

Use of Naloxone to Reduce the Number of Opioid Overdose Deaths Among Clackamas County Inmates Post-Release

A partnership project between:

Clackamas County Public Health
Clackamas County Behavioral Health and
Clackamas County Community Corrections



Overdose Prevention in Clackamas County

- Clackamas County Public Health's response like many others has included the implementation of Naloxone into community-based programs including law enforcement agencies.
- Community naloxone distribution programs are capable of reaching sizeable populations of high-risk individuals and facilitating large numbers of overdose reversals.
- Research has shown that individuals with substance use histories that experience a period of incarceration are at increased risk of overdose upon re-entering the community.
- With support from Community Corrections, the Naloxone Distribution Project launched through the Clackamas County Transition Center, a resource hub providing crucial services to people leaving jail and to those at risk of returning.

Goals of the project:

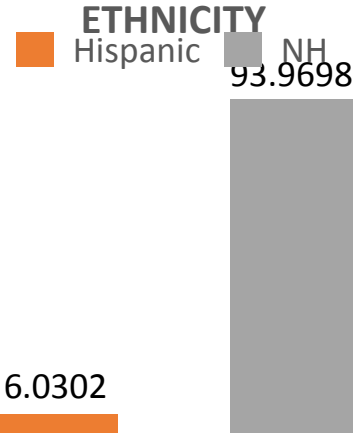
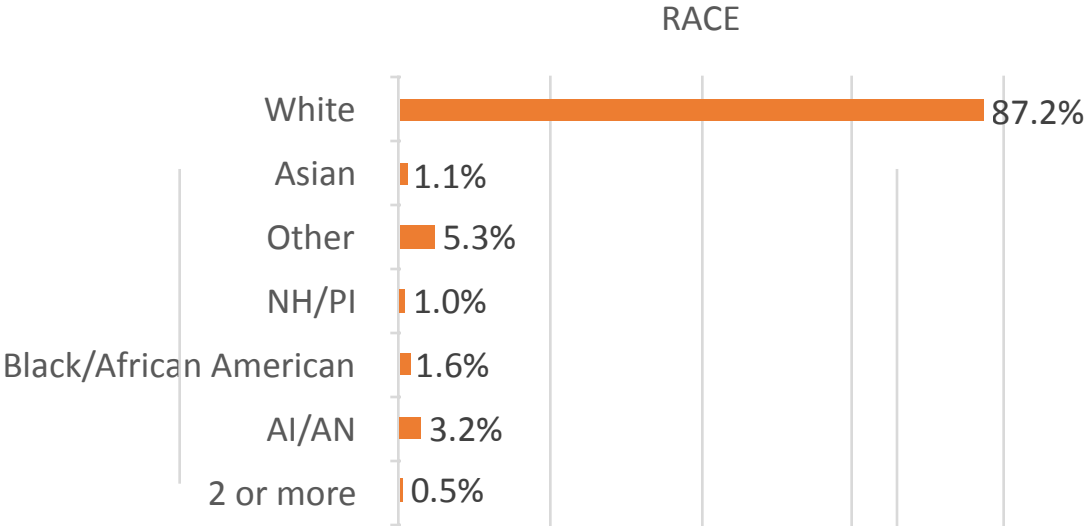
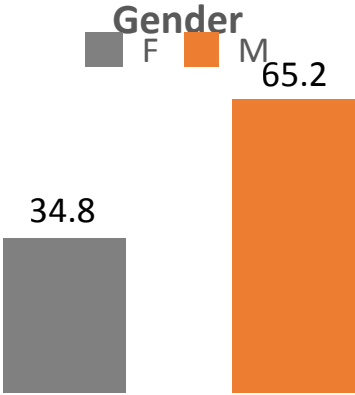
- Increase and improve the infrastructure of naloxone access and rescue by expanding naloxone to at-risk populations and those likely to encounter an OD situation.
- Offer clients who are re-entering the community a naloxone kit and educate them about the high risk of opioid-related overdose.
- Decrease overdose and overdose-related mortality among those with substance use histories and those recently released from jail.



