



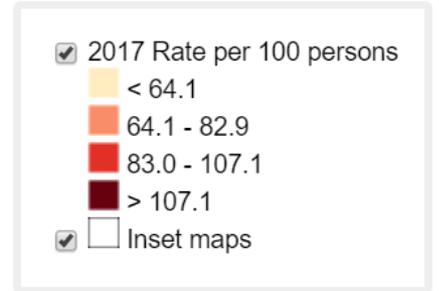
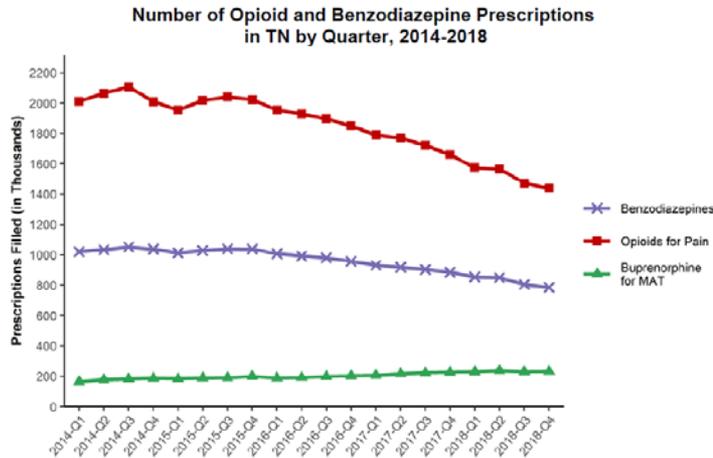
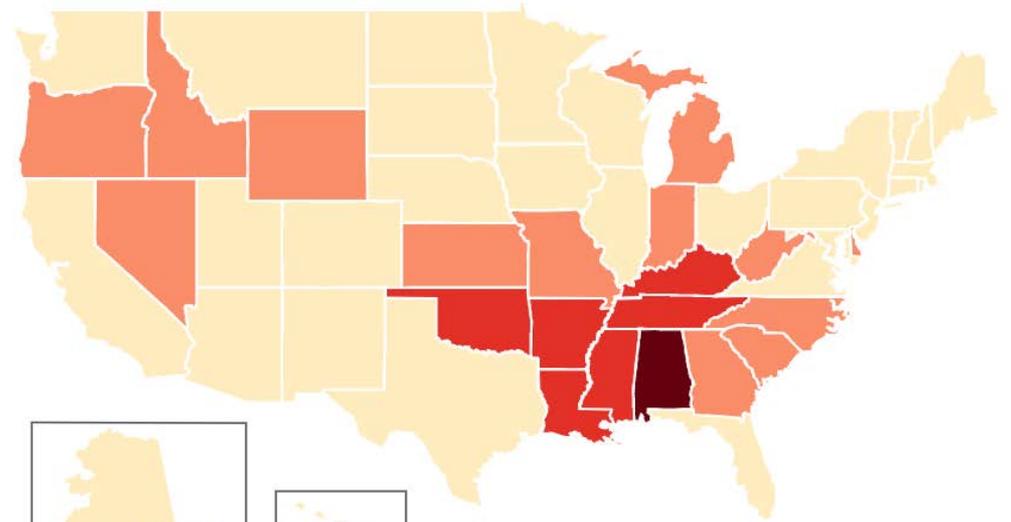
**Opioid Response Coordination  
Safety-Net & Rural Health Partners All  
Grantees Meeting**

