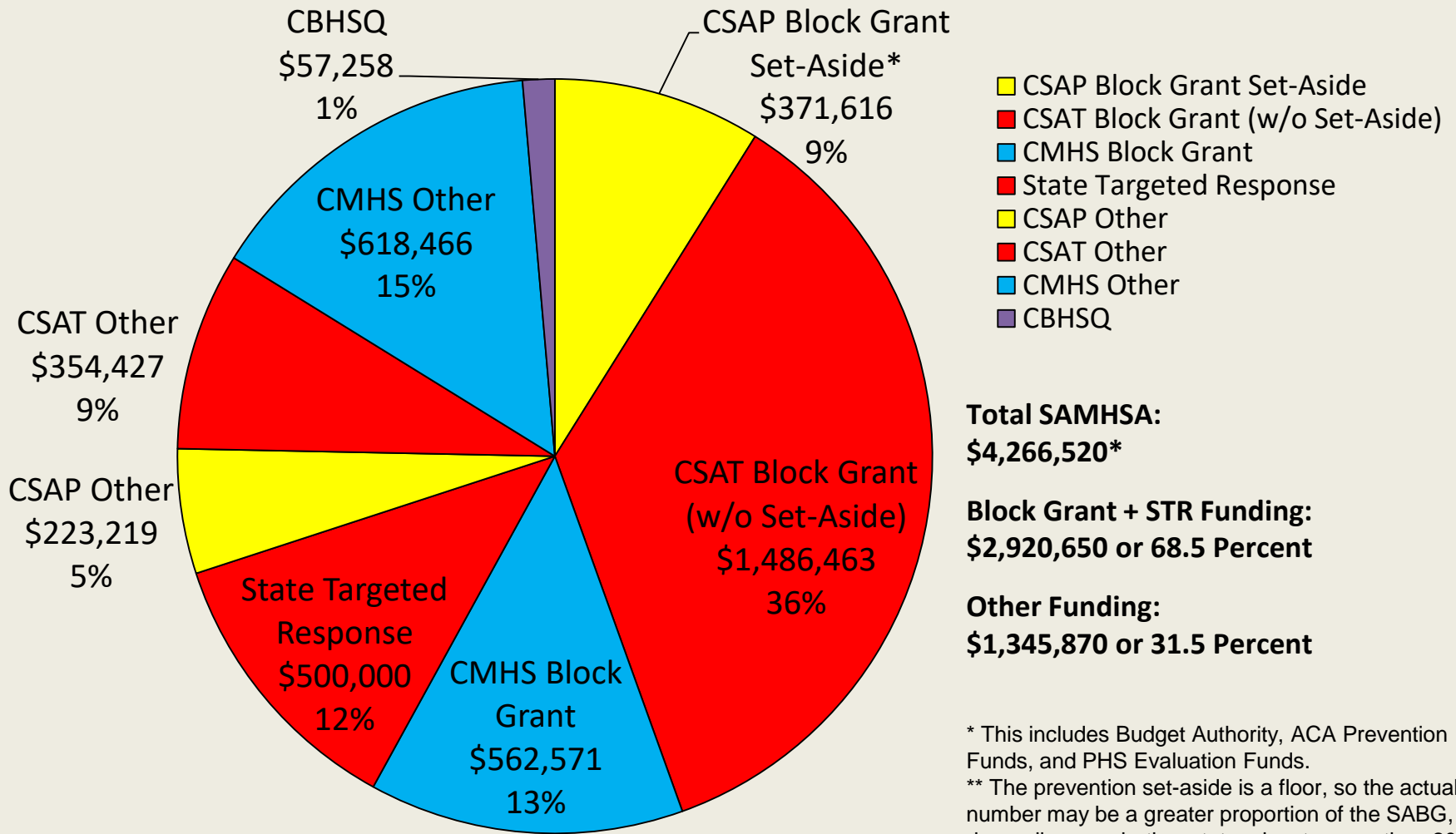


Office of the Chief Medical Officer

- *Uses latest clinical evidence to inform policy.*
- *Represents SAMHSA's clinical perspectives, particularly with other HHS and federal entities.*
- *Works with medical systems issues, including the coordination and integration of behavioral health services with primary care, medical, and public health systems.*

SAMHSA Budget (FY 2017 Enacted)

(Dollars in Thousands)



Total SAMHSA:
\$4,266,520*

Block Grant + STR Funding:
\$2,920,650 or 68.5 Percent

Other Funding:
\$1,345,870 or 31.5 Percent

* This includes Budget Authority, ACA Prevention Funds, and PHS Evaluation Funds.

** The prevention set-aside is a floor, so the actual number may be a greater proportion of the SABG, depending on whether states devote more than 20% to prevention activities.

http://www.samhsa.gov/budget

The screenshot shows the SAMHSA website's budget page. At the top, the SAMHSA logo is displayed with the tagline "Addressing Substance Use and Mental Health Services Administration". A search bar and social media links for Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, and RSS are visible. A navigation menu includes "Find Help & Treatment", "Topics", "Programs & Campaigns", "Grants", "Data", "About Us", and "Publications". The "Budget" page is highlighted in the navigation menu.

Budget

SAMHSA's budget supports programs that reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness in America's communities.

SAMHSA is a public agency within the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (HHS). SAMHSA was designed as the lead agency to reduce the impact of substance abuse and mental illness in America's communities.

The SAMHSA Congressional Justification provides the Senate and House Appropriations Committee with detailed justifications and estimates for programs and services that SAMHSA anticipates funding at the presidential budget request level.

FY 2018 Budget

SAMHSA Budget Documents:

- [SAMHSA FY 2018 Congressional Budget Justification \(PDF\) \(2.4 MB\)](#)

HHS Budget Information:

- [HHS FY 2018 Budget](#)
- [HHS FY 2018 Budget in Brief](#)

Related Information:

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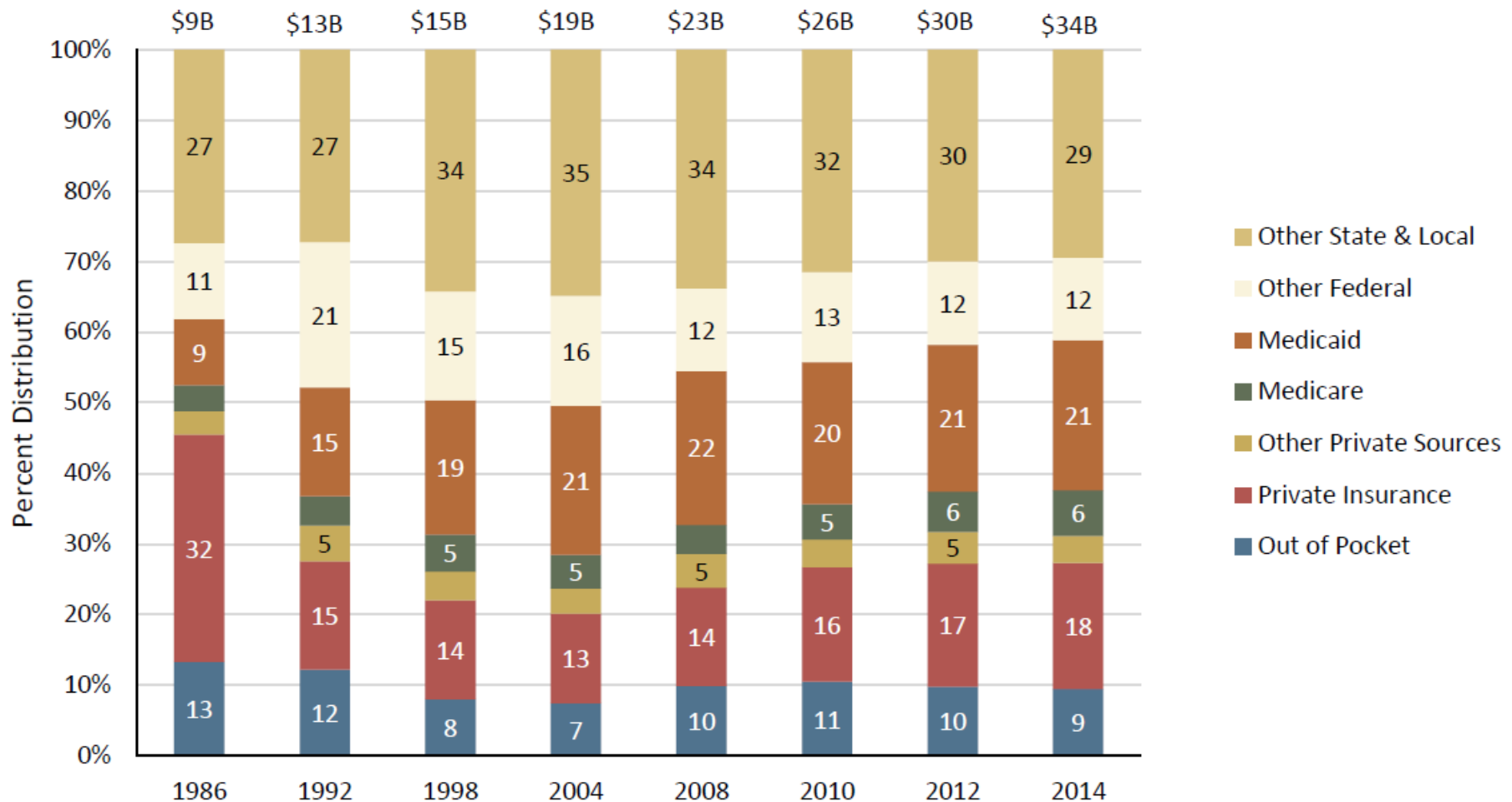
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SUD Treatment Spending Trends

Distribution of SUD Spending by Payment Source, 1986–2014



Virginia Funding 2015-16

- **Total: \$75.4M**
 - *Substance Use: \$53.7M*
 - *Mental Health: \$21.7M*

Va Funding 2015-16: CSAP

\$268,738	NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY
\$1,648,188	VIRGINIA DEPT BEHAV HLTH/DEVEL SERVICES
\$283,875	VIRGINIA COMMONWEALTH UNIVERSITY - Capacity Building Initiative
\$292,328	VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY
\$125,000	JAMES MADISON UNIVERSITY – Drug Free Communities (DFC)
\$125,000	ROCKBRIDGE AREA COMMUNITY SERVICES - DFC
\$125,000	PAGE ALLIANCE FOR COMMUNITY ACTION - DFC
\$125,000	CITY OF WAYNESBORO VIRGINIA - DFC
\$125,000	ALEXANDRIA COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD - DFC
\$2,459,505	COMMUNITY ANTI-DRUG COALITIONS OF AMERICA – Leadership
\$125,000	PIEDMONT REGIONAL COMMUNITY SERVICES – DFC
\$125,000	SATIRA, INC -- DFC
\$48,258	UNIFIED PREV COALITION FAIRFAX COUNTY -- Sober Truth on Preventing Underage Drinking

Va Funding 2015-16: CSAT

\$307,482	NORFOLK CIRCUIT COURT CLERK'S OFFICE – Adult Drug Courts
\$399,124	VA DEPT BEHAV HLTH/DEVEL SERVICES – Transition Age Youth
\$2,280,333	VA DEPT BEHAV HLTH/DEVEL SERVICES – Homeless: Road2Home
\$300,000	CITY OF RICHMOND – Adult Drug Courts
\$500,000	RICHMOND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AUTHORITY – HIV/HCV
\$800,000	NAADAC-ASSN FOR ADDICTION PROFESSIONALS -- Training
\$315,000	VIRGINIA POLYTECHNIC INST AND ST UNIV – SBIRT Training
\$275,356	CITY OF BRISTOL VIRGINIA – Adult Drug Courts
\$324,327	CUMBERLAND MTN COMMUNITY SERVICES – Adult Drug Courts
\$312,392	SHENANDOAH UNIVERSITY – SBIRT Training
\$299,002	GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY – SBIRT Training

Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality Surveys

- **The National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH)**
- **The Drug Abuse Warning Network (DAWN) + SAMHSA's Emergency Department Surveillance System (SEDSS)**
- **National Survey of Substance Abuse Treatment Services (N-SSATS)**
- **National Mental Health Services Survey (N-MHSS)**
- **Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS)**

Key Substance Use and Mental Health Indicators in the United States: Results from the 2016 National Survey on Drug Use and Health



[samhsa.gov/data](https://www.samhsa.gov/data)

