Opioid Strategy and Implementation of Opioid Settlements

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Headlines



Michigan has been a leader nationally in our approach to opioids.

- Harm reduction programs (e.g., naloxone). This was highlighted in a recent state roadmap developed by the National Governors Association.
- Treatment access and number of providers.
- Dollars being spent from the opioid settlements.

Nationally the opioid crisis worsened during the pandemic.

- Michigan overperformed the national trend for overdose (OD) deaths during this time.
- In 2022, national OD deaths increased, while provisional 2022 estimates suggest Michigan OD deaths decreased.
- Michigan has gone from having one of the highest rates of overdose to a rate below the national average in five years.

BUT there is still work to be done:

- Racial disparities in OD deaths have widened nationally/in Michigan.
- New substances continue to emerge and cause harm.

Long-Term Strategic Plan





If we do nothing, where will be in 18 years?

- Substance Use Disorder (SUD) will continue to be a problem across our country. A long-term strategy is needed.
- There will be new drugs. We need flexible funding and the ability to pivot rapidly.

Our goal: Continue Michigan's progress from having one of the highest rates of overdose to one of the lowest.

Opioid Response Framework



Emphasis on **EQUITY** and **DATA**

Prevention

Prevent opioid addiction

- Prescriber education
- Support for families impacted by SUD

Harm Reduction

Prevent overdose deaths

Naloxone

Prevent physical & mental health complications

- Treatment of infections
- Syringe programs

Treatment

Increase access to treatment

- Provider workforce
- Transportation to treatment
- Treatment in jails/prisons

Recovery Support

Increase access to recovery services

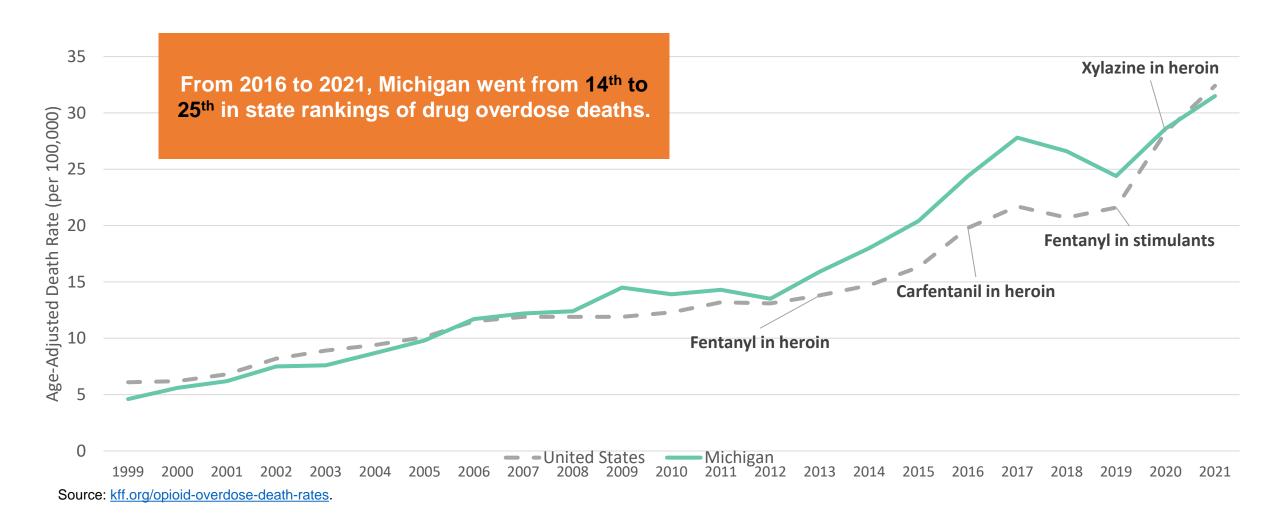
- Recovery housing
- Employment services

Prioritizing the needs of vulnerable populations: e.g. justice-involved, pregnant and parenting