**September 10, 2019**

# Tennessee – Opioid Prescribing

- Tennessee consistently prescribing

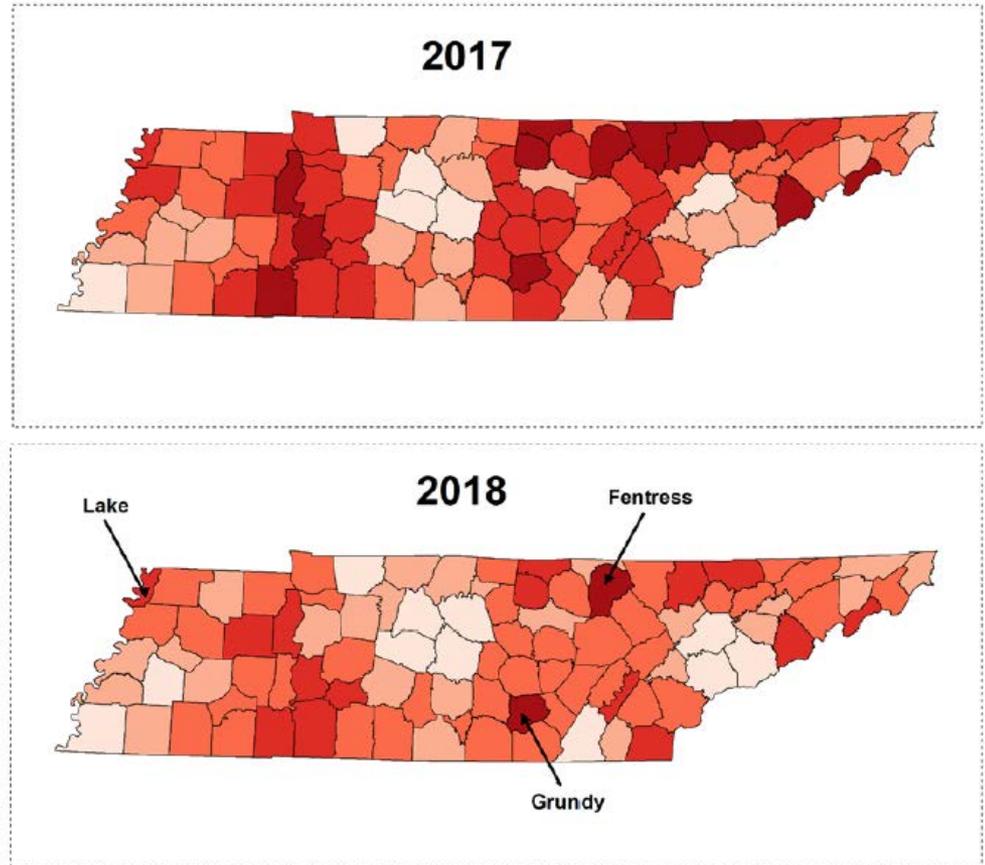
## U.S. State Prescribing Rates, 2017



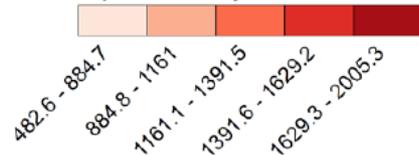
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# Rate of Opioid Pain Prescription by County

- Rates were lower in most counties
  - Increase in Lake
- Geographic distribution differs from overdose maps



