

What The Fentanyl!

Making sense of a deadly epidemic

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Fentanyl comes to California

Figure 3. Overdose-Associated Cardiac Arrests (OCAs) per 100 000 Activations and Percentage Increases by Census Division, 2020

A Percent change in 2020

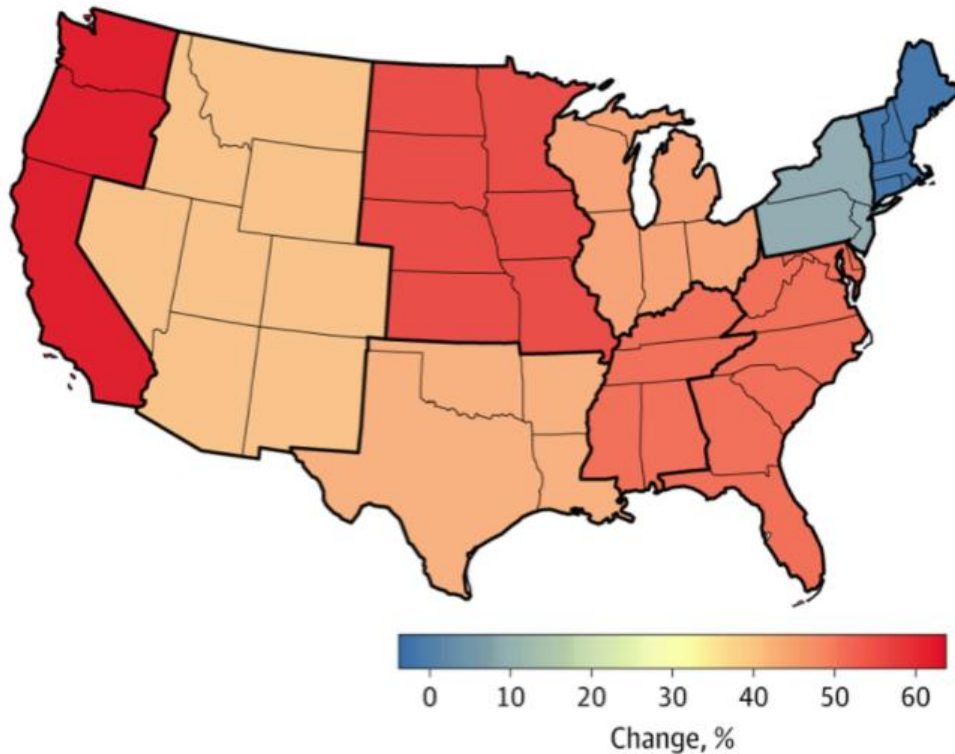
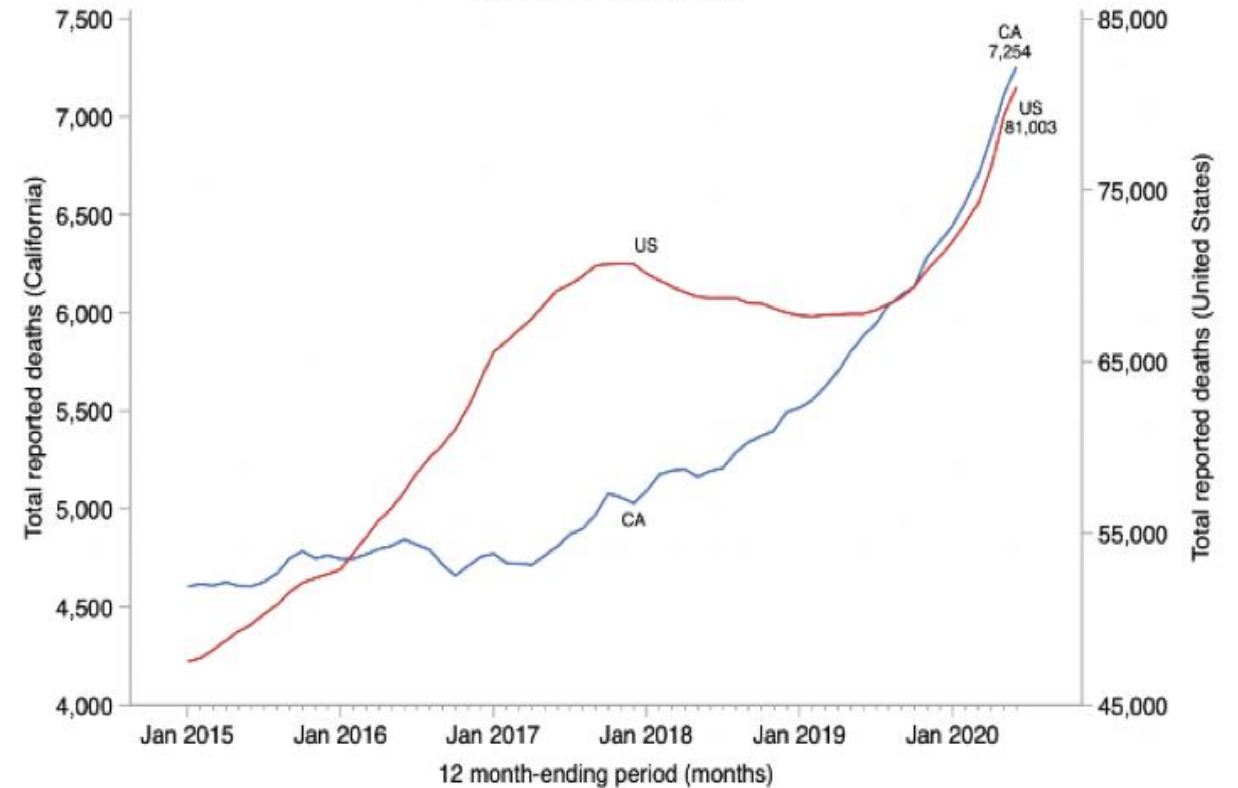