MENTAL AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS IN AMERICA: 2016

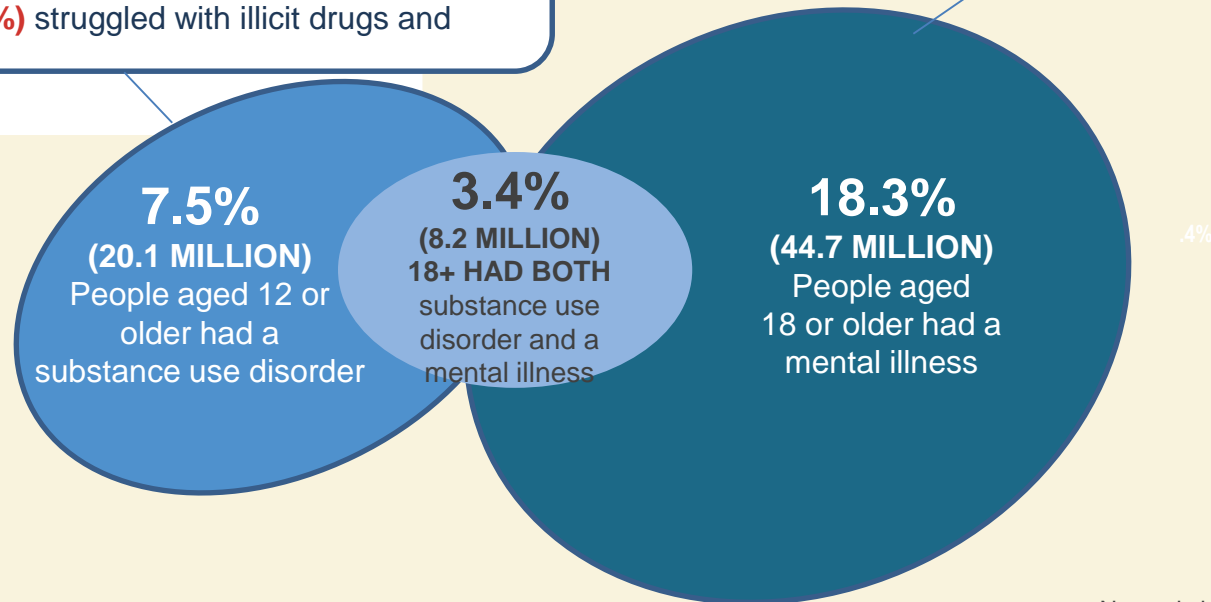
PAST YEAR, 2016, 12+

Among those with a substance use disorder about:

- **1 IN 3 (37%)** struggled with illicit drugs
- **3 IN 4 (75%)** struggled with alcohol use
- **1 IN 9 (12%)** struggled with illicit drugs and alcohol

Among those with a mental illness about:

- **1 IN 4 (23%)** had a serious mental illness

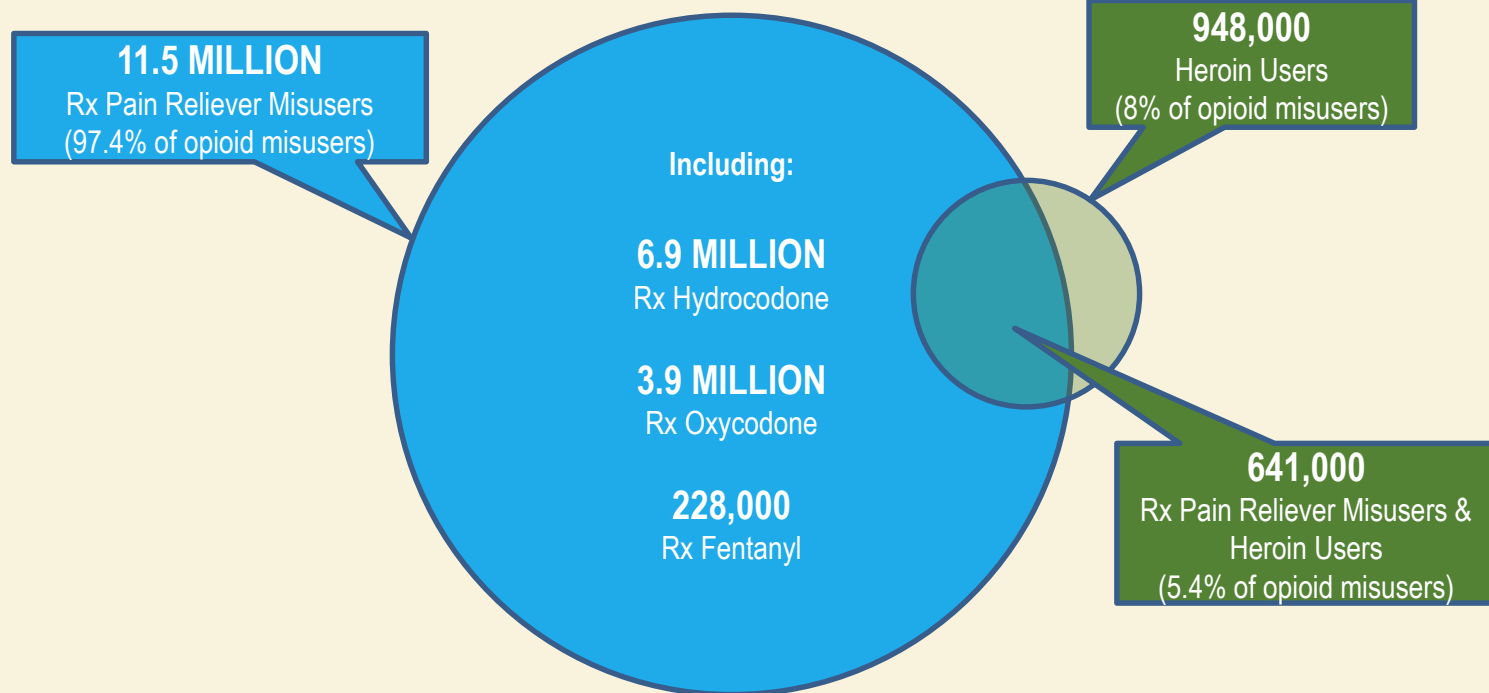


No statistically different changes from 2015

OPIOID'S GRIP: MILLIONS CONTINUE TO MISUSE RX PAIN RELIEVERS

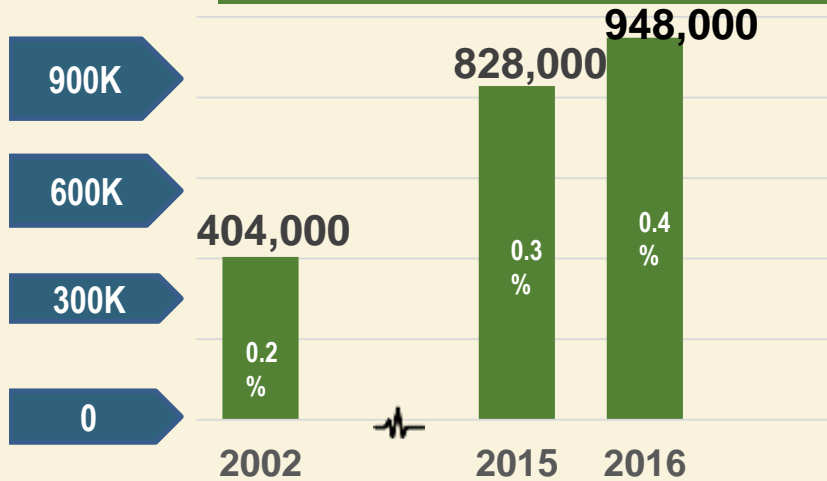
11.8 MILLION PEOPLE WITH OPIOID MISUSE (4.4% OF TOTAL POPULATION)