Rate of Opioid Prescriptions for Pain Per 1,000 Population \*

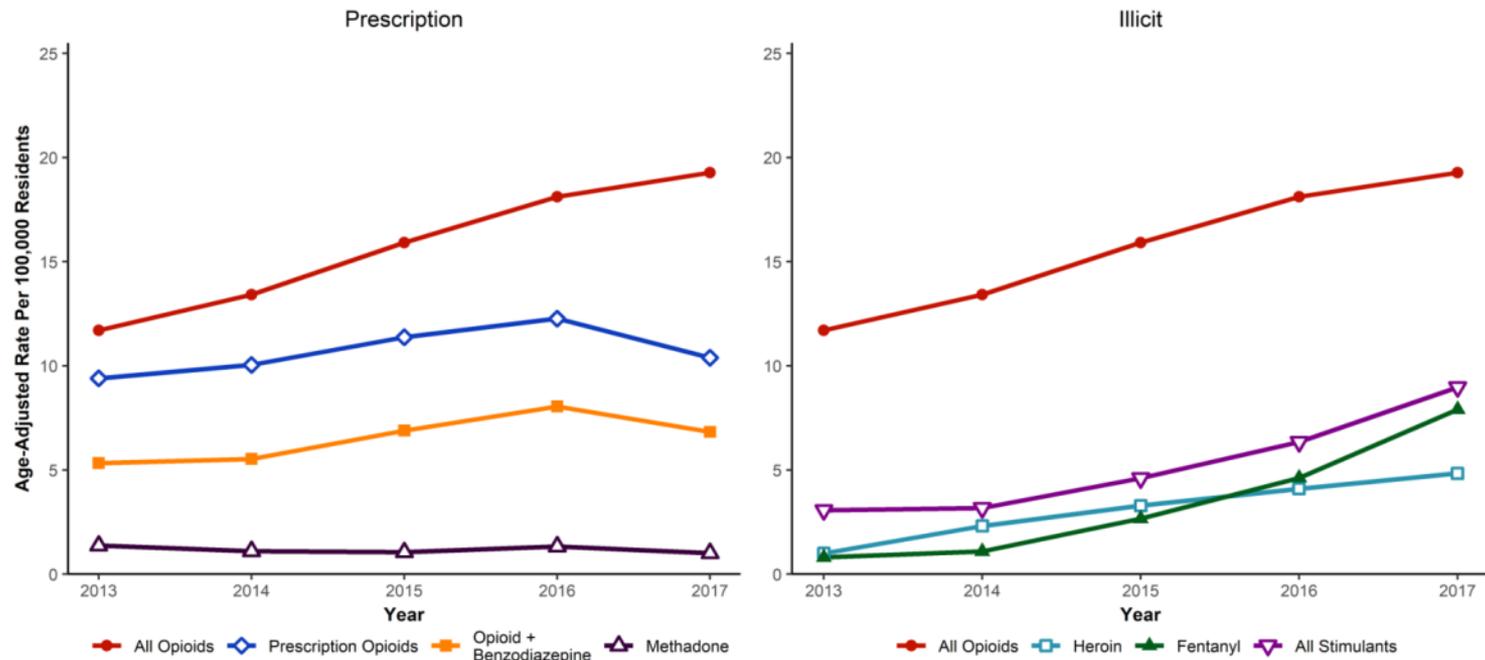


# Current Threats

- Tennessee one of the highest states for opioid prescribing
  - Increased use of CSMD before prescribing
  - Decreases in high-risk prescribing
- Increases in overdoses and deaths due to illicit substances
  - Fentanyl - 800% increase from 2013
  - Heroin - 300% increase from 2013
  - Emerging increases in stimulants
  - 72.8% of opioid overdoses are polysubstance
  - Changes in geography and age distribution

# Opioid-Related Drug Overdose Deaths

## Age-Adjusted Rates for Opioid Overdose Deaths in TN by Year for 2013-2017

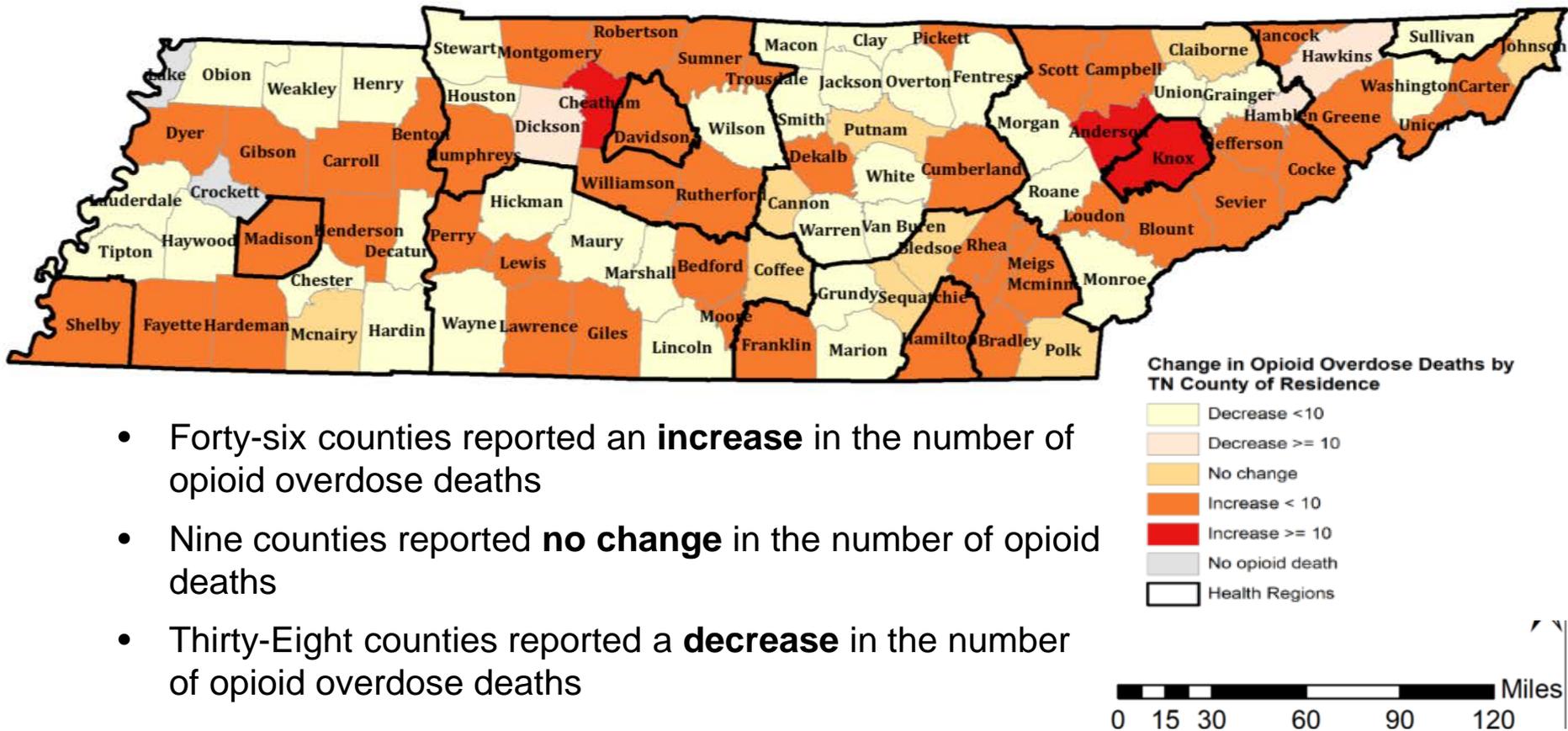


- Age-adjusted rates for deaths due to prescription opioids remained high in 2017, but showed a downward trend for the first time, as did age-adjusted rates for deaths due to combined opioid and benzodiazepine use
- Increases in age-adjusted rates for illicit opioid-related overdose deaths including heroin, fentanyl, and stimulants were observed from 2013-2017

