



# Collaborative Response to Opioid Epidemic: AHCCCS Role

April 4, 2023



# AHCCCS At A Glance



**Largest insurer in AZ, covering over 2.5 million individuals and families...**



**...more than 50% of all births in AZ...**



**...and 60% of nursing facility days.**



**AHCCCS uses federal, state and county funds to provide health care coverage to the state's Medicaid population.**



**More than 120,566 health care providers are registered with AHCCCS.**



**Payments are made to 12 contracted health plans that are responsible for the delivery of care to members.**

# AHCCCS System Overview



90% Managed Care Organizations (MCO)  
(as of October 1, 2022)

10% Fee For Service

12 contracts with 9 unique MCOs

2 primary programs

**AHCCCS Complete Care**

1.9m members  
11.8 billion  
Integrated PH & BH services



**AHCCCS Complete Care Regional Behavioral Health Agreements (ACC-RBHA)**

49k members w/ SMI  
1.4 billion  
Integrated PH & BH services AND BH services only



**Arizona Long Term Care System Elderly and Physical Disability (EPD)**

26k members  
1.9 billion  
Integrated PH, BH & LTSS services



**ALTCS Developmentally Disabled (DD)**

45k members  
3.1 billion  
Integrated PH, BH & LTSS services



**DCS-Comprehensive Health Plan (DCS-CHP)**

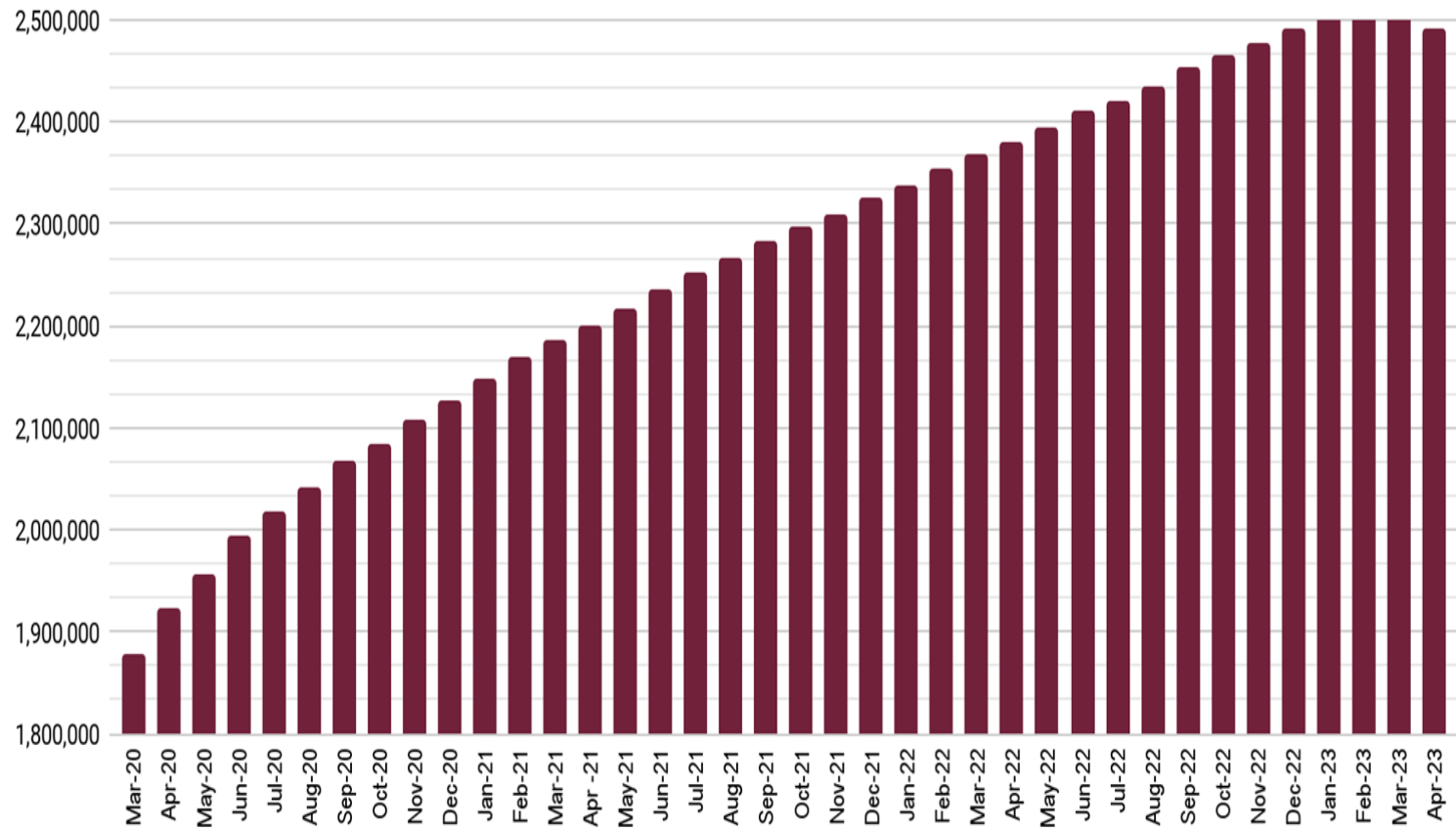
13k members  
217 million  
Integrated PH and BH Services



