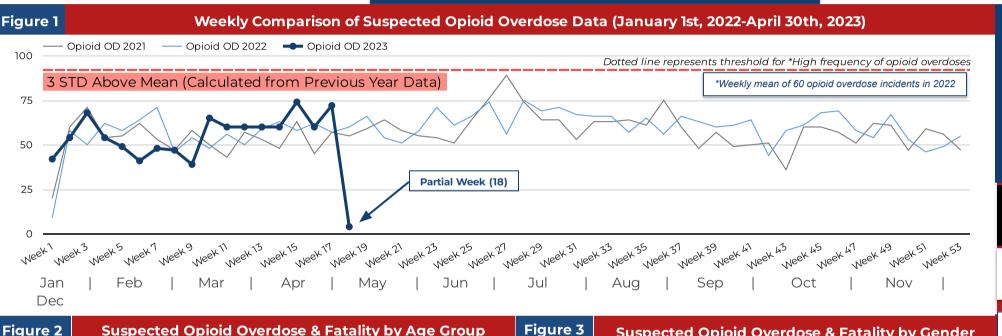


2023 Surveillance Report

(January 1st, 2023-April 30th, 2023)

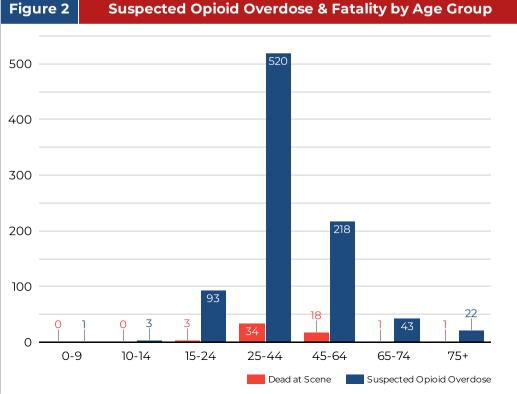


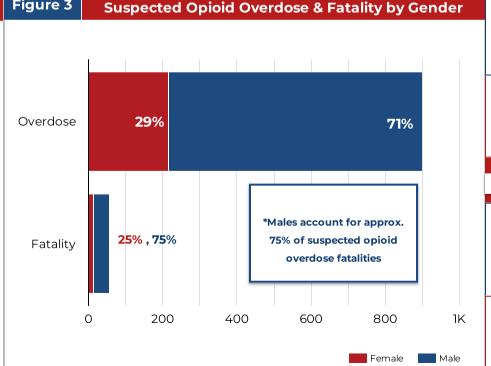


All overdose incidence rates are monitored using 9-1-1 patient records made available in near real-time data from FirstWatch®, a data platform capturing all patient care report data within the emergency medical service system.

Suspected Opioid Overdose Incident Totals

Comparison to Previous Year (Jan 1st 2022- Apr 30th, 2022)





Opiate Overdose 2023

957

‡ -2.8%

Overdose Fatality 2023 57

₽ -5.0%

Comparison to Previous Month

Opiate Overdose Apr 2023

281

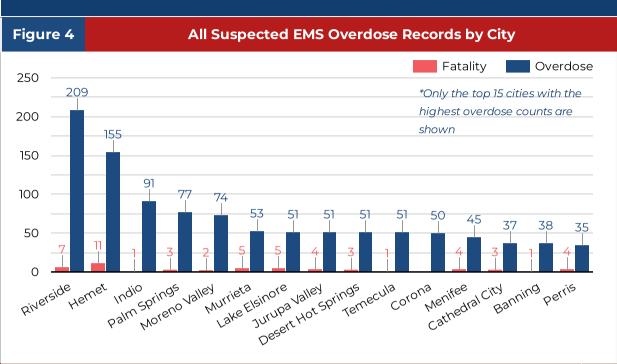
9.3%

Overdose Fatality 2023

16

6.7%

All Suspected Drug Overdose EMS Incidents (January 1st, 2023- April 30th, 2023)

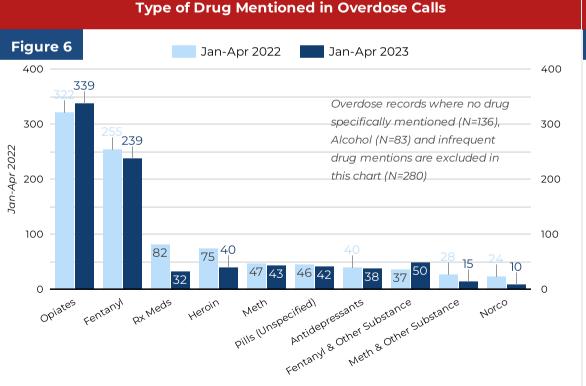


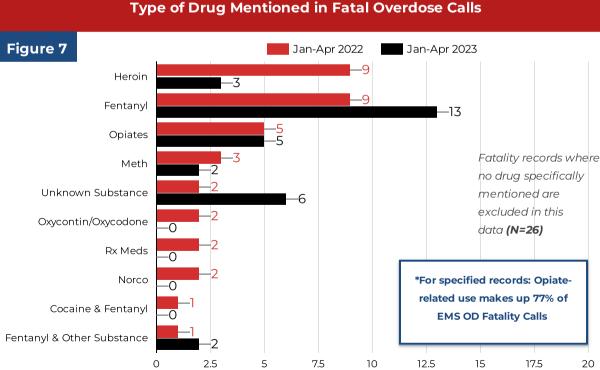












Overdoses in Patients Experiencing Homelessness and/or Mental Health Crisis

(January 1st, 2023- April 30th, 2023)