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# Opioid-Related Drug Overdose Deaths

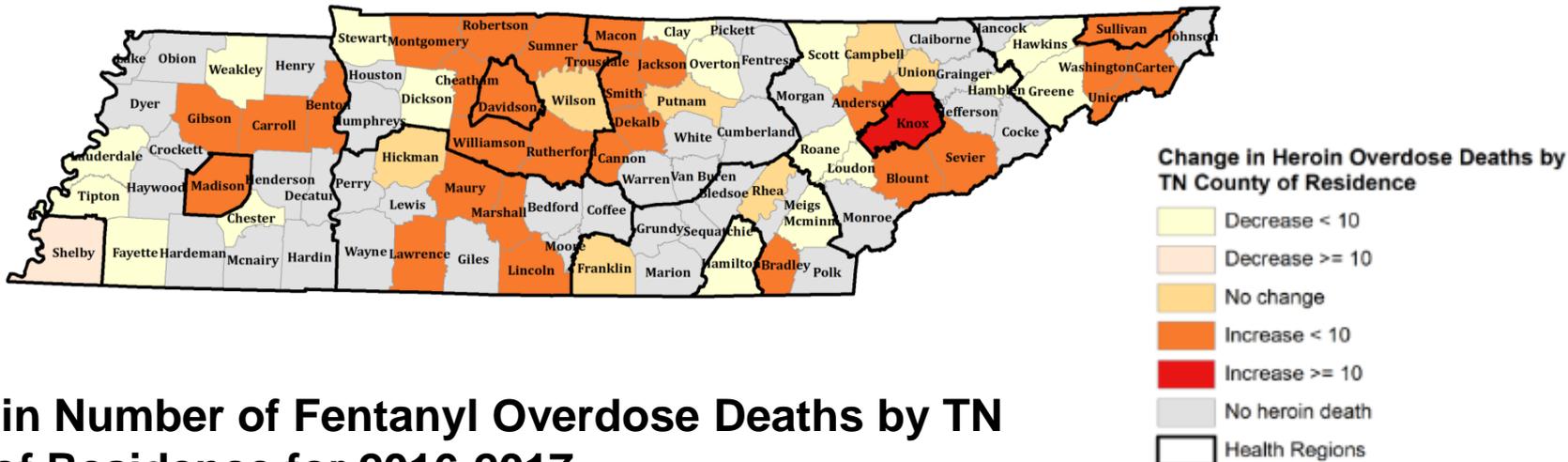
## Change in Number of Opioid Overdose Deaths by TN County of Residence for 2016-2017



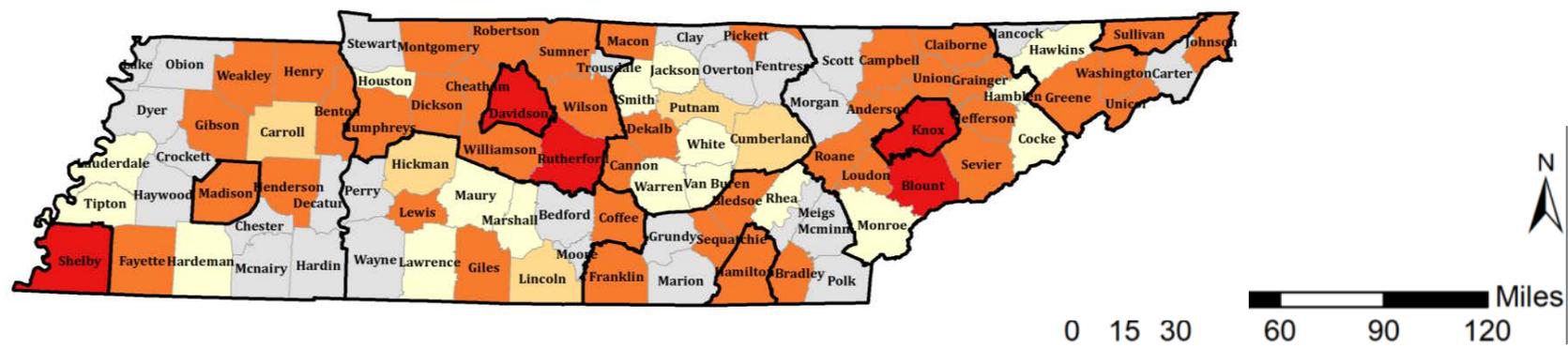
- Forty-six counties reported an **increase** in the number of opioid overdose deaths
- Nine counties reported **no change** in the number of opioid deaths
- Thirty-Eight counties reported a **decrease** in the number of opioid overdose deaths