Fig 1. Drug Overdose Deaths in California (left) & the United States (right)
Jan 2015 - June 2020



**Can you
name
somebody
who...?**



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Yes, you can.
We all can.



ALL OF US

The word "ALL OF US" is displayed in a stylized font where each letter is constructed from different types of worms and caterpillars. The 'A' is made of a bundle of thin, light-colored worms. The 'L's are formed by thicker, segmented worms. The 'O' is a coiled, translucent worm. The 'F' is a small, segmented caterpillar. The 'U' is a large, thick, segmented worm. The 'S' is a long, thin, translucent worm.

But seriously,

WTFentanyl...?

What's the deal with Fentanyl?

- **Synthetic opioid** = lab designed → *stronger, more effective*
- **Higher receptor affinity & potency** → higher “high” (more addictive) ...*and higher risk of OD*
- Does not reliably show up on routine urine toxicology screen (there *are* specific fentanyl tests – not available in every lab)
- Can **build up in fat stores over time** → longer time to withdrawal

What's the deal with Fentanyl?

- **Fentanyl gets mixed with other drugs** – e.g. heroin, methamphetamine, cocaine
- DEA analysis of counterfeit pills showed 0.02 to **5.1mg of fentanyl/tablet** (>2x lethal dose!)

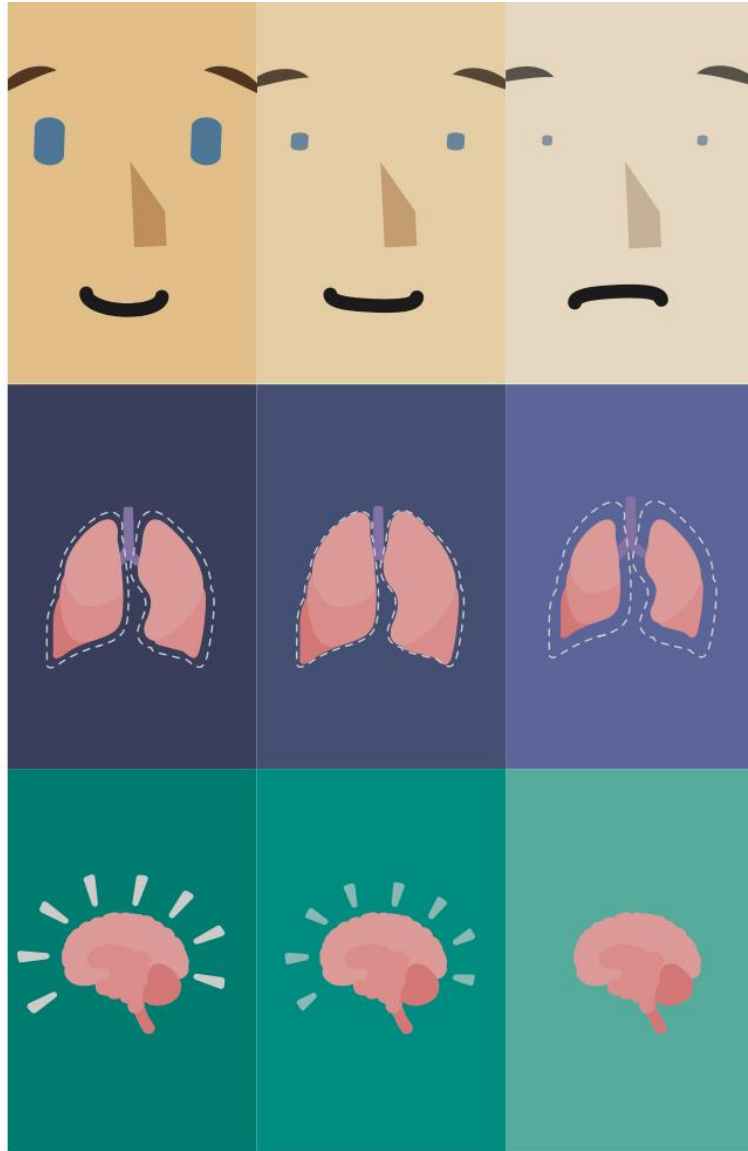


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What's the deal with Fentanyl?

- Fentanyl is rapidly absorbed by smoking
- Poorly absorbed by skin absorption is slow (peaks at 72hours)





What does an overdose look like?


Learn the signs of a opioid overdose and educate those around you.

Three strong signs of overdose are:

- **tiny, pinpoint pupils**
- **slow and shallow breathing**
- **unconsciousness and/or unresponsiveness**

Harm Reduction: Naloxone

1 Identify Opioid Overdose and Check for Response



ASK person if he or she is okay and shout name.


Check for signs of opioid overdose:

- Will not wake up or respond to your voice or touch
- Breathing is very slow, irregular, or has stopped
- Center part of their eye is very small, sometimes called "pinpoint pupils"

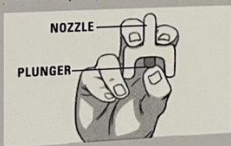
Lay the person on their back to receive a dose of NARCAN® Nasal Spray.

2 Give NARCAN® Nasal Spray

Remove NARCAN® Nasal Spray from the box.




Peel back the tab with the circle to open the NARCAN® Nasal Spray




Hold the NARCAN® Nasal Spray with your thumb on the bottom of the plunger and your first and middle fingers on either side of the nozzle.

3 Call for emergency medical help, Evaluate, and Support



Gently insert the tip of the nozzle into either nostril.


- Tilt the person's head back and provide support under the neck with your hand. Gently insert the tip of the nozzle into one nostril, until your fingers on either side of the nozzle are against the bottom of the person's nose.



Press the red plunger firmly to give the dose of NARCAN® Nasal Spray.

- Remove the NARCAN Nasal Spray from the nostril after giving the dose.

Get emergency medical help right away.



Move the person on their side (recovery position) after giving NARCAN Nasal Spray.