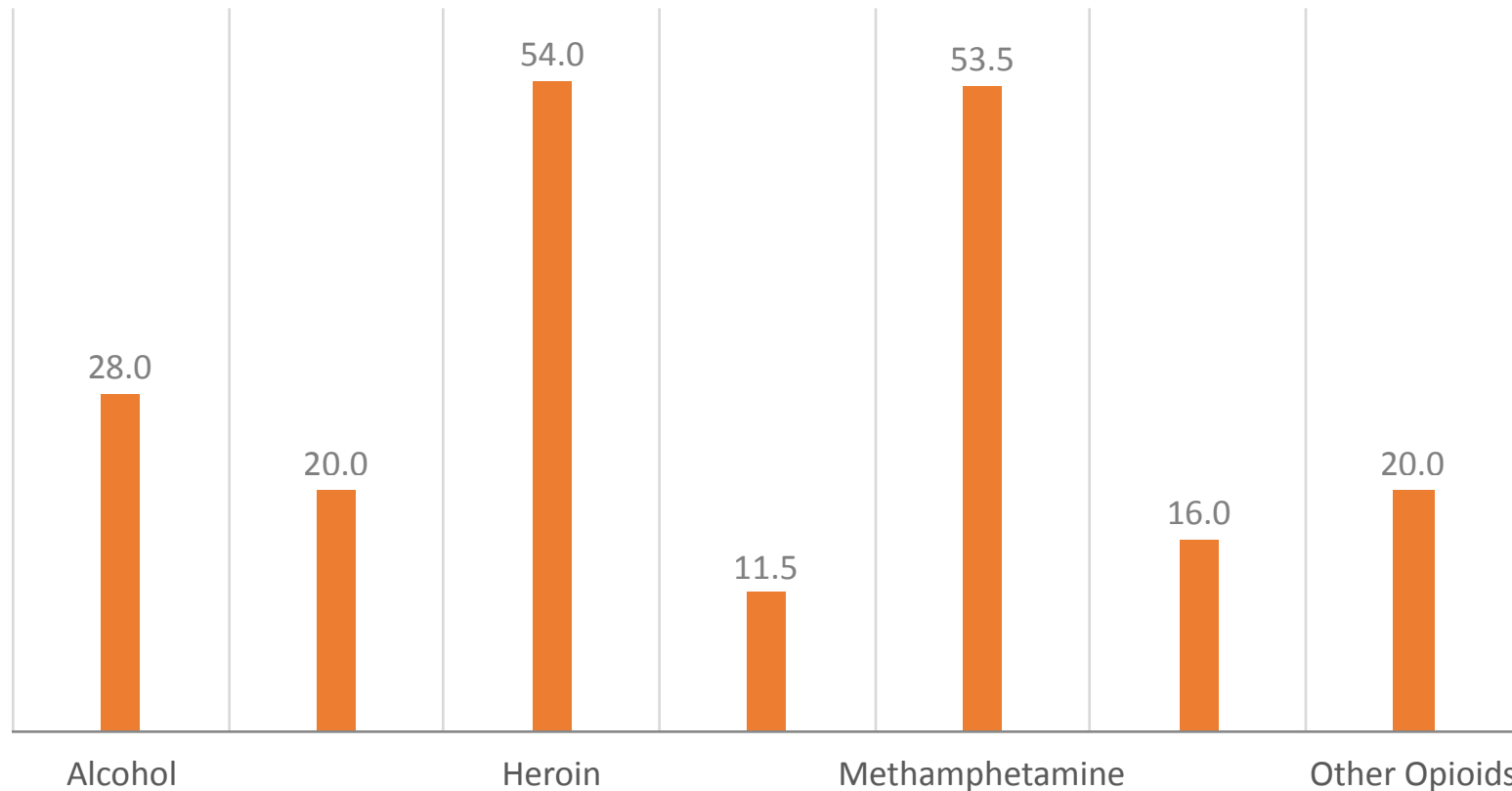
Transition Center Naloxone Pilot Project

FINDINGS: JANUARY-FEBRUARY 2018

Demographics (n=232)



In the last 30 days before incarceration have you used (%)...