# Change in Heroin and Fentanyl Overdose Deaths

## Change in Number of Heroin Overdose Deaths by TN County of Residence for 2016-2017



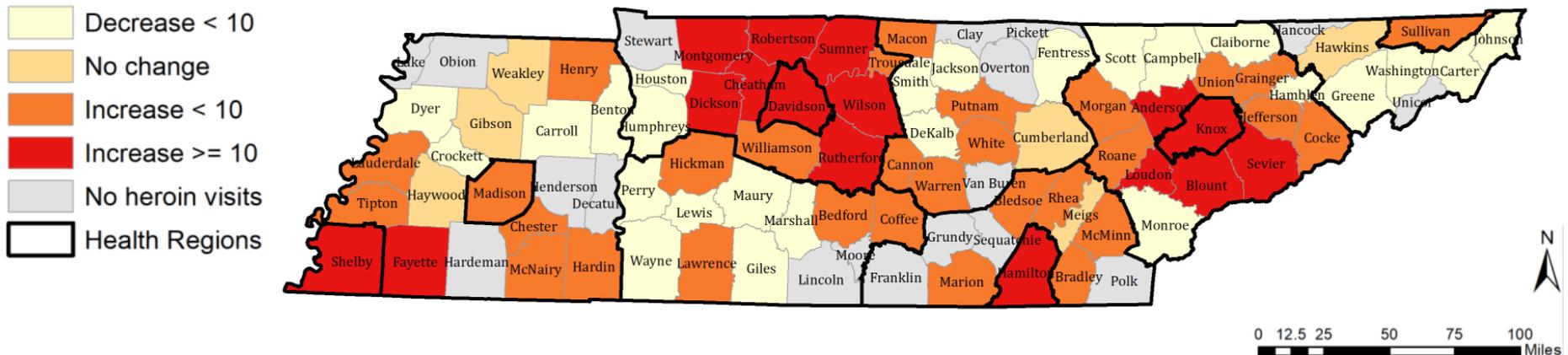
## Change in Number of Fentanyl Overdose Deaths by TN County of Residence for 2016-2017



# Opioid-Related Overdose Hospital Discharges

## Change in Number of Heroin Overdose Outpatient Visits from 2016 to 2017 by TN county of Residence

Change in Heroin Overdose Outpatient Visits by TN County of Residence



- Six counties experienced **no change** in the number of heroin overdose outpatient visits
- Sixteen counties experienced a large **increase** ( $\geq 10$ ) in the number of heroin overdose outpatient visits
- Twenty-five counties experienced a **decrease** ( $< 10$ ) in the number of heroin overdose outpatient visits

\*Data Source: Tennessee Department of Health, Hospital Discharge file. Analysis by Tennessee Office of Informatics and Analytics. Updated: 11/7/2018. Rates by county were not calculated due to small sample sizes, which would result in unreliable rates. Percent change values should not be interpreted with the caveat that the absolute change may be small, but the percent change value may be large

# ORCO Background

## Established in 2019

- Provide support and structure to the departmental opioid response
- Coordinate grant-funded activities and reporting
- Expand and strengthen partnerships

## Guiding Principles

- Substance Use Disorder (SUD) is a complex, chronic, relapsing disease that requires long-term response and treatment.
- SUD impacts all demographic groups. It impacts our family members, friends and neighbors.
- Disparities among the social determinants of health exacerbate SUD.
- Response to SUD requires authentic collaboration and a commitment to health equity, data-driven decision making, and interventions that are both evidenced-based and stigma reducing.