**ALL**  
135k members  
1.7 billion  
**Tribal ALTCS**  
2.3k members  
160 million  
Integrated PH & BH and LTSS services (ALTCS)



# AHCCCS Enrollment: March 2020 - April 2023



# Examples of AHCCCS Initiatives

# AHCCCS Substance Use Strategies

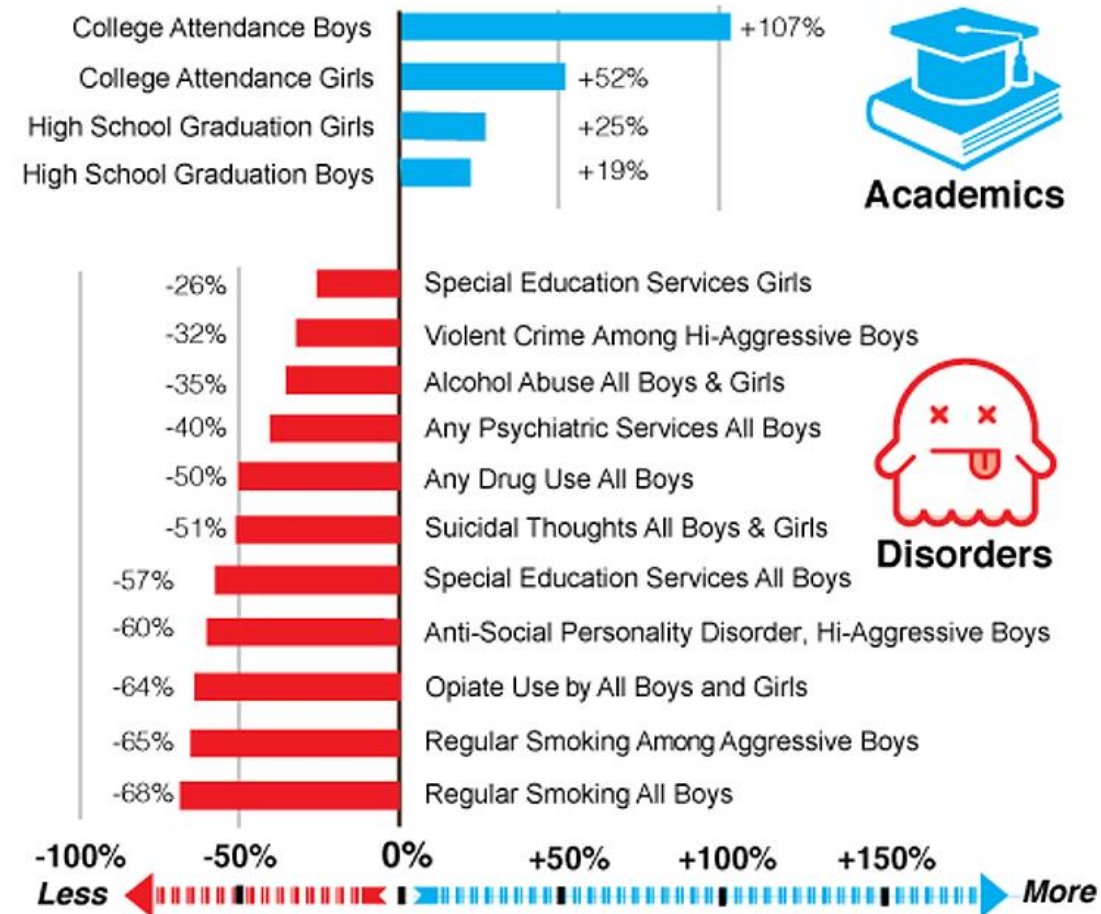


- Primary prevention
- Stigma reduction/public education
- Naloxone, naloxone, naloxone
- Practitioner education
- Identification and navigation to evidence based treatment
  - Recovery/Peer Support
  - MAT