Overdoses

have you ever overdosed (%)?


46.5

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Mean: 1
Minimum: 1
Maximum: 11

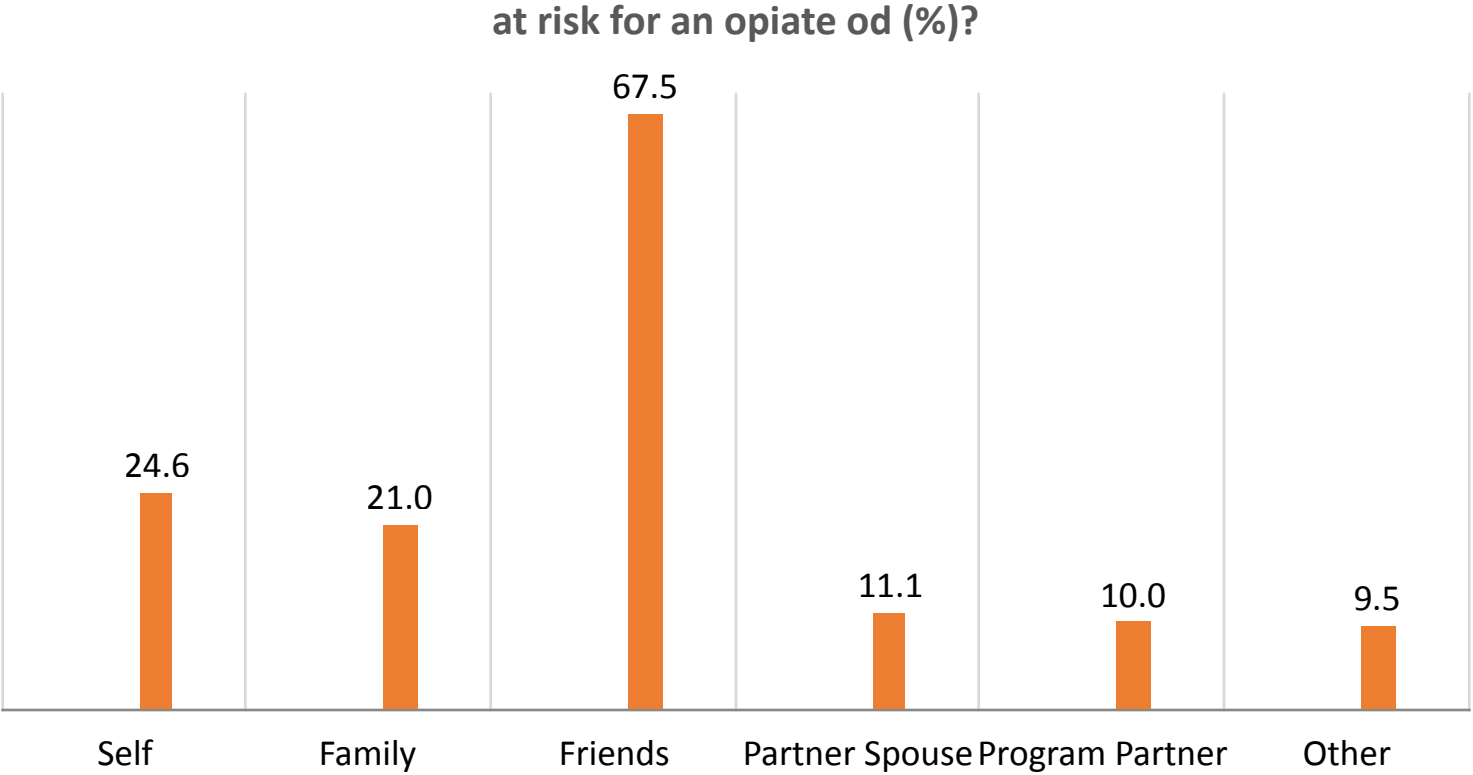
have you ever witnessed an overdose (%)?