Age-Adjusted Death Rate, All Drug Overdoses, Michigan and the United States



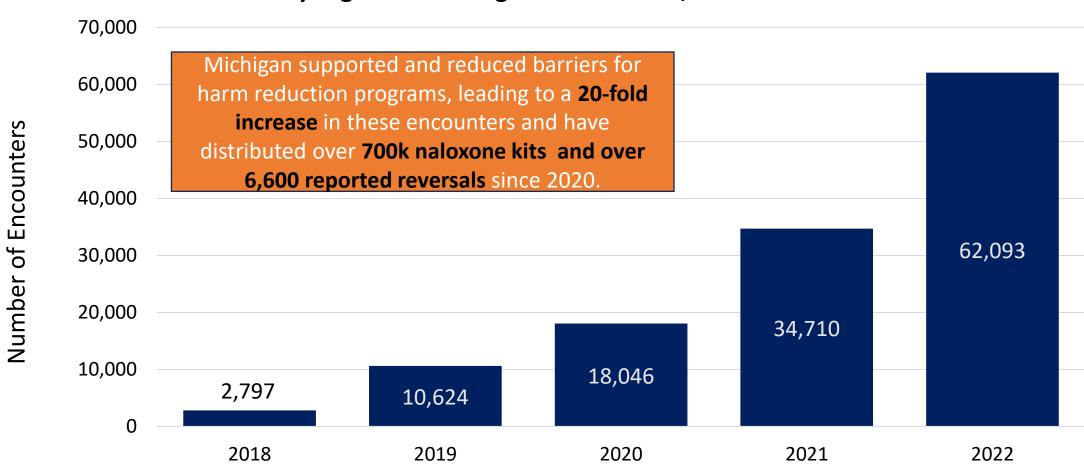
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Harm Reduction Impacts

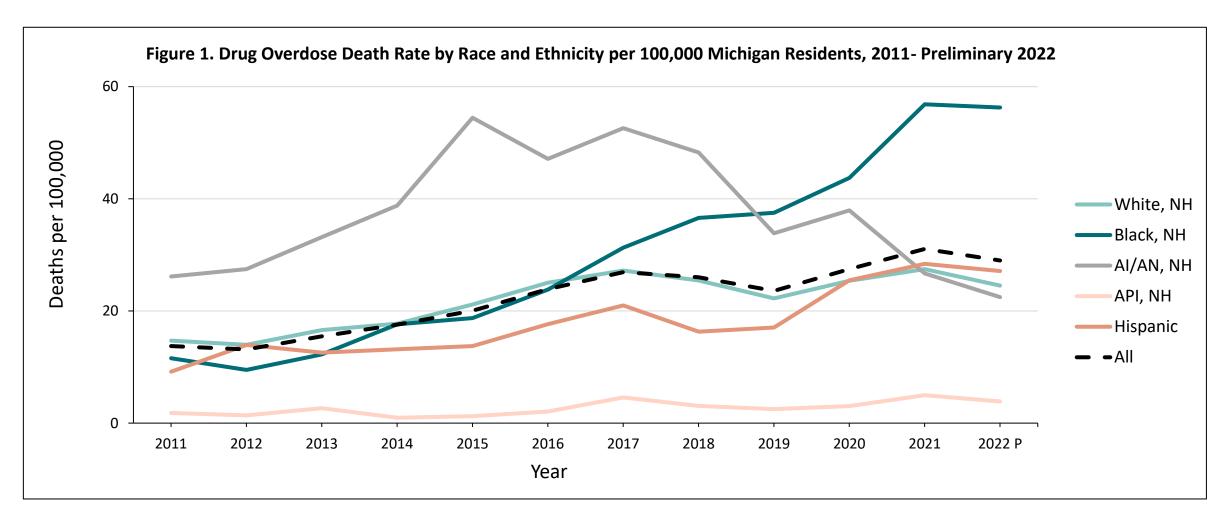






Overdose Deaths: Racial Disparities Have Increased





Source: 2011-2021 Mortality: Finalized Michigan Resident Death files, Office of Vital Records and Health Statistics, MDHHS.