# Prevention—PAX GBG

## Snapshot of Good Behavior Game® Benefits

Computation of Relative Difference = (GBG/Control)-1



# Stigma Reduction Campaign – Women and Substance Use

## General Audience Creative – Hope Heals



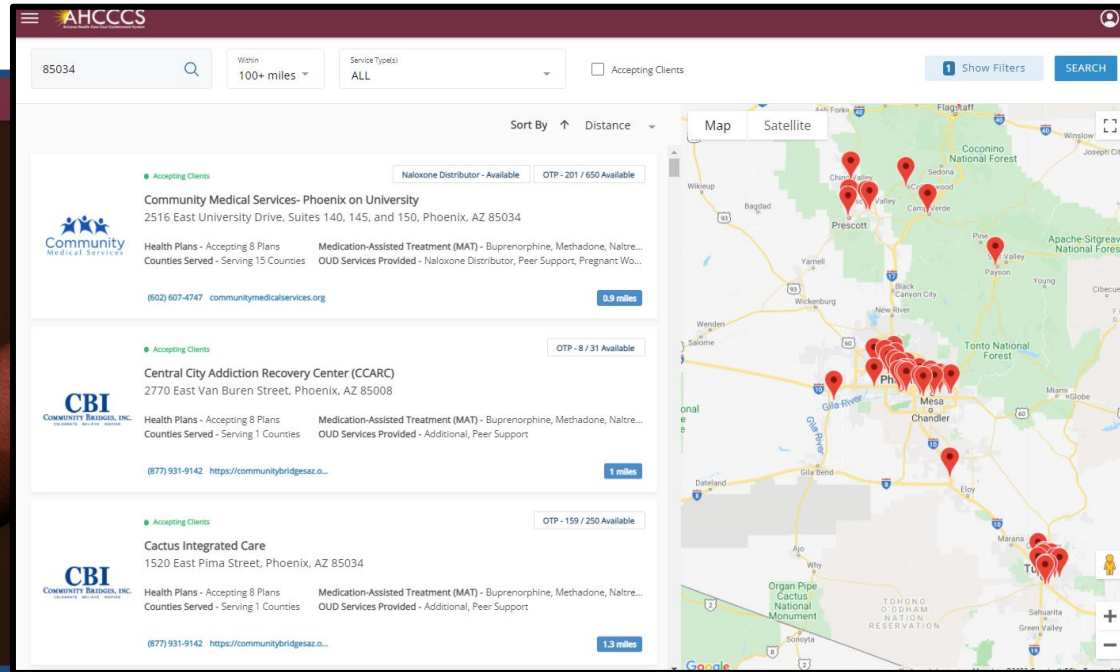
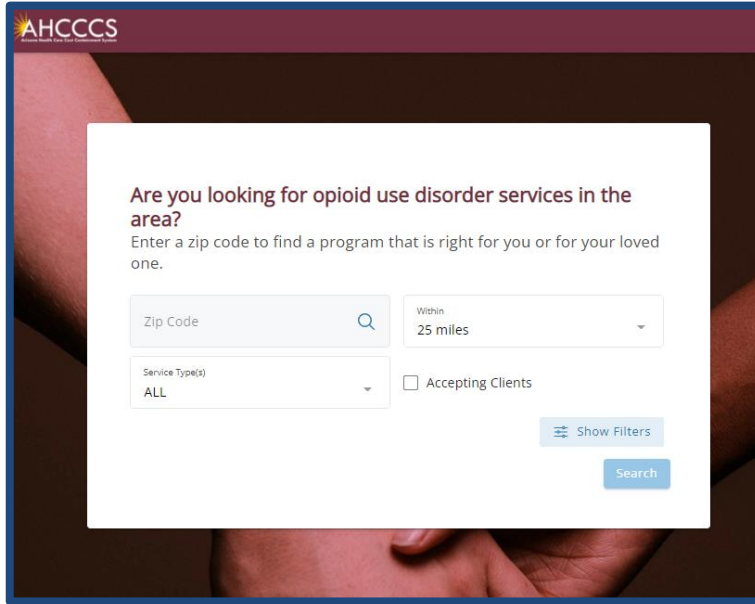
Website: [azhealth.gov/HopeHeals](http://azhealth.gov/HopeHeals)