PAST YEAR, 2016,
12+



HEROIN DEATHS HAVE SKYROCKETED

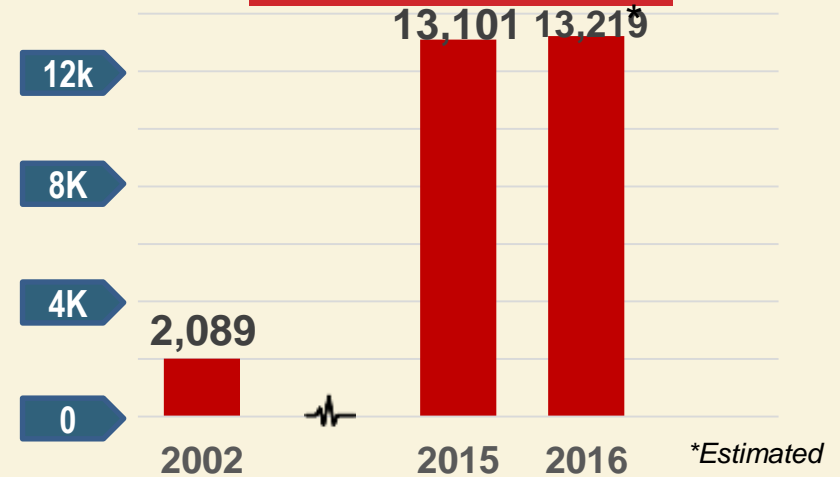
HEROIN PAST YEAR USE



**230% increase in heroin users
increase in heroin deaths**

Source: SAMHSA

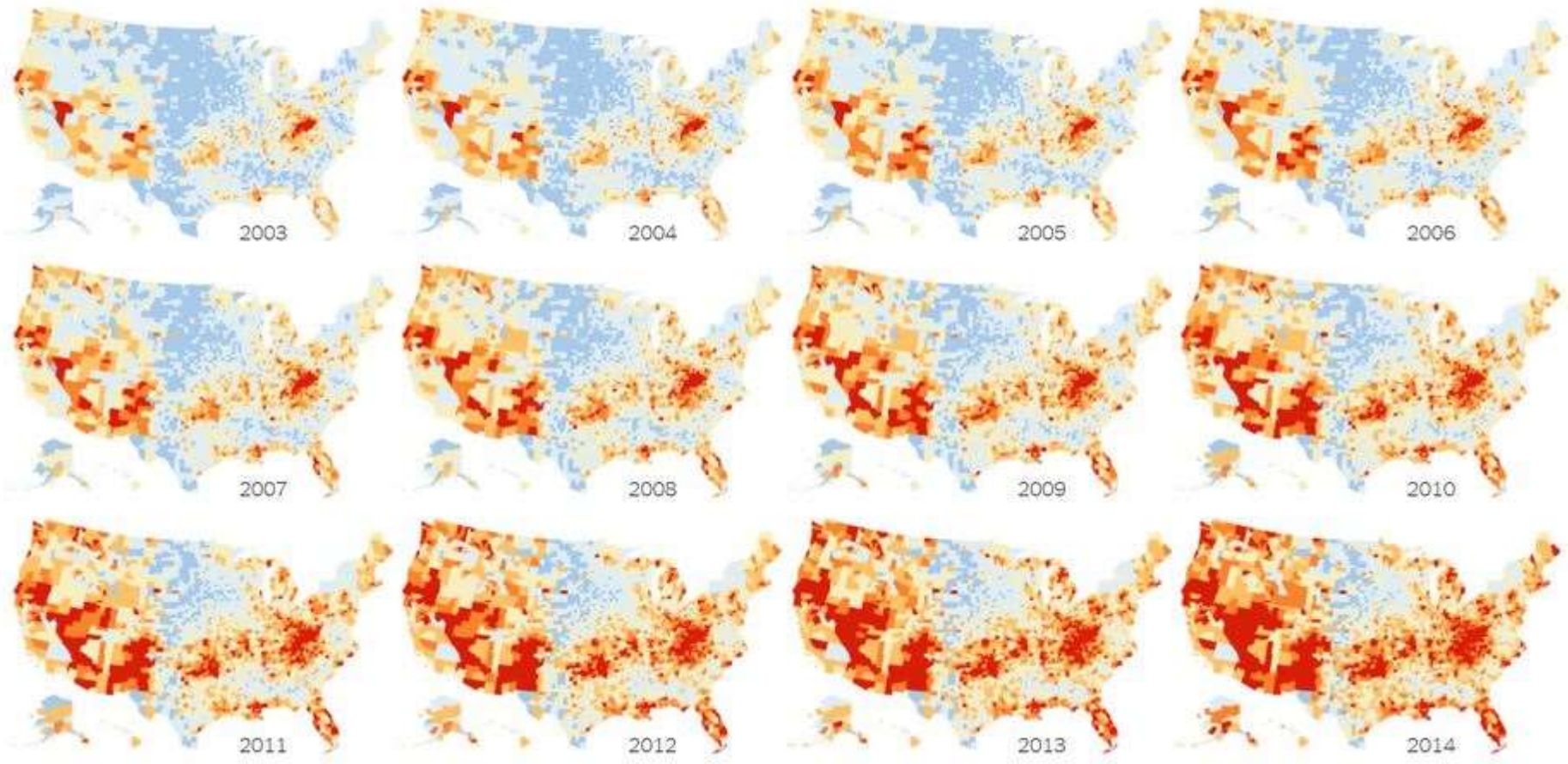
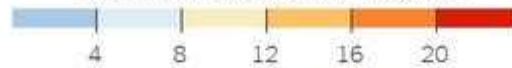
HEROIN DEATHS



630%

Source: CDC NVSS (NCHS)

