

# Overdose Prevention Investment Snapshot

## Arizona

Over 70,000 people died of an overdose in the U.S. in 2019—more than four times the 1999 total. Over two-thirds of these deaths involved an opioid. The rate of drug overdose deaths per 100,000 people was 21.6 in 2019. Deaths involving opioids rose in 2019, likely due to illicitly manufactured fentanyl. From 2018 to 2019, drug overdose deaths increased 4.8%, and opioid-involved overdose deaths increased 6.5%. Overdose deaths involving stimulants also increased.

In 2019 in Arizona there were:

1,907

Drug overdose deaths

26.8

Drug overdose deaths per 100,000 people (age-adjusted)

## 2020 Funding Overview

**\$8,162,270**

FY20 Arizona Total Funding

### Overdose Data To Action

Arizona State Award: \$5,473,310

Maricopa County Local Award: \$2,688,960

### Public Health & Public Safety

Overdose Response Strategy, Public Health Analyst: \$90,000

## Examples of How Arizona is Working to Prevent Drug Overdose

### Warm hand-offs

Arizona established a warm hand-off protocol between 9-1-1 responders, the Opiate Assistance Referral Line, and certified recovery specialists to connect patients with treatment programs and strengthen post-overdose follow-up care.

### Virtual case management

Arizona developed a 24/7 virtual case management system to help people with opioid use disorder and their families access naloxone, learn about available resources, and obtain medication-assisted treatment.

## CDC's Framework for Response



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