# ASAM CONTINUUM<sup>®</sup> Implementation

- AHCCCS providers who conduct substance use disorder (SUD) and co-occurring SUD and mental health assessments for MCO-enrolled members aged 18 and older will be required to utilize the ASAM CONTINUUM<sup>®</sup> based on the roll-out timelines established by ASAM CONTINUUM<sup>®</sup> Steering Committee
- Visit the [AHCCCS ASAM CONTINUUM<sup>®</sup> Initiative](#) webpage for more information

# Opioid Use Disorder Services Locator

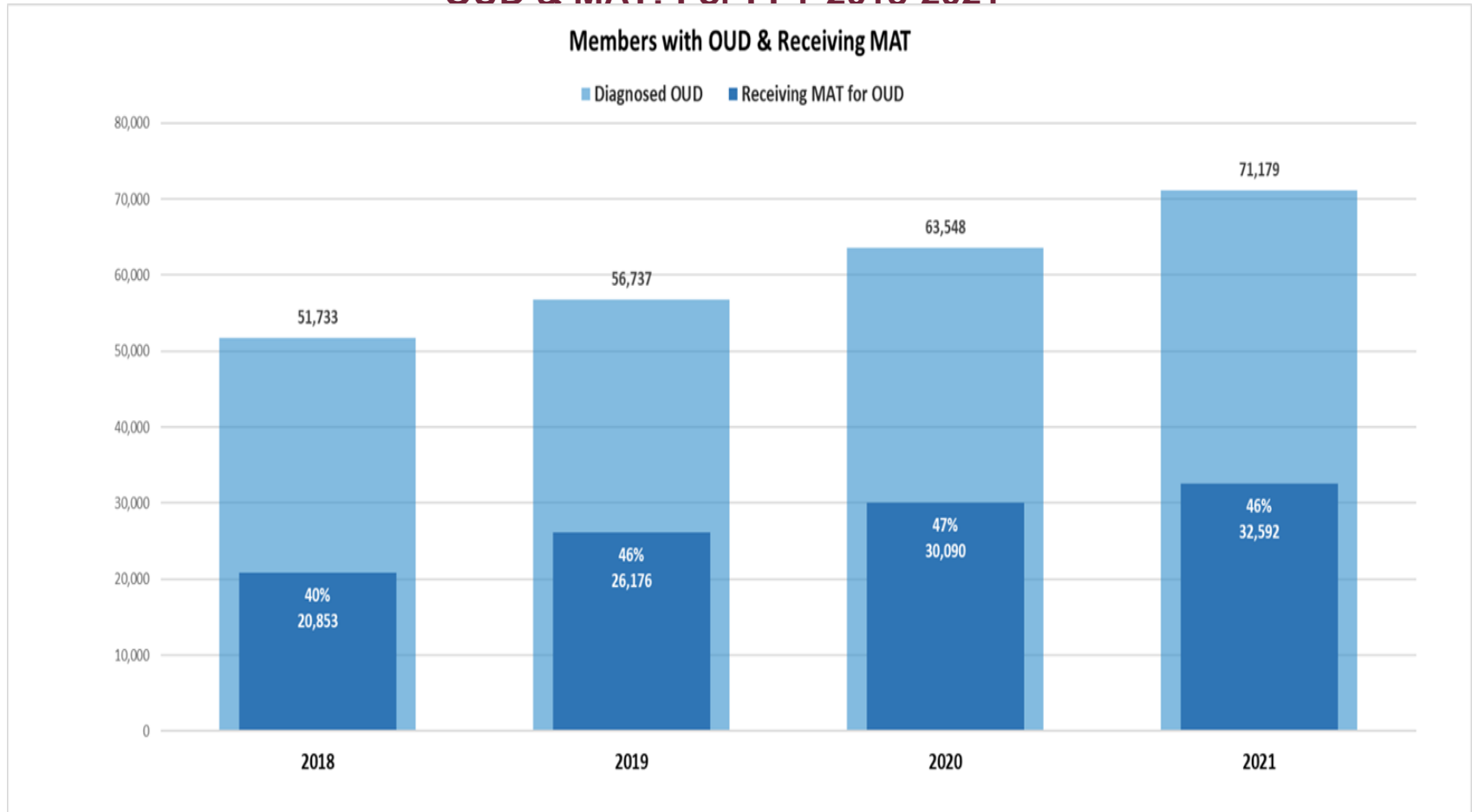


[opioidservicelocator.azahcccs.gov/](https://opioidservicelocator.azahcccs.gov/)