Overdose deaths per 100,000

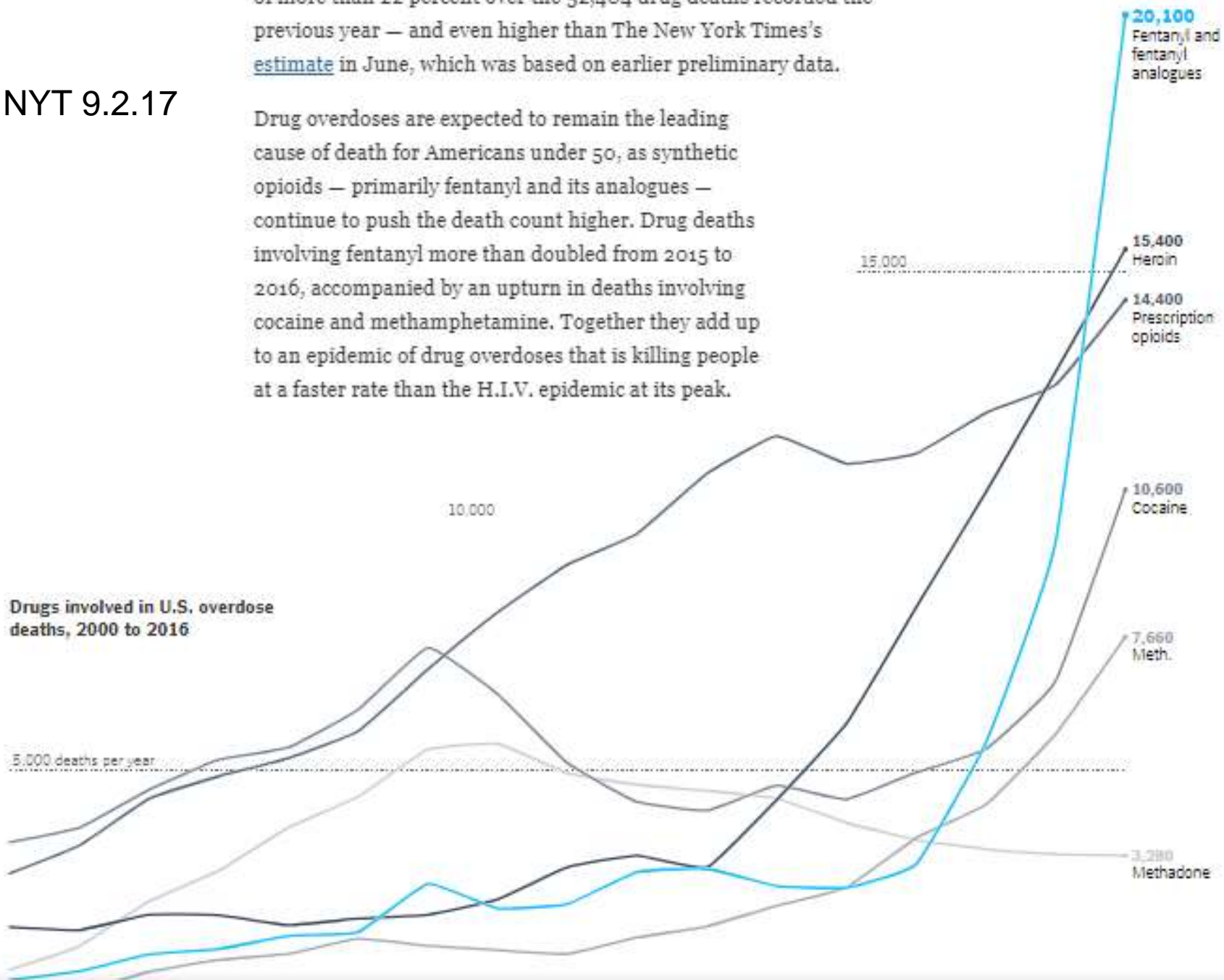


NYT 9.2.17

of more than 22 percent over the 52,404 drug deaths recorded the previous year — and even higher than The New York Times's estimate in June, which was based on earlier preliminary data.

Drug overdoses are expected to remain the leading cause of death for Americans under 50, as synthetic opioids — primarily fentanyl and its analogues — continue to push the death count higher. Drug deaths involving fentanyl more than doubled from 2015 to 2016, accompanied by an upturn in deaths involving cocaine and methamphetamine. Together they add up to an epidemic of drug overdoses that is killing people at a faster rate than the H.I.V. epidemic at its peak.

Drugs involved in U.S. overdose deaths, 2000 to 2016



Fentanyl and Counterfeit Products Broaden At-Risk Population

Counterfeit Norco Poisoning Outbreak — San Francisco Bay Area, California, March 25–April 5, 2016

Kathy T. Vo, MD^{1,2}; Xander M.R. van Wijk, PhD³; Kara L. Lynch, PhD³; Alan H.B. Wu, PhD³; Grant C. Searles, MD^{1,2}

HEALTH ALERT:

FENTANYL IS KILLING NEW YORKERS

Fentanyl is a dangerous opioid that's showing up in heroin, cocaine, street pills marked "Xanax" and other drugs. It's involved in more overdose deaths than ever before.

ANYONE USING DRUGS, EVEN CASUAL, IS AT RISK.

SAFETY TIPS:

- USE WITH SOMEONE ELSE:** If you overdose, it's important to have someone around to help.
- TAKE TRIPS SERIOUS:** Be prepared with naloxone and have a phone on hand in case you need to call 911.
- TEST YOUR DRUGS:** Use a small amount first to see how strong your drugs are.
- SAVEY NALOXONE:** Show others where it is and how to use it. More than one dose may be needed.
- AVOID MIXING DRUGS:** Mixing drugs — including alcohol — increases your risk of overdose.

AVOIDING DRUG USE IS THE BEST WAY TO PROTECT YOURSELF AGAINST FENTANYL.
Find out where to get naloxone:
call 911 or visit nyc.gov/health/naloxone.



Figure 3: Counterfeit 30 Milligram Oxycodone Pills Containing Fentanyl.



Fentanyl-Fentanyl Overdose Events Caused by Smoking Contaminated Crack Cocaine — British Columbia, Canada, July 15–18, 2016

Salman A. Klar, MPH¹; Elizabeth Brodtkin, MD¹; Erin Gibson¹; Shovita Padi, MD¹; Christine Predy²; Corey Green, MHSc¹; Victoria Lee, MD¹

Source: Jones CM, et al. *AJPH* 2017, Mar;107(3):430-432.

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On an average day in the U.S., according to the Department of Health and Human Services, health care professionals dispense more than

**650,000
OPIOID
PRESCRIPTIONS.**

NACo/NLC

opioidaction.org



EACH DAY:

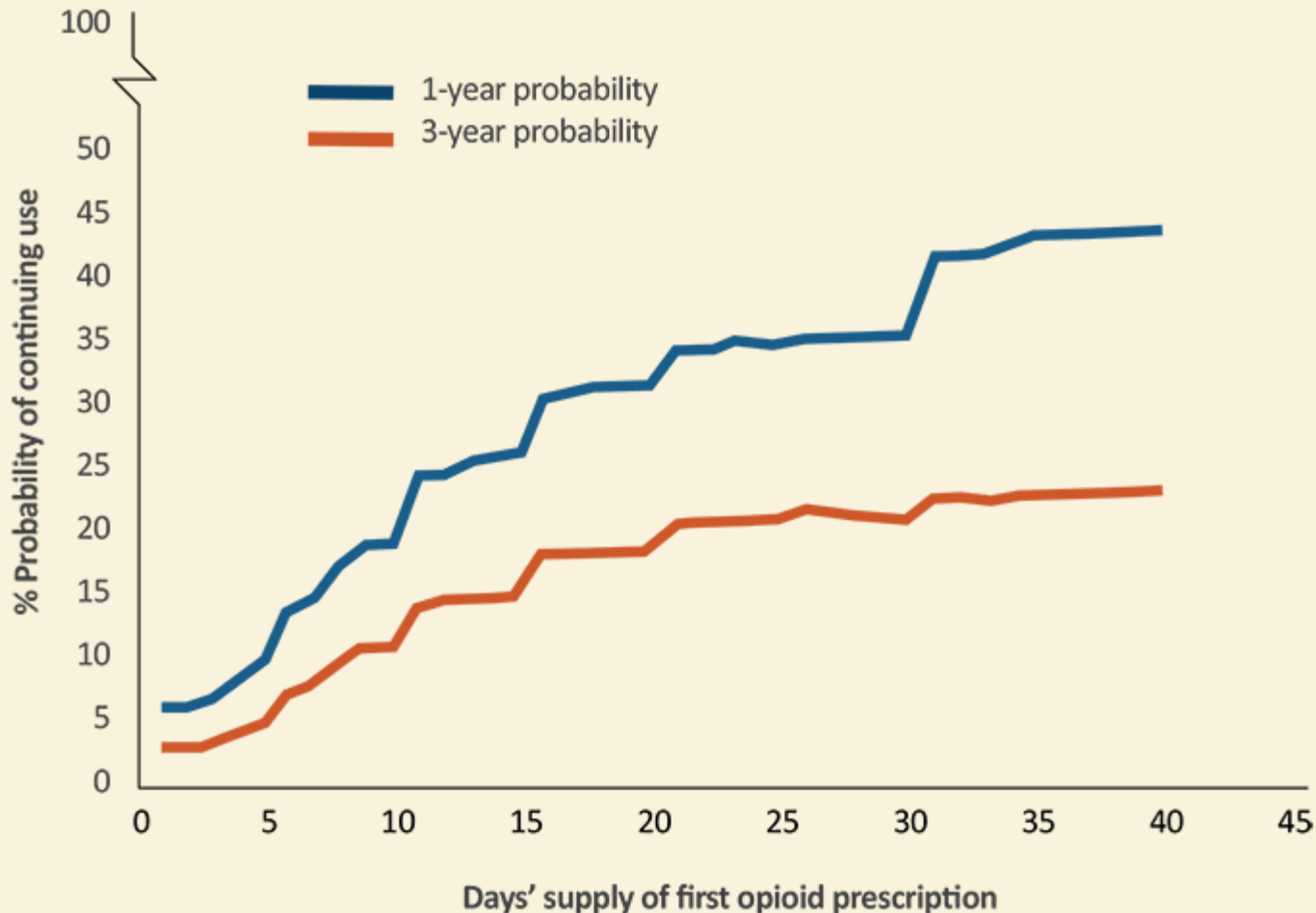
3,900 People initiate nonmedical use of prescription opioids for the first time.

580 People use heroin for the first time.

78 People die from an opioid-related overdose.

Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

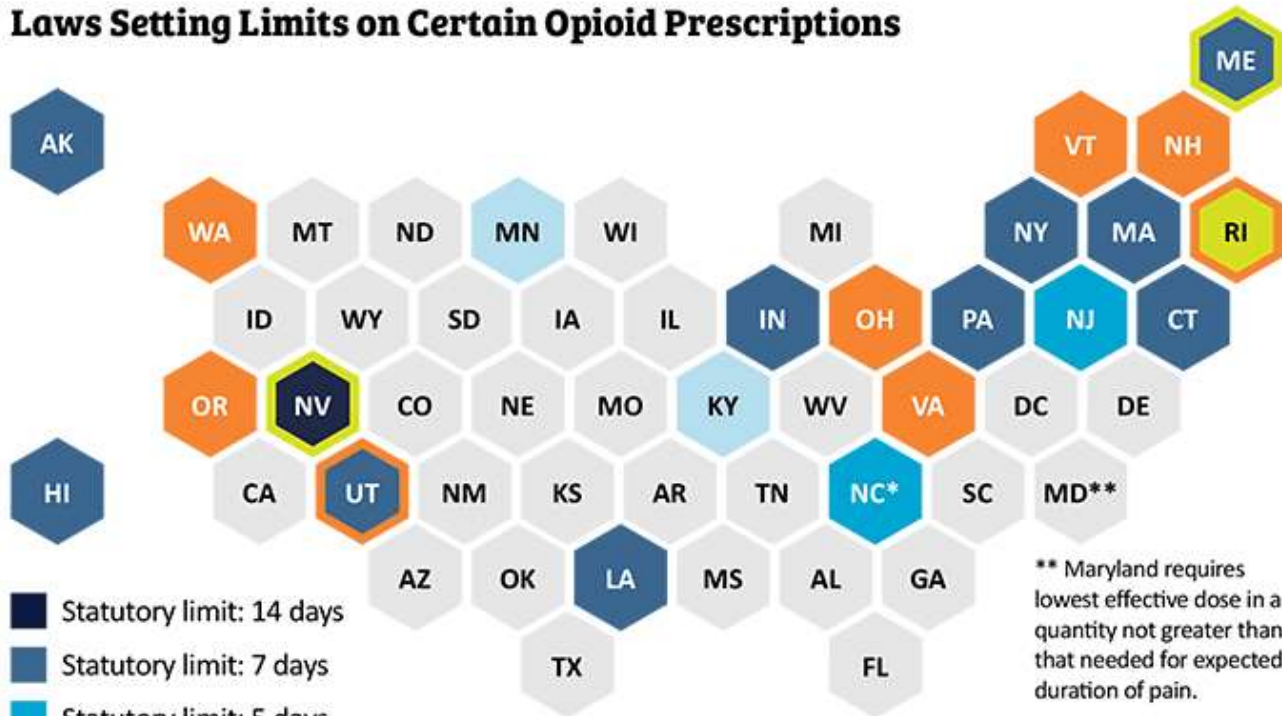
Prescription: Minimize Amount



Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, 2017

Prescription: Minimize Amount

Laws Setting Limits on Certain Opioid Prescriptions



** Maryland requires lowest effective dose in a quantity not greater than that needed for expected duration of pain.

* North Carolina's 5-day limit is for acute pain. The state also set a 7-day limit for post-operative relief.



Source: NCSL, StateNet

From NGA Report

KEY STATISTICS

Every day, **78 people** die from an overdose related to prescription opioids and heroin.

In 2012, health care providers wrote enough opioid prescriptions for every American adult to have a bottle of pills.