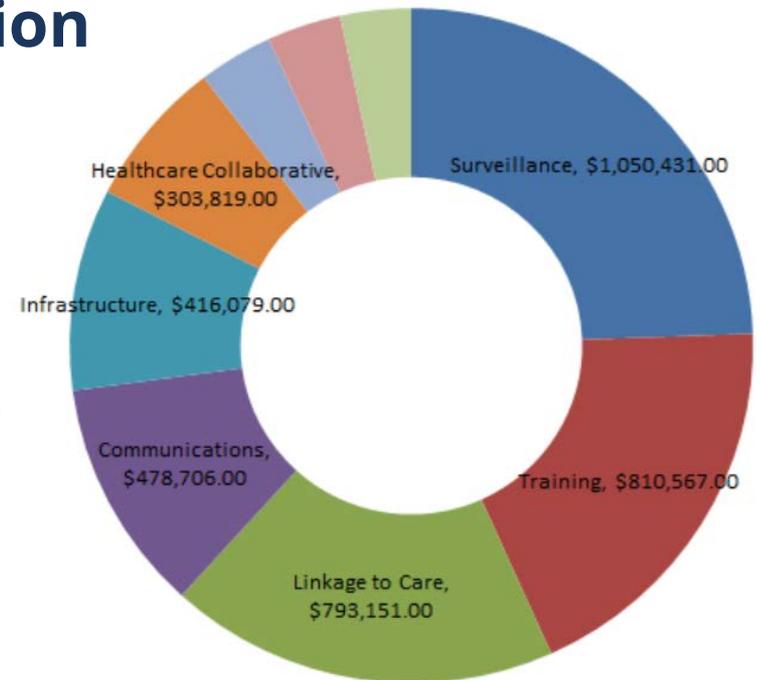
# Fiscal and Budget

## Total Funding for Opioids at TDH - \$9.9 million



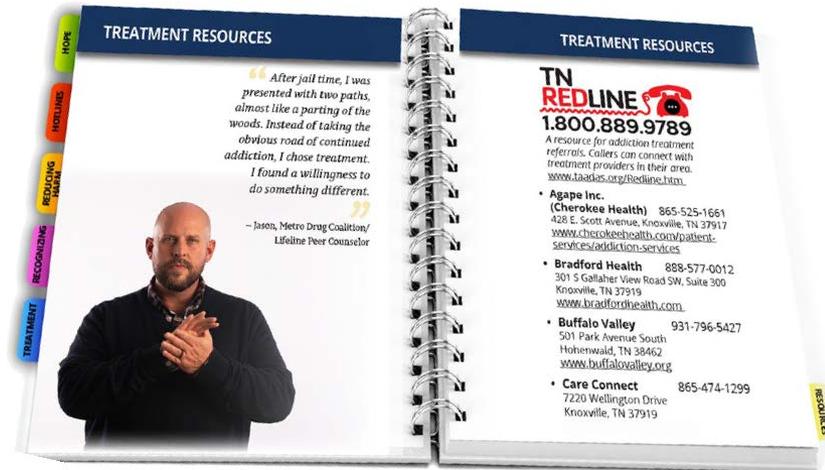
## Opioid Crisis Funding - \$4.3 million

- Surveillance
- Training
- Linkage to Care
- Communications
- Infrastructure
- Healthcare Collaborative
- Regulatory Oversight
- Response
- Health Disparities



# Opioid Crisis Funding and Projects

- 20 projects funded
  - One-time, one year funding
- **Preparedness and Response**
  - Development of response plan and tabletop exercises
  - Training mental health first aid teams
- **Training and Education**
  - Faces of opioids and media campaigns
  - Academic detailing
  - Text message continuing education for healthcare providers
  - Naloxone administration for first responders
  - Summit for minorities and underserved populations
  - Protocols and policies for rural hospitals and safety-net providers
  - Resource booklet for recent overdoses



# Opioid Crisis Funding and Projects

- **Linkage to Care**

- Substance Use Resource Navigators in 6 counties (3 regions)
- Enhanced Redline capacity
- Developing web-based tool for tracking mental health beds

- **Data and Surveillance**

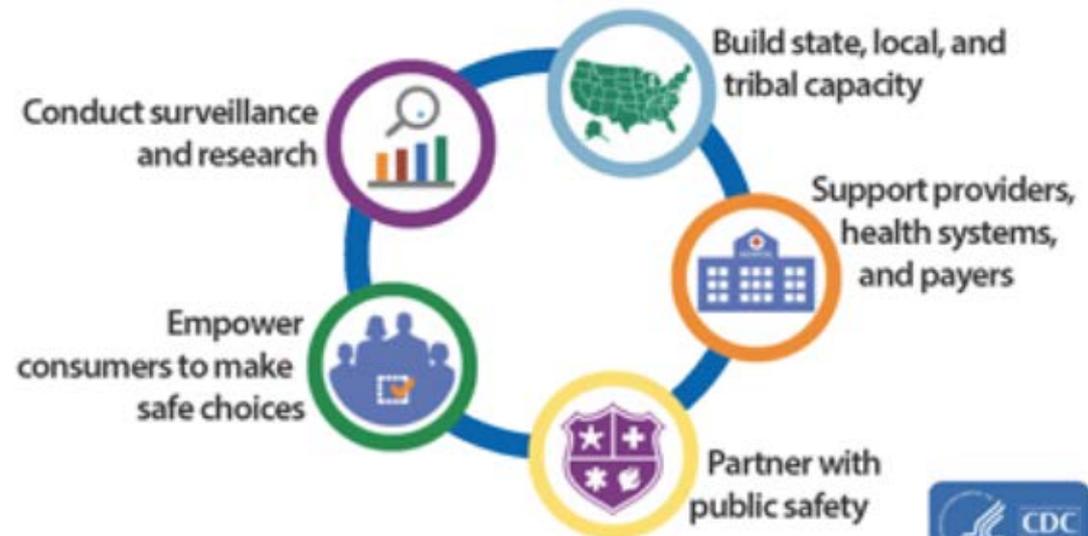
- Increased funding for toxicology and autopsies
- Expand syndromic surveillance for opioid overdoses
- Update TN Vulnerability index
- Electronic EMS reporting system
- First responder overdose reporting system, DI3

