

# Treatment at a Glance, South Carolina

This fact sheet provides a snapshot of **state-funded treatment for substance use disorders (alcohol, marijuana, opioid and tobacco)**. The information can help local public health and community workers identify gaps and implement relevant strategies to address problems related to substance use.

## Alcohol

- From 2016 to 2018, the total number of alcohol-related patients in treatment decreased slightly by **2%**.

Source: SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services

## Marijuana

- From 2016 to 2018, the total number of marijuana-related patients in treatment increased slightly by **7%**.

Source: SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services

## Opioid

- From 2016 to 2018, the total number of opioid-related patients in treatment increased by **16%**.

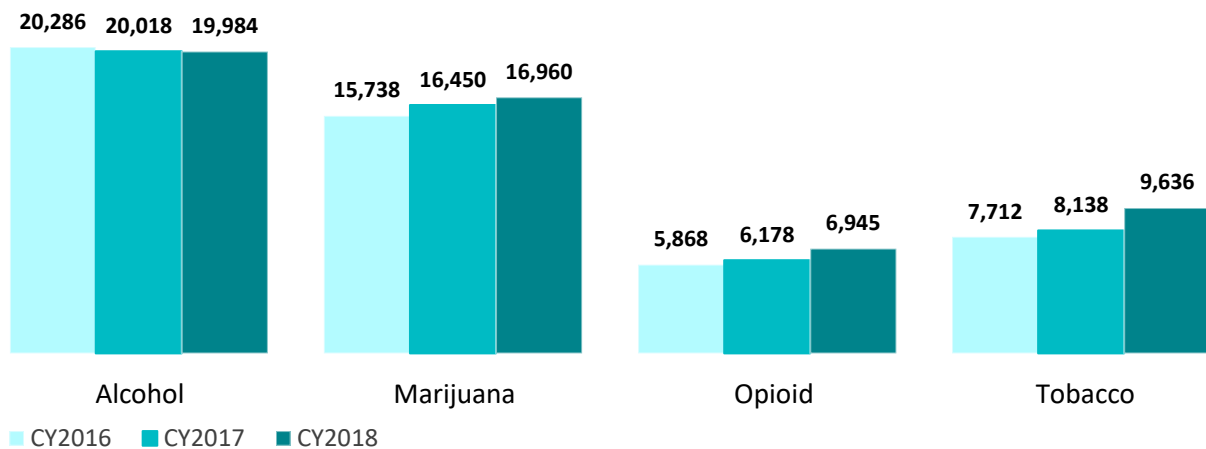
Source: SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services

## Tobacco

- From 2016 to 2018, the total number of tobacco-related patients in treatment increased by **20%**.

Source: SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services

DAODAS Substance Use Diagnosis Profiles  
Discharged Patients by Calendar Year



Source: SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services



## Prevention

- Increasing public awareness helps South Carolinians avoid the dangers of using alcohol and other drugs.
- Prevention services are designed to identify and reduce factors that place an individual at risk of experiencing problems.



## Intervention

- Screening for substance misuse is the first step in identifying behaviors that put individuals at risk for harms, including for developing a substance use disorder, and to identify patients with existing substance use disorders.



## Treatment

- The intensity of substance use disorder treatment services falls along a continuum.
- A menu of treatment options through a system of state-licensed and national accredited service providers are available statewide.



## Recovery

- Treatment is effective and the benefits from recovery are linked to improved physical, mental, and social health.
- Access to information, resources, and support groups are found across the state to help sustain recovery.