Overdose-Homelessness Records 275

n-Overdose Records

Mental Health-Over

Mental Health-Overdose Records

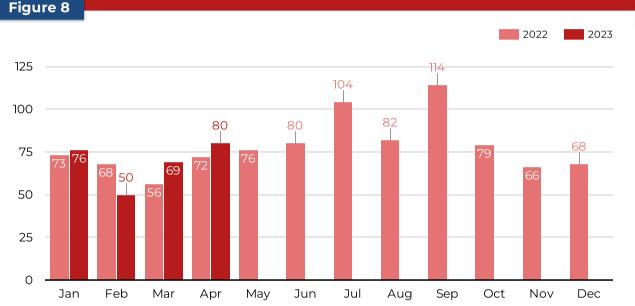
Mental Health-Overdose Fatality

Homelessness-Overdose Fatality

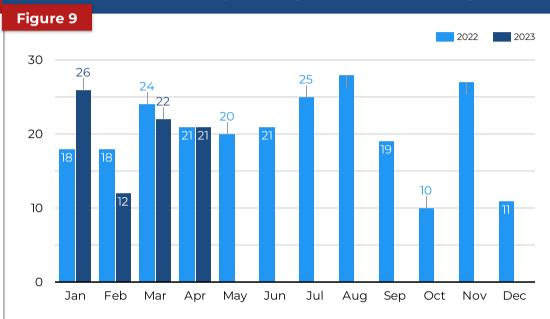
According to California Welfare and Institutional Code (WIC), a 5150 (mental health crisis) enables law enforcement and designated medical professionals to place individuals posing imminent risk to self or others on involuntary 72-hour hold. From 1/1/2023-4/30/2023, Riverside County Emergency Medical Services (EMS) providers responded to an average of 20 WIC-5150 emergency and non-emergency transport overdose calls each month so far in 2023.

Homelessness (unstable housing) is an important factor for resource allocation and understanding all factors that can lead to overdose in the EMS system. Homeless status is established and self-reported by patient to EMS provider and noted in electronic patient care records that display patient as homeless. There are two fields within the record "Patient Home Address"="Homeless" or a checkbox, "Is patient homeless" marked "Yes" to indicate homeless patient status. The data displays all overdose records that involve a patient with homeless status.

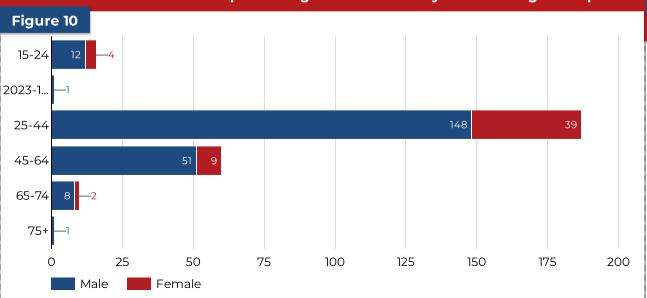
Overdoses in Patients Experiencing Homelessness by Month



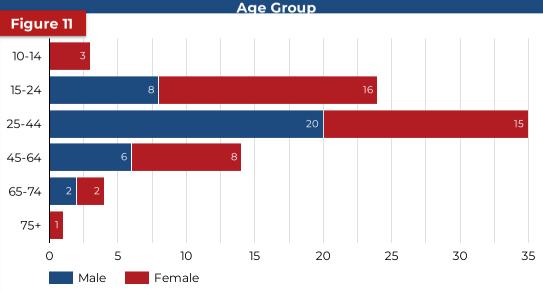
Overdoses in Patients Experiencing Mental Health Crisis by Month



Overdoses in Patients Experiencing Homelessness by Gender & Age Group



Overdoses in Patients Experiencing Mental Health Crisis by Gender &



Suspected Opiate Overdose Treatment Adherence (January 1st, 2023-April 30th, 2023)

In order to get an in depth look at opioid overdose data, it is important to understand the willingness of patients that are seen and treated by EMS providers to comply with provider recommendations. This provides context and highlights potential obstacles in overdose treatments.

The following data represents patients that go against medical advice (AMA), thereby refuse treatment, or transport to a designated healthcare facility for further treatment. Patients encountered that were determined to be deceased when EMS units arrived are denoted as DOA.

