

Opioid Operational Command Center

Briefing Memo

To: OOCC State and Local Partners

Through: OOCC Planning Section

From: Clay Stamp

Re: Opioid Operational Command Center (OOCC)

Date: August 24, 2017

Completed Action Items (August 10, 2017 - August 23, 2017):

- 8/11/2017-8/23/2017 - Completed initial review of 23 Opioid Intervention Team Grant submissions (preliminary overview of project categories attached) [Partner: MDH-BHA, DBM, MEMA, GOCCP, MSP/HIDTA, MSDE]
- On 8/10/2017 - Conducted first meeting of Behavioral and Substance Abuse Programs and Services workgroup, developed in compliance with House Bill 1082, to review programs that provide behavioral and substance abuse disorder services in public schools; moving forward with incorporating revisions to the instrument that will be used to collect data on existing substance abuse programs in schools [Partner: MSDE]
- On 8/11/2017 - Received final submissions for Request for Expression of Interest for the Maryland Opioid Rapid Response (MORR) program directed at local behavioral health authorities, local addiction authorities, and core service agencies; two-year funding goals include co-locating crisis services within ASAM level 3.7 residential treatment facilities and implementing a bed tracking system [Partner: MDH-BHA]
- On 8/12/2017 - Completed weekly analysis of naloxone administration trends by EMS providers statewide to include in the broad distribution via the Office of Preparedness Public Health Situational Awareness Report [Partners: MDH, MIEMSS]
- On 8/16/2017 - Hosted a webinar to discuss OOCC Education Branch initiatives led by MSDE and MHEC including school system best practices and higher education naloxone and drug intervention policies; the second in a series of bi-weekly webinars (103 State and local partners in attendance) [Partners: MSDE, MHEC]

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- On 8/17/2017 and 8/22/2017 - OOCC conducted two internal future planning workshops to sharpen the vision for its future as a program and produce well-reasoned recommendations regarding the OOCC's core functions, processes, staff makeup, and core deliverables
- On 8/18/2017 - OOCC Executive Director presented on a panel with representatives from Anne Arundel County and Baltimore City at the Maryland Association of Counties (MACo) annual conference in Ocean City on Attacking the Opioid Crisis
- On 8/19/2017 - OOCC provided attendees at the annual MACo conference an overview of statewide efforts in addressing the Opioid crisis with counties
- On 8/22/2017 - Shared Statewide OIT Situation Report Overview with Local Emergency Managers and Health Officers (attached)

Planned Actions Items (August 24, 2017 - September 6, 2017):

- On 8/24/2017 - Attend Howard County Opioid Forum
- On 8/25/2017 - Convene second meeting of the Behavioral and Substance Abuse Programs and Services workgroup in order to develop proposals to expand programs that provide behavioral and substance abuse disorder services in the public schools in the State and on or before December 1, 2017, report its findings and recommendations to the General Assembly [Partners: MSDE]
- On 8/26/2017 - Accompany the Lt Governor to the Maryland Municipal League Board of Directors Retreat and speak about the Governor's Opioid and Heroin Commission and the State's work to address the crisis and the distribution of grant monies; roundtable sessions will follow to help municipal officials identify resources locally
- On 8/30/2017 -
 - OOCC Workshop with Local Jurisdiction and State PIOs
 - OOCC Webinar on Crisis Hotline Updates
- On 9/1/2017 - Complete final revisions to the Opioid Surveillance System project work plan to address current needs across the State for resubmission to the CDC

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- Obtain leadership signature on finalized Naloxone FAQ document for sendoff to schools prior to the upcoming academic year [Partners: MSDE, MDH]
- Completion of charts relating to eMeds Naloxone Administration and Improved Response
- Ongoing: Conduct weekly OIT Grant review sessions to approve jurisdiction budgets and project narratives [Partners: MDH, DBM]
- Ongoing: Collect summaries of Promising Practices occurring within local jurisdiction OIT's and disseminate/share statewide
- Ongoing: Compile survey results from the Maryland Hospital Association on ED overdose discharge protocols in regard to substance use disorder screening, naloxone dispensing, peer support, and direct referral to treatment
- Ongoing: Collect data from VSA and produce comparison report of 2016 and YTD 2017 Opioid-related overdose deaths.