2022 P: Provisional Michigan Resident Death files, Office of Vital Records and Health Statistics, MDHHS, provided for the MiVDRS and SUDORS projects.

Michigan's Breakdown of Opioid Settlements



Current Settlements

- ✓ McKinsey \$19.5 million received by the State of Michigan.
- ✓ Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen (Distributors) and Janssen
 - \$776 million over 18 years, split 50/50 state and local.
- ✓ Additional settlements in the future.

Settlement	Year 1 Local Government Share	Year 1 State Share
Distributors (Cardinal, McKesson, and AmerisourceBergen)	\$13,482,437.84	\$13,457,661.78
Johnson & Johnson* (Janssen)	\$53,976,185.46	\$54,638,181.13
TOTALS	Year 1 Local Government Total: \$67,458,623.20	Year 1 State Total: \$68,095,842.80

^{*}Johnson & Johnson Year 1 payment included the first four years of payments up front.

Spend Plan Development: Community Engagement Efforts



2020

Statewide townhalls with legislature's support.

2021

Engagement from over 100-person stakeholder advisory group on opioid settlements.

2021-2022 Statewide community survey with more than 1,000 responses.

2021-2023

Dozens of partner and stakeholder meetings.

2023-2024 Many more opportunities soon to be announced, including listening session series.

- Michigan's tribes
- ✓ Michigan Association of Counties
- ✓ Michigan Municipal League
- ✓ Michigan Townships Association
- ✓ Community Mental Health Association of Michigan
- Michigan Association for Local Public Health
- Michigan Association of Treatment Court Professionals
- ✓ Michigan Center for Rural Health
- ✓ Recovery Community Organizations
- ✓ Michigan Association of Recovery Residences
- ✓ Council of Michigan Foundations
- ✓ Michigan Sheriffs' Association
- Prepaid Inpatient Health Plans and SUD Directors
- Many other organizations and community members

Spend Plan Development: 2021-2022 Opioid Settlements Prioritization Survey



Between October 2021 and January 2022, over 1,000 respondents across Michigan completed a survey of priorities for opioid settlements.

Survey respondents identified three top priorities for opioid settlements spending:

- 1. Recovery support services including peer support specialists and wraparound services for individuals with substance use disorder and co-occurring mental health diagnoses.
- 2. Prevention programming including training and education, media campaigns and drug disposal programs.
- 3. Expanding access to medications that effectively treat opioid use disorder (MOUD) and other opioid-related treatment.

Spend Plan Development: Substance Use Vulnerability Index



Substance Use Burden

- Overdose Death Rate
- Nonfatal Overdose Emergency Department Visit Rate
- · Opioid Prescribing Rate
- · Drug-Related Arrest Rate



Substance Use Resources

- Percent of Population within 30 Minute Drive of Treatment Center
- Percent of Population within 15 Minute Drive of SSP
- Buprenorphine Prescribing Rate