4 out of 5 heroin users reported misusing prescription opioids before moving to heroin.

Medicaid is the most common payer of opioid-related hospitalizations, the cost of which **quadrupled** between 2002 - 2012.

Heroin seizures by U.S. law enforcement rose **81%** between 2010 - 2014.

80% of people with an opioid use disorder are not receiving treatment.

From NGA Report

PREVENTING OPIOID MISUSE AND OVERDOSE

HEALTH CARE STRATEGIES FOR PREVENTION AND EARLY IDENTIFICATION

- Develop and update guidelines for all opioid prescribers.
- Limit new opioid prescriptions for acute pain, with exceptions for certain patients.
- Adopt a comprehensive opioid management program in Medicaid and other state-run health programs.
- Remove methadone for managing pain from Medicaid preferred drug lists.
- Expand access to non-opioid therapies for pain management.
- Enhance education and training for all opioid prescribers.
- Maximize the use and effectiveness of state prescription drug monitoring programs.
- Use public health and law enforcement data to monitor trends and strengthen prevention efforts.
- Enact legislation that increases oversight of pain management clinics to reduce “pill mills.”
- Raise public awareness about the dangers of prescription opioids and heroin.

From NGA Report

RESPONDING TO OPIOID MISUSE AND OVERDOSE

HEALTH CARE STRATEGIES FOR TREATMENT AND RECOVERY

- Change payment policies to expand access to evidence-based MAT and recovery services.
- Increase access to naloxone.
- Expand and strengthen the workforce and infrastructure for providing evidence-based MAT and recovery services.
- Create new linkages to evidence-based MAT and recovery services.
- Consider authorizing and providing support to syringe service programs.
- Reduce stigma by changing the public's understanding of substance use disorder.

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PUBLIC SAFETY STRATEGIES FOR RESPONSE


- Empower, educate, and equip law enforcement personnel to prevent overdose deaths and facilitate access to treatment.
- Reinforce use of best practices in drug treatment courts.
- Ensure access to MAT in correctional facilities and upon reentry.
- Strengthen pre-trial drug diversion programs to offer individuals the opportunity to enter into substance use treatment.
- Ensure compliance with Good Samaritan laws.

From NGA Report

Maximize the use and effectiveness of state PDMPs.

- Require providers to check the PDMP before prescribing Schedule II, III and IV controlled substances.
- Require pharmacists to report to the PDMP within 24 hours.
- Use PDMP data to provide proactive analyses and reporting to professional licensing boards and law enforcement.
- Make PDMPs easier to use by integrating PDMP data into electronic health records and health information systems and by allowing prescribers to establish delegate accounts.
- Ensure PDMP interoperability with other states.

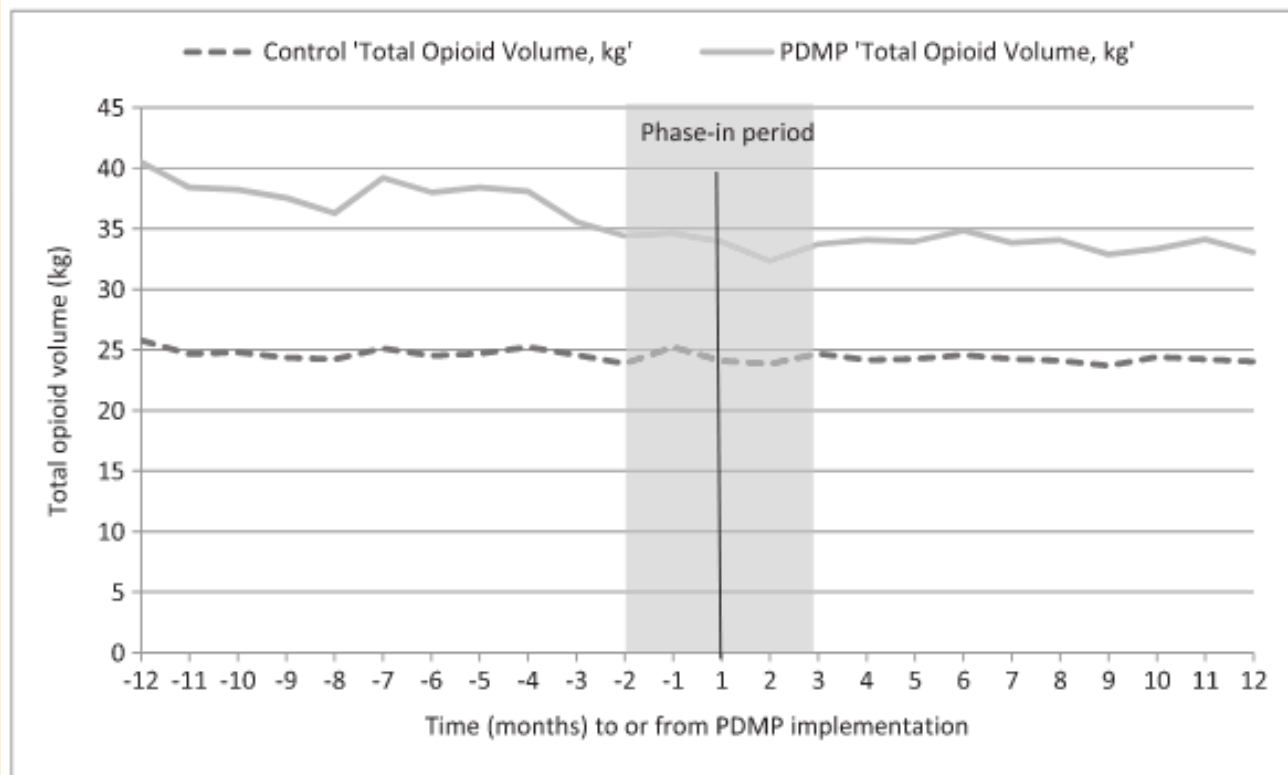
Impact of prescription drug monitoring programs (PDMPs) on opioid utilization among Medicare beneficiaries in 10 US States

Patience Moyo¹ , Linda Simoni-Wastila¹, Beth Ann Griffin², Eberechukwu Onukwugha¹, Donna Harrington³, G. Caleb Alexander^{4,5,6} & Francis Palumbo¹

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Total Opioid Volume:
11.1% vs 2.0% (sig)

Mean Daily MME:
9.4% vs 6.0% (ns)



Do more robust prescription drug monitoring programs reduce prescription opioid overdose?

Bryce Pardo

School of Public Policy, University of Maryland, College Park, MD, USA

Findings

PMP strength was associated negatively with OPR overdose deaths. Every 1-point increase in PMP strength was associated with a 1% [95% confidence interval (CI) = 0.2–2%] reduction in overdose deaths. When collapsed into quartiles, PMPs in the third quartile were associated with an approximately 18% (95% CI = 1.6–29%) reduction in OPR overdose death rates compared with states without a PMP. States with medical marijuana dispensaries reported a 16% (95% CI = 1–30%) reduction in OPR overdoses.

