This fact sheet provides a snapshot of opioid use. This information can help local public health and community workers identify gaps and implement relevant strategies to address problems related to opioid use.

**Quick Stats**

- There has been **167%** increase in service utilization for individuals looking for help with opioid use disorder (OUD) from **2,598** in 2007 to **6,945** in 2018.

- There has been **110%** increase in the number of naloxone administrators to reverse opioid overdose conducted by EMS Personnel from **3,847** in 2013 to **8,102** in 2018.

  Source: SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS)

**Youth**

- In 2017, **15.2%** of youth in South Carolina took a pain prescription medicine without a doctor’s prescription or differently than how a doctor told them to use it, compared to **14%** nationally.

  Source: 2017 Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System (YRBSS)

**HCV & HIV Incidence**

- In 2016, roughly **10** new cases of HCV were reported in South Carolina attributed to Injection Drug Use (IDU).

- In 2017, out of 789 new cases of HIV, **19 (2.4%)** reportedly were attributed to IDU in South Carolina.

  Source: SC Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS)

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**Opioid Crisis Prevention**

1. Improving access to treatment and recovery services
2. Promoting use of overdose reversing drugs
3. Strengthening our understanding of the epidemic through better public health surveillance
4. Providing support for cutting-edge research on pain and addiction
5. Advancing better practices for pain management

**Prescription Opioid Dispensed (Per 1,000)**

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Source: justplainkillers.com

**Number of State-Funded Opioid-Use Treatment Patients in South Carolina**

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**Number of Opioid Related Deaths**

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For more information, visit Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services (DAODAS) website at: http://www.daodas.sc.gov/.