OOCC Coordinated Meetings

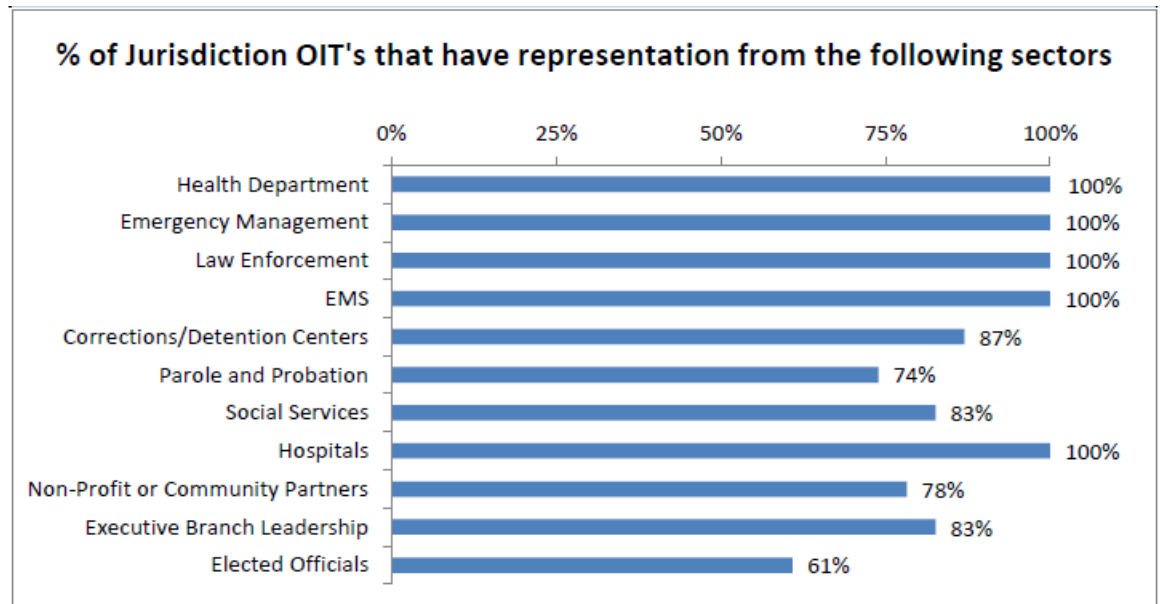
The OOCC continues the mobilization phase to engage partners at the state and local level working on heroin and opioid-related initiatives, including but not limited to the following meetings:

- On 8/10/2017 - Met with WBAL to discuss OOCC mission and opportunities to work together
- On 8/11/2017 - OOCC Director presented at the Worcester County Board of Education 5th Annual School Safety Conference
- On 8/14/2017 - Meeting with MDH-BHA Leadership regarding Crisis Stabilization Center
- On 8/15/2017 - OOCC Director presented to a group of statewide school administrators, law enforcement and school security staff at the Maryland School Safety Center's Summer Conference
- On 8/21/2017 - OOCC Director presented at the Regional Opioid Task Force in Easton, MD
- On 8/21/2017 - Interagency Council via conference call [6 individuals] to provide progress updates and discuss benchmarks and targets [Partners in attendance: OOCC, MDH - OAG, DJS, DoIT,

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- On 8/23/2017 - Local Health Officer Conference Call