Watch the person closely.

If the person does not respond by waking up, to voice or touch, or breathing normally another dose may be given. NARCAN Nasal Spray may be dosed every 2 to 3 minutes, if available.

Repeat Step 2 using a new NARCAN Nasal Spray to give another dose in the other nostril. If additional NARCAN® Nasal Sprays are available, repeat step 2 every 2 to 3 minutes until the person responds or emergency medical help is received.

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0.1 mL intranasal spray per unit
For use in the nose only

Rx Only

NARCAN® (naloxone HCl)
NASAL SPRAY 4 mg

Use NARCAN® Nasal Spray for known or suspected opioid overdose in adults and children.

Important: For use in the nose only.
Do not remove or test the NARCAN® Nasal Spray until ready to use

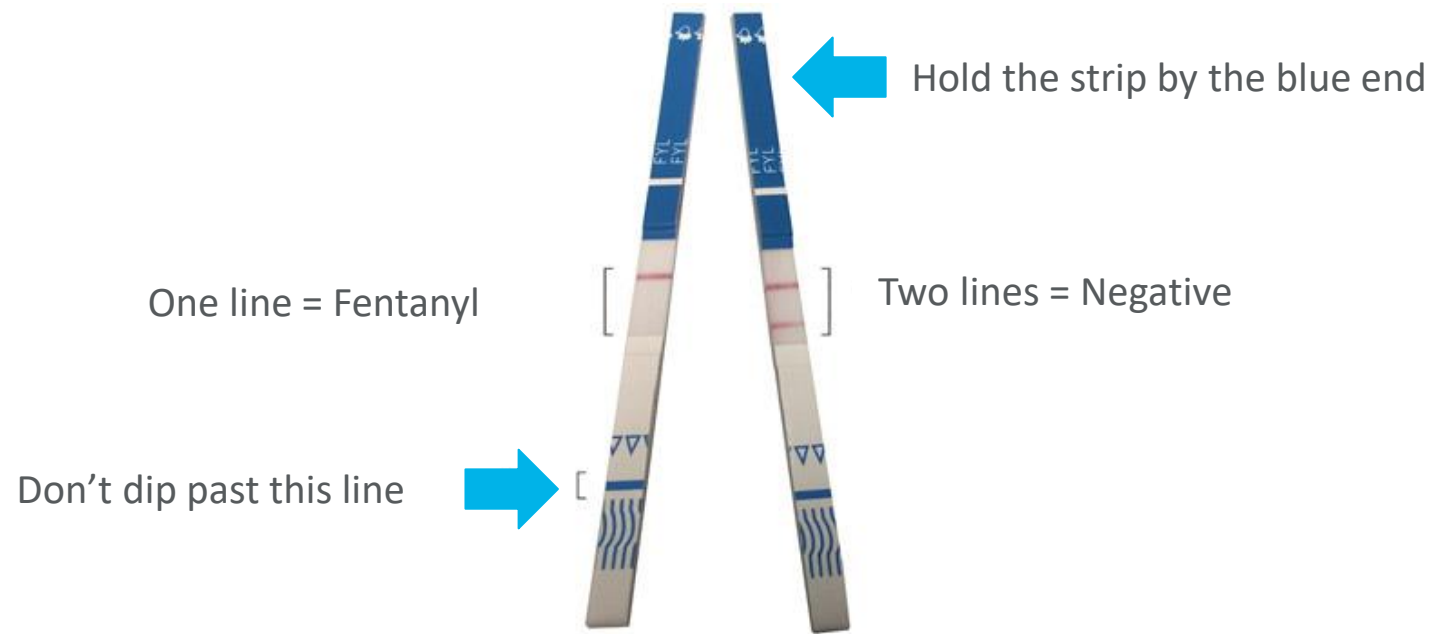
This box contains two (2) 4-mg doses of naloxone HCl nasal spray

Two Pack

OPEN HERE FOR QUICK START GUIDE
Opioid Overdose Response Instructions

CHECK PRODUCT EXPIRATION DATE BEFORE USE.

