

HHS BY THE NUMBERS

Addressing the Drug Overdose Crisis

406%
increase in monthly
naloxone prescriptions
from January 2017
to September 2019¹



\$4.26 BILLION+

in grants from HHS to states, tribes, and local communities to fight the opioid crisis in FY 2019

\$945M

in research awards through NIH's Helping to End Addiction Long-term (HEAL) Initiative

HHS launched [FINDTREATMENT.GOV](https://www.findtreatment.gov), a website that helps connect Americans looking for substance abuse treatment with ~13,000 locations across the U.S.



23
approved state waivers since Jan. 2017 in Medicaid to expand access to inpatient options for substance-use disorder

From Jan. 2017 to Sept. 2019

31%
increase in number of patients receiving buprenorphine monthly²



32%
decrease in total opioids dispensed monthly by pharmacies³

58%
increase in monthly naltrexone prescriptions⁴

1.28M

Americans now receiving medication assisted treatment, an increase of 39% since 2016

\$350M

announced as part of HEALing Communities Initiative to reduce overdose deaths by 40% in communities in four states

4.1%

drop in drug overdose deaths from 2017 to 2018, the first drop in more than

TWO DECADES

¹ IQVIA National Prescription Audit. Data Extracted on November 1, 2019. Numbers include the prescriptions dispensed through the retail mail pharmacies only.

² IQVIA Total Patient Tracker. Data Extracted on November 1, 2019. Numbers include patients dispensed prescriptions through the retail pharmacies only.

³ IQVIA National Prescription Audit. Data Extracted on November 5, 2019. The amount of opioids dispensed is measured by morphine milligram equivalents and include the amount dispensed by retail and mail pharmacies only.

⁴ IQVIA National Prescription Audit. Data Extracted on November 1, 2019. Numbers include the prescriptions dispensed through the retail mail pharmacies only.