74.5

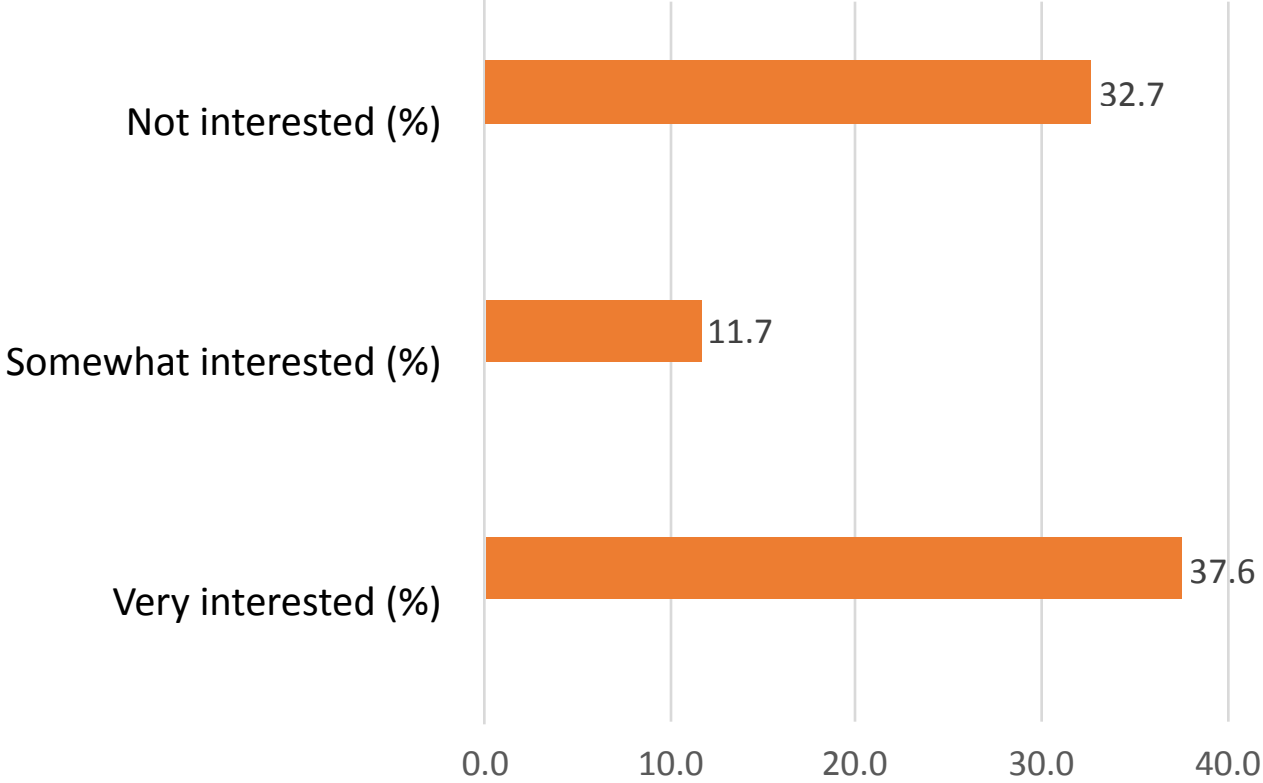
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Mean: 2
Minimum: 1
Maximum: 100

Perception of Risk for an Opiate Overdose



Interest in Help



Naloxone Project Phase 2- Link to Treatment

- Unique opportunity to connect those at-risk and wanting help to treatment and recovery supports
- Clients who identify as being interested in treatment are contacted by a Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Coordinator who provides care coordination through follow-up, assessing level of care needed, and referring the client into appropriate treatment.
- This connection has increased the number of clients who transition into detox, outpatient, and residential services following release from jail.