# Overdose Data to Action (OD2A)

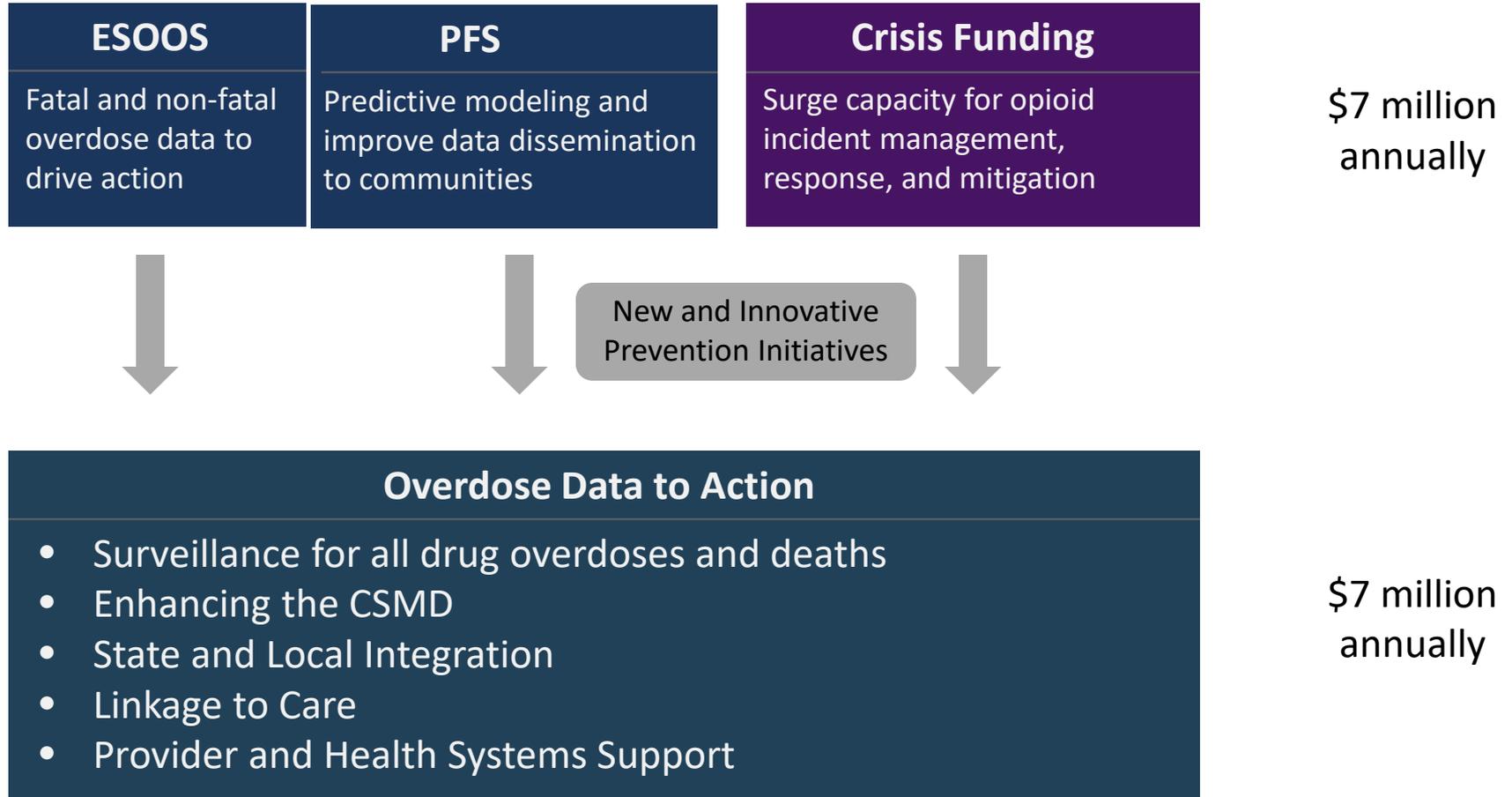
- Most recent CDC Notice of Funding Opportunity (NOFO)
- Streamlines existing work and funding in the department
- Expands surveillance data from opioid overdoses to drug overdoses
- Expands prevention efforts and requires at least 20% of prevention funding be awarded locally

