# **Hospitalizations for Opioid Overdose**

Fiscal Year (FY) 2019: July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019

The continued focus on the opioid crisis in the midst of the COVID-19 pandemic is particularly important for people who experience an opioid overdose. These individuals, who often have other chronic health problems or socioeconomic issues, are more likely to suffer from the severe respiratory symptoms associated with COVID-19. Additionally, the stress and isolation commonly experienced during this pandemic increase the likelihood of an overdose occurring.

The hospitalization rates reported include Pennsylvania residents, age 15 and older, who were admitted to a Pennsylvania general acute care hospital for opioid overdose during fiscal year (FY) 2019: July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. This analysis does not include overdoses that did not result in a hospital admission (e.g., those treated with naloxone and/or treated in the emergency department and not admitted to the hospital or overdose deaths that occurred outside the hospital setting).

	FY 2019			FY 2019	
	Number of Hospitalizations	Rate of Hospitalizations		Number of Hospitalizations	Rate of Hospitalizations
Statewide	2,541	23.9	Clinton	NR	NR
Adams	13	15.1	Columbia	11	19.7
Allegheny	239	23.2	Crawford	15	21.2
Armstrong	NR	NR	Cumberland	39	18.6
Beaver	36	26.0	Dauphin	48	21.3
Bedford	NR	NR	Delaware	134	29.0
Berks	84	24.5	Elk	NR	NR
Blair	25	24.6	Erie	46	20.5
Bradford	NR	NR	Fayette	31	28.2
Bucks	151	28.8	Forest	NR	NR
Butler	23	14.6	Franklin	14	11.1
Cambria	22	19.8	Fulton	NR	NR
Cameron	NR	NR	Greene	NR	NR
Carbon	15	27.7	Huntingdon	NR	NR
Centre	NR	NR	Indiana	10	13.9
Chester	75	17.6	Jefferson	NR	NR
Clarion	NR	NR	Juniata	NR	NR
Clearfield	15	22.2	Lackawanna	28	16.0

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	Number of Hospitalizations	Rate of Hospitalizations		Number of Hospitalizations	Rate of Hospitalizations
Lancaster	72	16.5	Pike	NR	NR
Lawrence	26	36.0	Potter	NR	NR
Lebanon	23	20.0	Schuylkill	31	26.0
Lehigh	81	27.0	Snyder	NR	NR
Luzerne	68	25.5	Somerset	NR	NR
Lycoming	17	18.0	Sullivan	NR	NR
McKean	NR	NR	Susquehanna	NR	NR
Mercer	26	27.8	Tioga	NR	NR
Mifflin	NR	NR	Union	NR	NR
Monroe	19	13.3	Venango	NR	NR
Montgomery	131	19.2	Warren	NR	NR
Montour	NR	NR	Washington	23	13.2
Northampton	49	19.2	Wayne	NR	NR
Northumberland	20	26.1	Westmoreland	74	24.8
Perry	NR	NR	Wyoming	NR	NR
Philadelphia	582	45.0	York	113	30.8

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Rates were calculated using PHC4 data and US Census Bureau data.

NR: Not reported due to low volume.

#### **About PHC4**

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