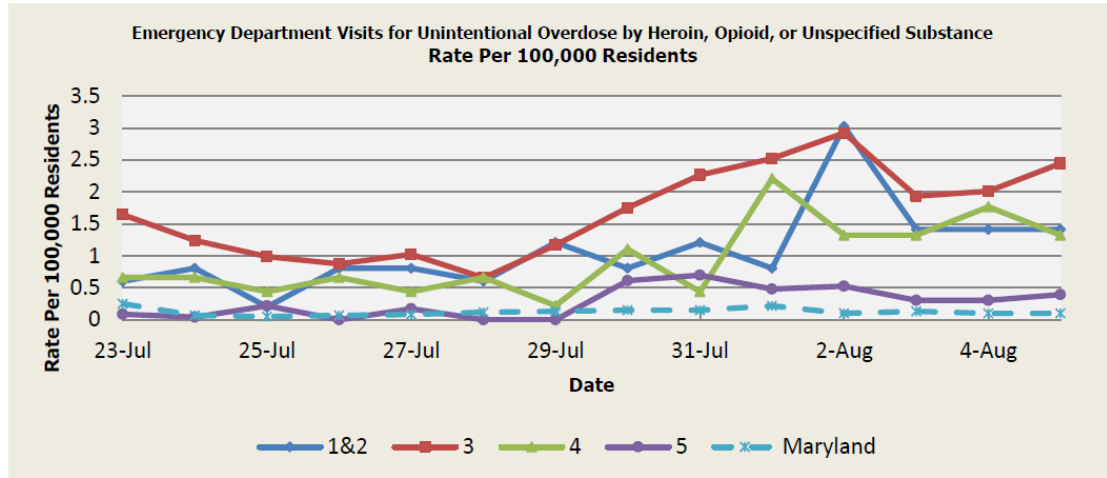


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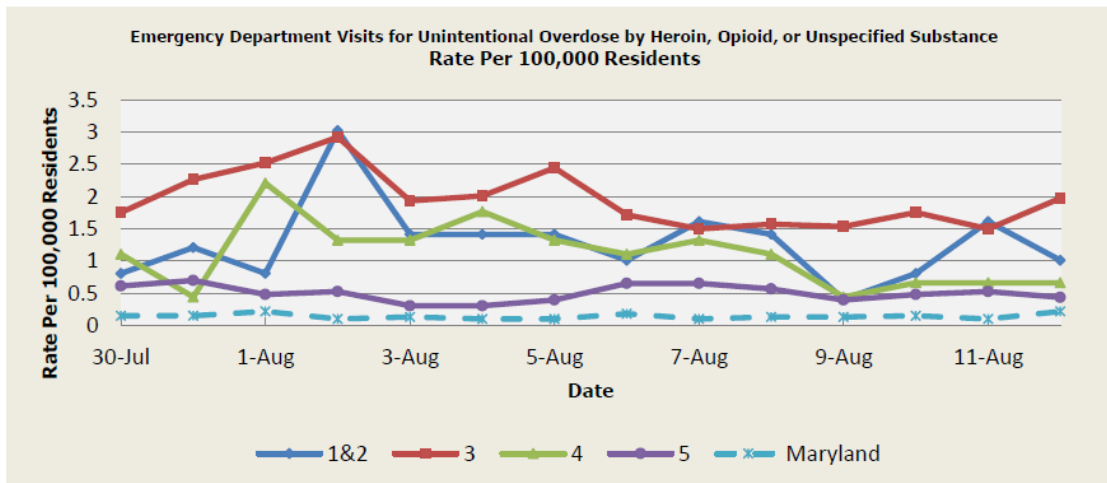
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SYNDROMIC OVERDOSE SURVEILLANCE

The purpose of this section is to characterize non-fatal ED visit trends for acute unintentional overdose by Heroin, Opioid or Unspecified substance among Maryland residents captured by ESSENCE data, including chief complaint and discharge diagnosis. ED visits that are identified as unintentional overdose by Heroin, Opioid or Unspecified substance include those with medical and non-medical use of a prescription Opioid or where the substance is not specified, given evidence that the majority of fatal overdoses are Opioid-related.



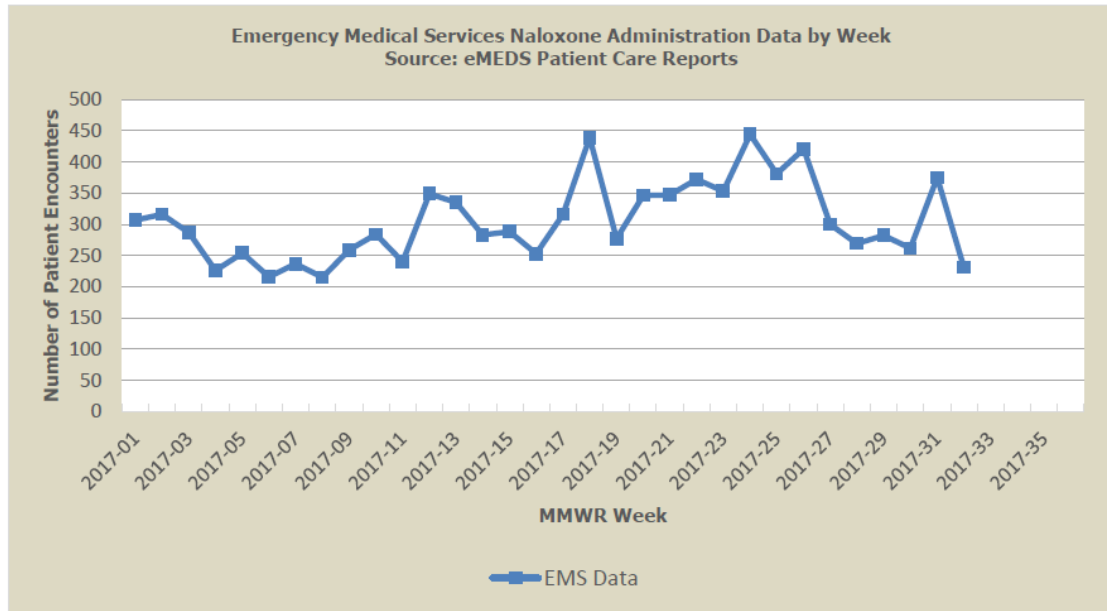
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Disclaimer on eMEDS naloxone administration related data: These data are based on EMS Pre-hospital care reports where the EMS provider has documented that they administered naloxone. The administration of naloxone is based on the patient's signs and symptoms and not on any diagnostic tests. These data are reported for trending purposes only.