Harm Reduction: Fentanyl Test Strips



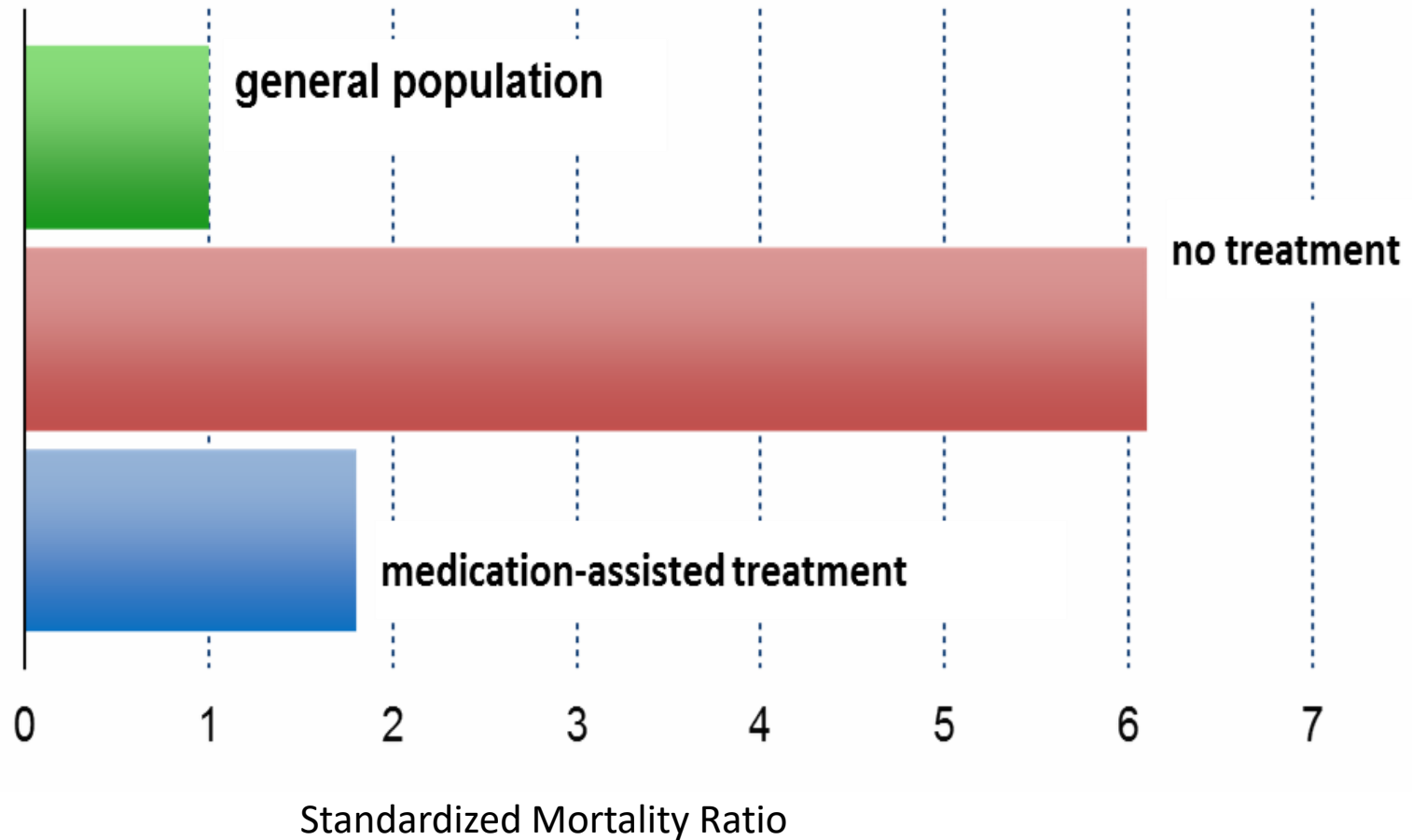
- ***Help identify unintentional fentanyl in drugs***
- ***Caution: High concentrations of meth can cause false positive***