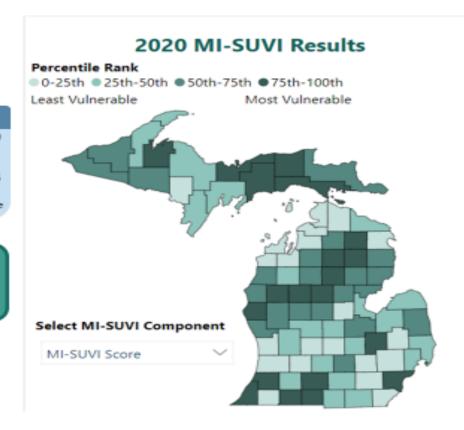


Social Vulnerability

Federal data used to assess community needs



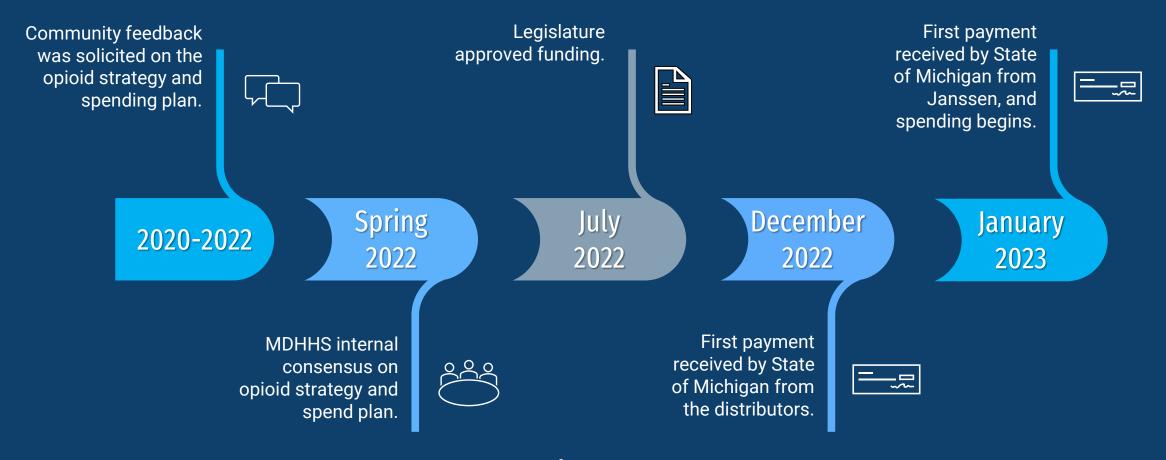
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Data Review: Substance Use Vulnerability Index



Opioid Settlements Spend Plan Development





Opioid Settlements FY23 Spend Plan Initiatives (\$39 million)



Prevention

FY23: \$4.5 million

- Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) initiatives.
- Quick Response Teams.
- Community coalitions training.

Harm Reduction

FY23: \$8.5 million

- Naloxone Portal.
- Syringe Service Program operations.

Treatment

FY23: \$9.1 million

- Staffing incentives.
- Infrastructure grants.
- Expanding capacity to treat stimulant and polysubstance use.

Recovery

FY23: \$7.6 million

- Recovery Community Organizations.
- Recovery housing.
- Other recovery supports.

Prioritizing the Needs of Vulnerable Groups

FY23: \$9.3 million

- Medications for opioid use disorder in prisons and jails.
- Overdose surveillance system improvements, maintenance and rapid toxicology from medical examiners.
- High-touch, high-tech screening expansion for pregnant individuals.
- Rooming-In for infants born with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS).
- Technical assistance to local governments on best practices.
- Projects related to opioids task force Racial Equity Workgroup.

First payments arrived December 2022. Money distributed starting January 2023.

Opioid Settlements FY24 Spend Plan Initiatives (\$41.2 million)



Prevention \$2.3 million

- Quick Response Teams.
- Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) initiatives.
- · Overdose fatality reviews.

- Community coalitions trainings.
- Prevention request for proposal (RFP) for innovative services.

Treatment \$9.8 million

- Transportation support.
- Expanding capacity to treat stimulant and polysubstance use.

- Emergency Dept. MOUD access.
- Treatment RFP for high need locations.
- Continued infrastructure, workforce support.

Harm Reduction \$9 million

- Naloxone Portal.
- Syringe Service Program operations.

Recovery \$5.2 million

- Recovery housing.
- Recovery Community Organizations.

• Recovery RFP for additional supports.

Prioritizing Vulnerable Populations \$10.4 million

- Opioid Task Force Racial Equity Workgroup projects.
- MOUD in prisons/jails and criminal justice supports.
- Peer supports and programs for families engaged with Children's Services.
- Expansion of screenings for pregnant individuals and Rooming In for infants born with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome (NAS).

Maximizing Impact \$4.5 million

- Incentives for local governments.
- Training & technical assistance for local governments.
- Evaluation.

- Overdose surveillance improvements/maintenance.
- Communications.
- Administration.