## Key Info:

- Due: 5/2/2019
- 3 year cycle



# Current Activities/Funding and OD2A



# OD Data2Action Application: Assumptions

## Target Populations

- Urban populations
- Rural “ring” county populations
- Illicit drug users
- People with prior overdose
- Women who use drugs during pregnancy
- High-risk providers and patients identified by modeling

## Areas

- High Impact Areas (HIAs) with high fatal and non-fatal overdose counts



# OD Data2Action Application: Assumptions

## Proposed Outcomes

- Reduction in overall overdoses in the state
- Reduction in ED visits for overdose
- Increased partnerships and implementation of evidence-based initiatives
- More awareness of treatment landscape throughout the state
- Increased linkage to treatment
- Reduction in high-risk prescribing
- Increased provider awareness of SUD

# State and Local Integration

- Establishment of partnerships and implementation of cross-sector community interventions in High-Impact Areas- education, prevention, harm reduction, diversion
- Plans to respond to overdose spikes



# Linkage to Care

- Increase awareness of treatment capacity
- Staffing emergency departments with peer navigators
- Navigation and case management systems
- Outreach teams to follow up with persons at increased risk of overdose
- Using data to identify those most at risk and engaging



# Provider and Health Systems Support

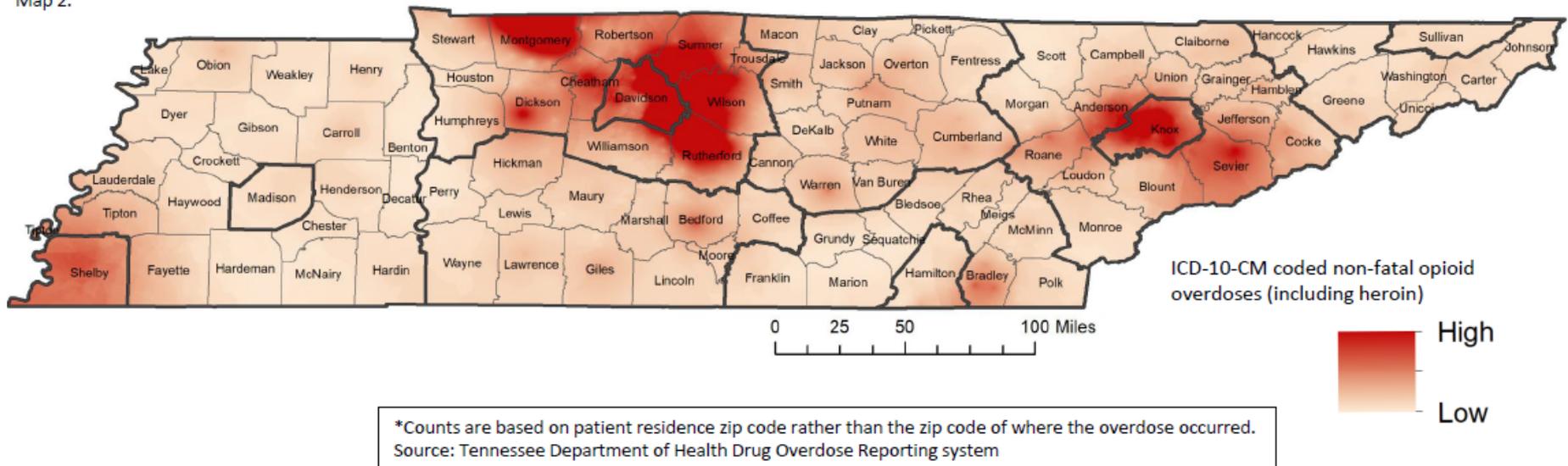
- Academic detailing
- Using technology to provide training to providers
- Clinician and provider training on safe prescribing practices
- Quality improvement initiatives related to prescribing guidelines



# High Impact Areas

## Heat Map of ICD-10-CM coded non-fatal opioid overdoses: YTD (January-November, 2018)

Map 2.



Source: Tennessee Department of Health, Office of Informatics and Analytics, Drug Overdose Reporting system. Not for public distribution.

# OD Data2Action Application: Integration

## High Impact Areas

- Knoxville/ East HIA
- Davidson/ Mid-Cumberland HIA
- Shelby HIA

## HIA Requirements

- HIAs will develop a OD Data to Action plan with public health, coalition and healthcare partners, including acute response plan.
- HIA plans will demonstrate development of partnerships with anti-drug coalitions, peer recovery navigators, Lifeliners, SSPs etc.
- HIA plans will review data and identify activities for implementation, including *at least* one activity in Community Integration, Linkage to Care and Provider and Health Systems Support.