Good News: MAT Works

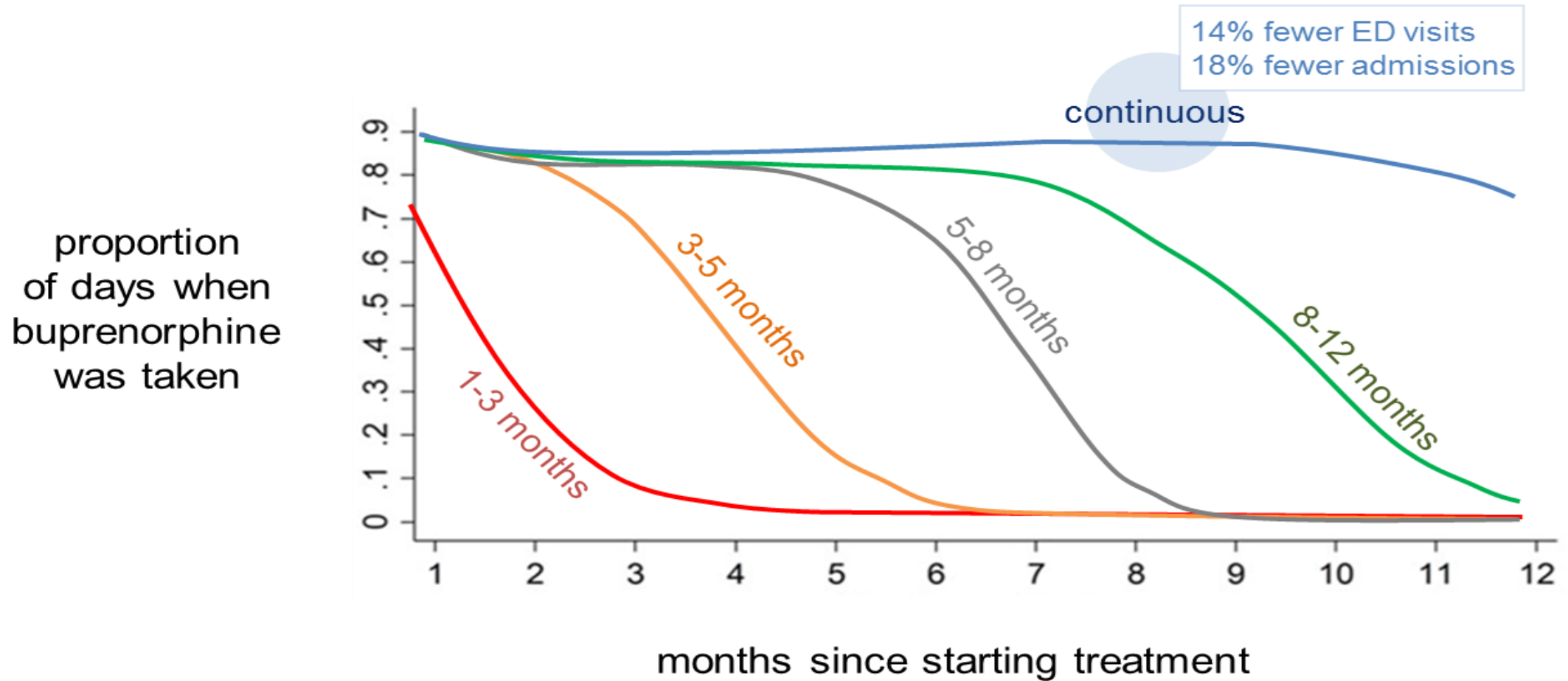


Treatment Saves Lives

Death rates:



How Long do Patients Need MAT?



10.3% of people aged 12 or older who need treatment for substance use received **any** substance use treatment in the past year

**All people deserve rapid access
to addiction treatment**

Thank you!!

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