Treated & Transported 814

Treated & No Transport 62

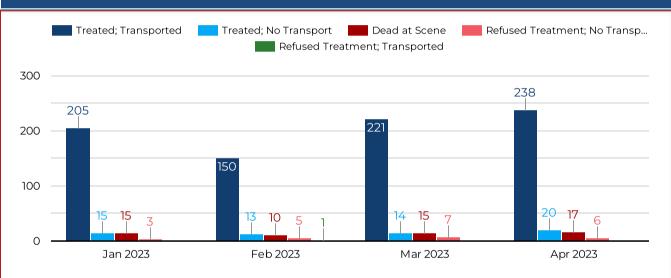
Refused Treatment & No Transport

Refused Treatment & Transported

DOA **57**

57

Figure 12A-B: Count & Proportion of Patients Treated/Transported/Refused for Suspected Opioid Overdose Incidents



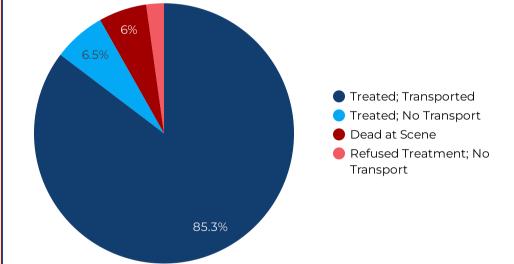


Figure 13: Patients Treated/Transported/Refused for Suspected Opioid Overdose Incidents by Age Group

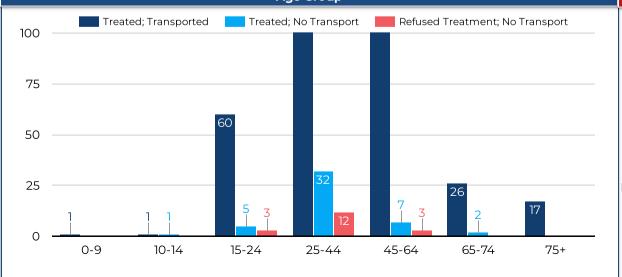
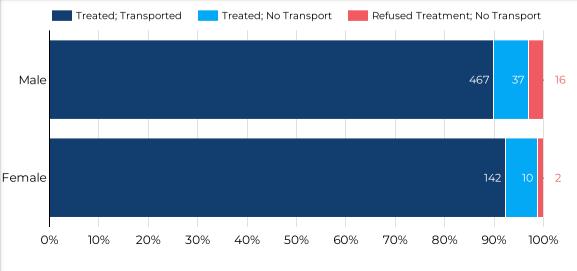


Figure 14: Patients Treated/Transported/Refused by Gender



Naloxone Administration in EMS Suspected Opioid Overdose Calls (Jan-Apr 2023)

Narcan Administered by EMS

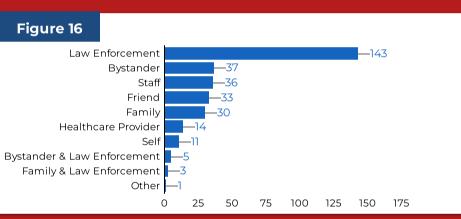
No Narcan Administered

34

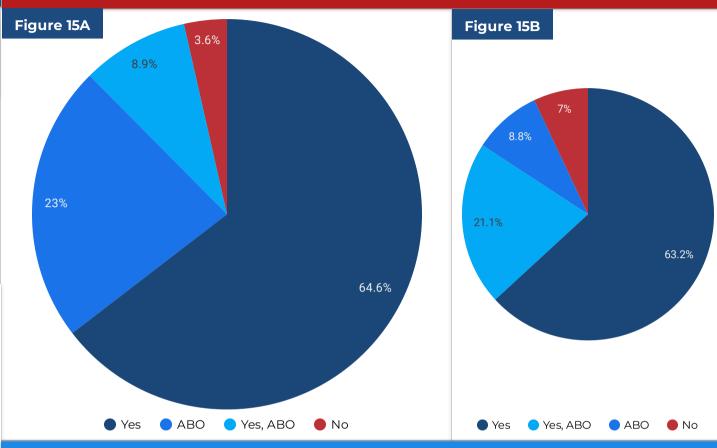
Administered by Other 304

Naloxone, aka Narcan, is the name of a generic drug that temporarily reverses the effects of an opioid overdose. First responders in our community have been trained to use narcan when they encounter an overdose while responding to an emergency incident. Understanding its efficacy in suspected EMS overdose incidents can help guide response activities and inform health care providers offering treatment services.

Naloxone Administration Prior to EMS Arrival



Naloxone Administration in All Suspected Opioid Overdose Calls (15A) & Overdose Fatality Calls (15B)



*ABO (administered by other) refers to naloxone administered by someone other than EMS prior to EMS arrival

*Yes, ABO refers to naloxone administered by EMS as well as prior to arrival

Patient Response to Naloxone Administration

Figure 17 Unchanged Improved 300 38 235 229 224 200 100 Jun 2022 Oct 2022 Aug 2022 Dec 2022 Feb 2023 Apr 2023 Apr 2022 Jan 2023 May 2022 Jul 2022 Sep 2022 Nov 2022 Mar 2023

% Patient Response to Naloxone Administration

Figure 18