## 24/7 Access Points

<b>Provider</b>	<b>Address</b>	<b>Phone Number</b>
<b>CODAC Health, Recovery and Wellness</b>	<b>380 E. Ft. Lowell Road, Tucson, AZ 85705</b>	<b>520-202-1786</b>
<b>Community Bridges, East Valley Addiction Recovery Center</b>	<b>560 S. Bellview, Mesa, AZ 85204</b>	<b>480-461-1711</b>
<b>Community Medical Services</b>	<b>2806 W. Cactus Road, Phoenix, AZ 85029</b>	<b>602-607-7000</b>
<b>Intensive Treatment Systems, West Clinic</b>	<b>4136 N. 75th Ave #116 Phoenix, AZ 85033</b>	<b>623-247-1234</b>

# OUD & MAT: For FFY 2018-2021



YoY: Percentage Change in MAT



53% increase

26% increase

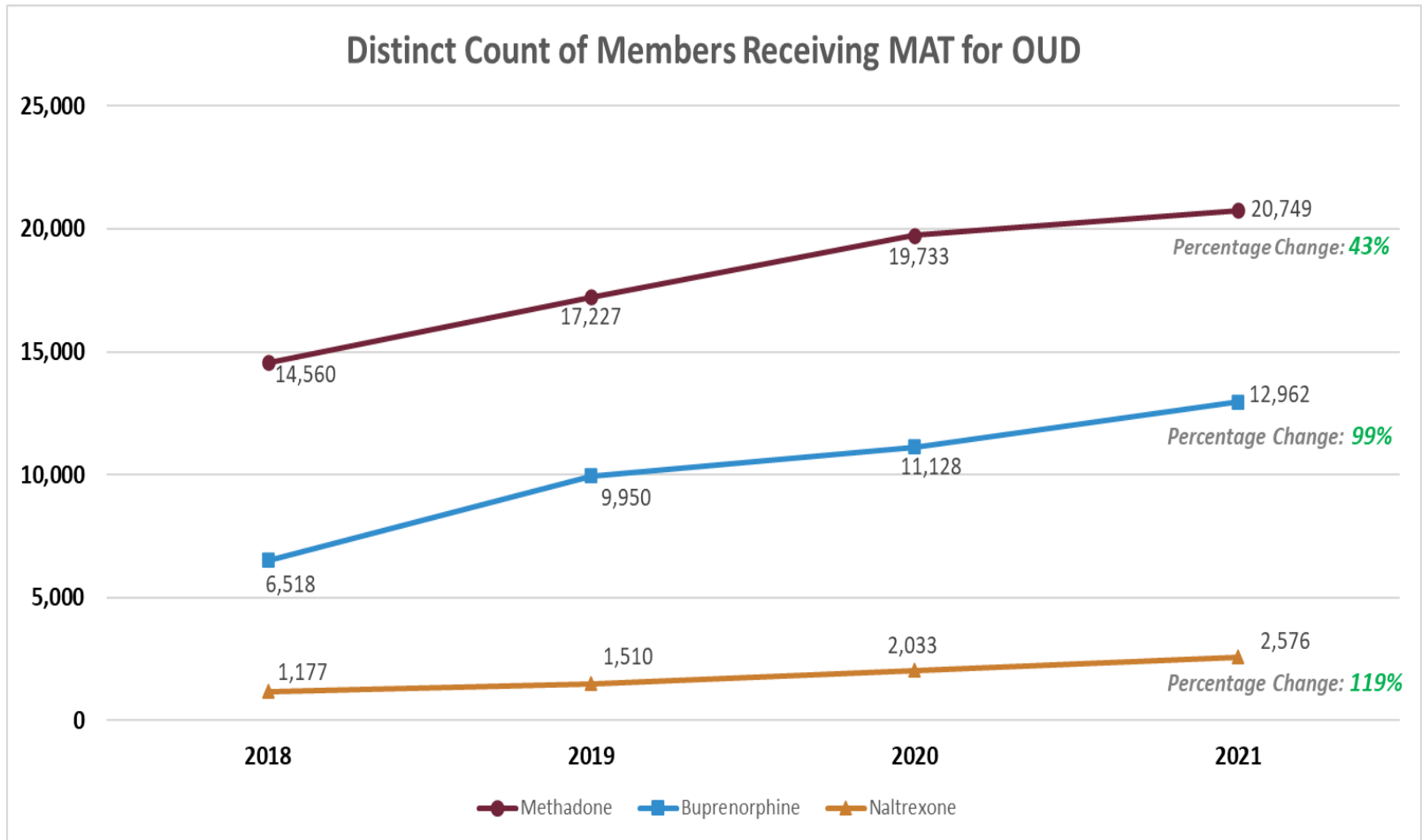
15% increase

8% increase

Overall ▲ 56% Percent Change in MAT from 2018 to 2021

\*Those diagnosed with Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) in any of the first 13 diagnosis positions on a claim or encounter. MAT in this report refers to members diagnosed with OUD and have been prescribed MAT within 90 days of the OUD diagnosis to treat opioid dependence & addiction. The 3 medications of MAT are Methadone, Buprenorphine and Naltrexone. Per NCQA standards, MAT can be administered to individuals aged 16 years and older.

## Count of members with OUD & Receiving MAT\*, By Drug Type (FFY 2018-2021)



Percentage Change - 2018 to 2021