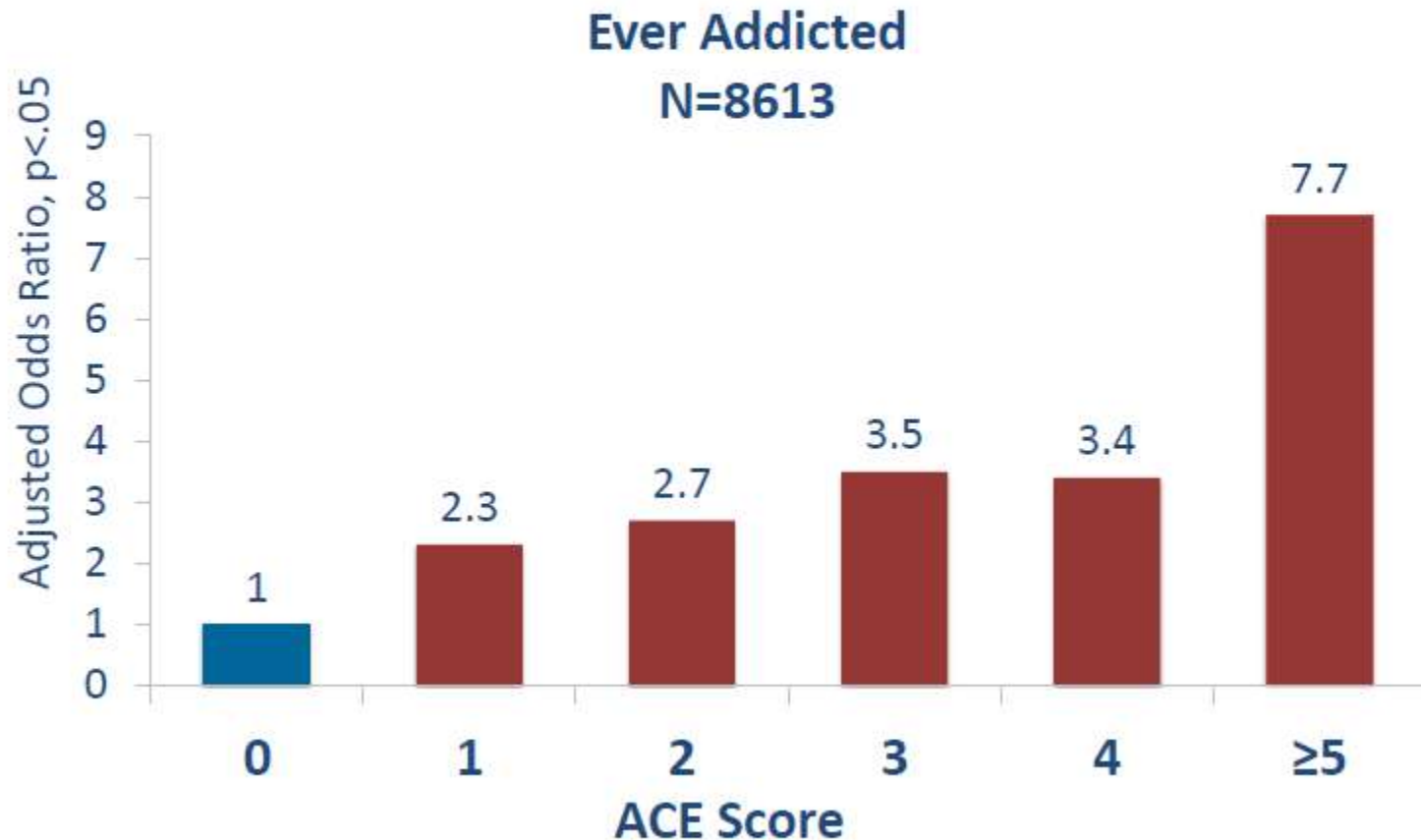
Conclusions

US states that have more robust prescription drug monitoring programs have fewer prescription opioid overdose deaths than states with weaker PMPs. States with medical marijuana dispensaries also report fewer opioid overdose deaths than states without these.

Resources

- “decisions in recovery opioid”
- nga.org > “opioid”
- ncsl.org > “opioid”
- naco.org > “opioid”
- opioidaction.org
- samhsa.gov
- addiction.surgeongeneral.gov
- “white house opioid task force”
- <https://lmcwebinars.adobeconnect.com/p8h1kdvrznrx/>
(Dr Wilson Compton’s must-see lecture)

Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACE) Associated with Increased Illicit Drug Use



5R Dube, et al. PEDIATRICS 111: 564-572, 2003

Slide credit: Dr Wilson Compton

Resources

A PRESCRIPTION FOR ACTION

Local Leadership in Ending the Opioid Crisis



A Joint Report From



National Governors Association

opioidaction.org

Finding Solutions to the Prescription Opioid and Heroin Crisis: A Road Map for States

nga.org

Promising actions for safer opioid prescribing.

Problem: High prescribing
Solution: Safer prescribing practices

Problem: Too many prescriptions
Solution: Fewer prescriptions

In 2015, the amount of opioids prescribed was enough for every American to be hospitalized once. The issue has 3 causes:

- Pain medicines like oxycodone, hydrocodone, and morphine
- Physical therapy and exercise
- Cognitive behavioral therapy

Use opioids only when benefits are likely to outweigh risks. Discuss when they aren't. Include:

Therapies that don't involve opioids may work better and have fewer risks and side effects.

Problem: Too many days
Solution: Fewer days

Even at low doses, taking an opioid for more than 3 weeks increases the risk of addiction by 10 times.

For acute pain, prescriptions should only be for the expected duration of pain severe enough to need opioids. Some clear or low to high strength/low dose seven-day is rarely needed.

It's important to discuss with patients benefits and risks before prescribing. If not, take extra precautions and report outside problems.

Problem: Too high a dose
Solution: Lower doses

A dose of 50 MME or more per day increases the risk of opioid use that leads, compared to 20 MME or less per day. At 80 MME or more, the risk increases 10 times.

Use the lowest effective dose of immediate-release opioids when starting, and reassess benefits and risks when considering dose increases.

Based on 2014 data of 50 MME or more of already taking high doses, offer the opportunity to gradually taper to safer doses.

For more recommendations when addressing opioids for chronic pain outside of end of life care, see the CDC Guidelines for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain. The Guidelines can be used to inform health systems, states, and insurers to create appropriate prescribing and recovery care for all patients. www.cdc.gov/drugopioideprescribing/guidelines.html

cdc.gov

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