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Opioids Settlement Website





www.michigan.gov/opioids/opioidsettlements content includes:

- Overview and status of settlements.
- Resources to support implementation of local opioid abatement strategies.
- Allowable uses for funds and resources to aid in creation of strategies and spend plans.
- A request form for accessing no-cost technical assistance for local governments.
- A detailed description of state opioid abatement investments.
- Program monitoring and evaluation dashboard for state initiatives.
- Information on equity specific investments and equity considerations in all investments.
- Contact information, including a link to a settlement-specific inbox at: MDHHS-opioidsettlementhelp@michigan.gov.

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Support to Local Governments



The Michigan Opioid Settlements Technical Assistance Collaborative

- ✓ MDHHS has contracted with Michigan State University, the University of Michigan, and Wayne State University to provide technical assistance to local governments to ensure they have resources available to make the most impactful investment decisions for opioid settlements for their communities.
- ✓ Together with MDHHS, the universities have formed the Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC) to share information with local governments regarding best practices for opioid-related issues.
- ✓ The TAC provides individualized technical assistance to counties requesting it, as well as educational webinars and resources that are available to all local governments across Michigan.











Technical Assistance Collaborative (TAC)





Individualized Technical Assistance

- Local governments can submit technical assistance (TA) request forms that are referred to TAC for engagement and consultation.
- As of October, TAC is engaged with 21 counties across Michigan that have requested TA for their communities.
- TA requests have focused primarily on guidance for conducting community needs assessments and support for evaluation.



Informational Webinars

• Local governments are invited to monthly TAC webinars that provide education on settlement-specific topics, including evidence-based opioid abatement efforts, such as settlement agreement overview & compliance, determining local needs and assets through engaged community assessments, and treating opioid use disorder in jails.



Resources

- TAC links local governments to virtual resources on evidence-based opioid abatement strategies and is currently developing additional content to share.
- Virtual resources are also accessible to community stakeholders providing advocacy or are involved in community planning efforts.



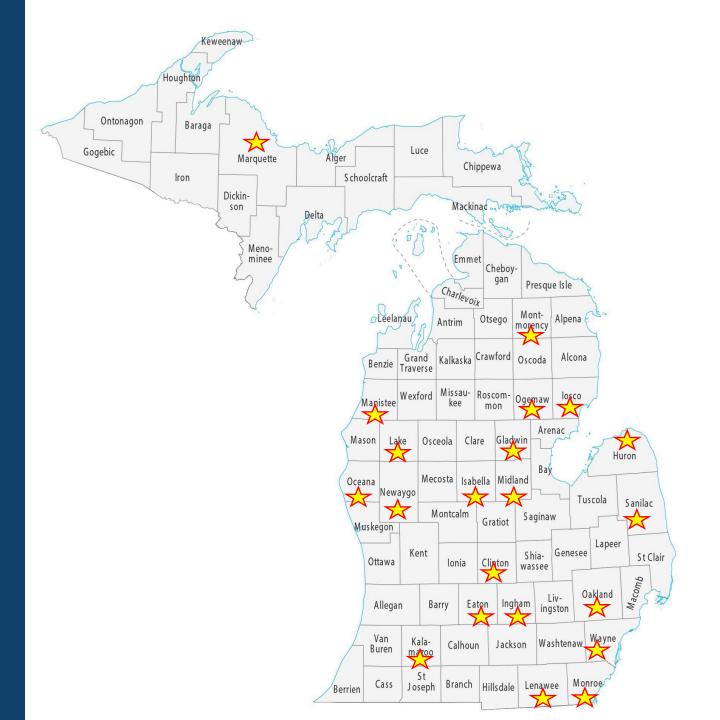
Community Presentations

MDHHS has provided numerous presentations to stakeholders across Michigan to provide an overview of settlement-related
efforts and network with local communities to connect them to information and resources.

Opioid Settlements Technical Assistance Collaborative

As of October 2023, **21 counties** have engaged with the Technical Assistance Collaborative for technical assistance on evidence-based investments for their opioid settlements.

Moving forward, MDHHS will use funds to incentivize local government collaboration on evidence-based, impactful investments.



Questions?



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