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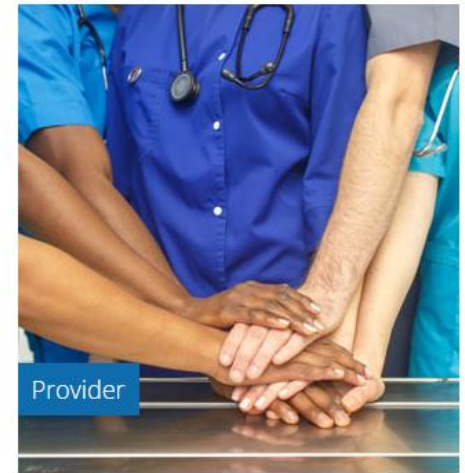
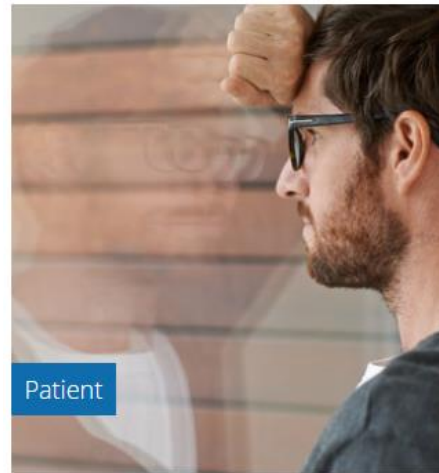


**Need Help With Opioids?  
We Are Always Here.**

Free, confidential hotline:  
1-888-688-4222

Local medical experts offer patients, providers, and family members opioid information, resources and referral 24/7. Translation services available.

Any question. Any concern. Any time.



<https://www.azdhs.gov/oarline/>

# Naloxone Programs

## ADHS

- \$4 million per fiscal year for naloxone distribution
- Distribute to over 450 agencies in Arizona
- County naloxone distribution model
- Order directly from [azdhs.gov/opioid](https://azdhs.gov/opioid)

## Sonoran Prevention Works

- Community based naloxone distribution model
- Provides community education and training on how to administer naloxone including IM formulation
- Contact directly for naloxone and safer use supplies: <https://spwaz.org/get-supplies/>



# EDs with Naloxone Distribution Programs

1. Banner Estrella Hospital
2. Banner UMC-Phoenix
3. Banner UMC-Tucson
4. Tucson Medical Center
5. Valleywise Health-Mesa
6. Western Arizona Regional Center

AHCCCS recently released a [Differential Adjusted Payment \(DAP\) program](#) for naloxone distribution for FFY24—please participate if you are eligible



# Substance Abuse Coalition Leaders of Arizona (SACLAz) Toolkits

