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# OPIOID PRESCRIBING IN THE ED: A REPORT

## Opioid Prescribing in the ED

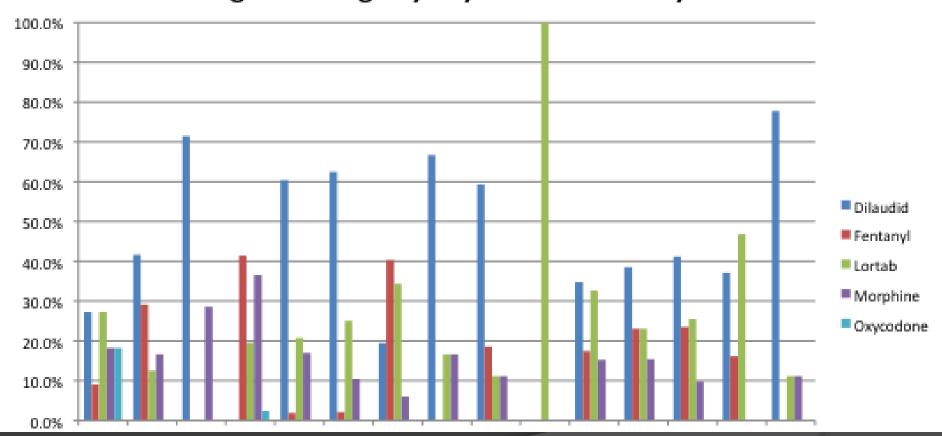
- Modeled after Swedish Hospital in Colorado and Baptist Memorial Hospital in Memphis
- Analyzed over 5 months from November to March
- Converted opioids to milligram morphine equivalents (MME)
- Evaluated by month, by prescriber, and the overall trend

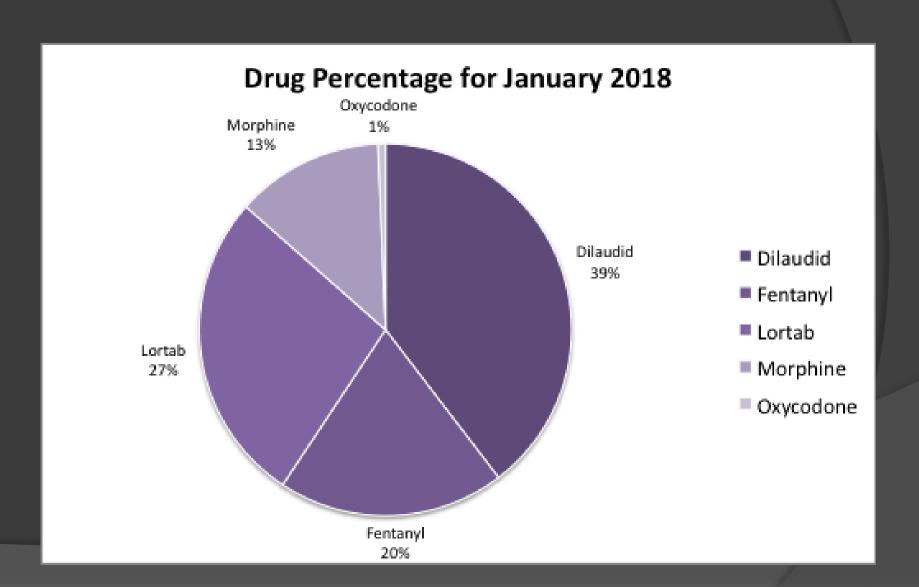
## **Equivalency Charts**

Opioids	Equivalency Factor	MME
Codeine 12 mg	0.15	1.8
Fentanyl 25 mcg	2.4	60
Fentanyl 50 mcg	2.4	120
Fentanyl 100 mcg	2.4	240
Lortab 5 mg	1	5
Lortab 10 mg	1	10
Dilaudid 0.5 mg IV	20	10
Dilaudid 1 mg IV	20	20
Dilaudid 2 mg PO	4	8
Morphine 1 mg IV	3	3
Morphine 2 mg IV	3	6
Morphine 10 mg PO	1	10
Oxycodone 5 mg	1.5	7.5
Percocet 10 mg	1.5	15

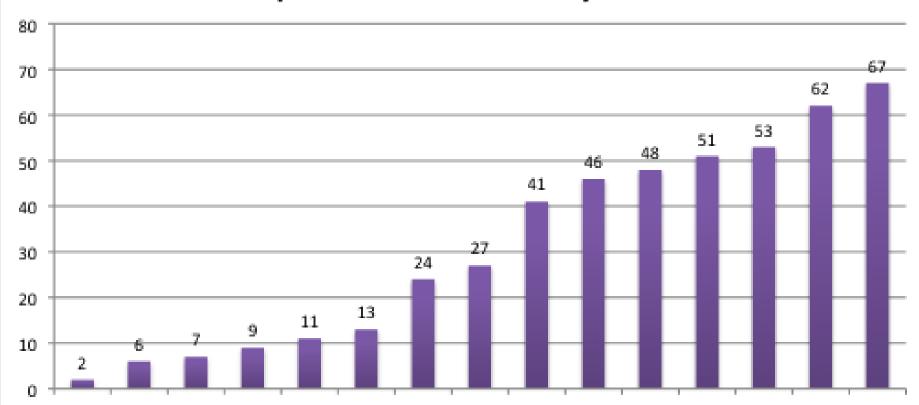
Number of Patients Seen	2,482 patients		
Number of Opioids	467 opioids		
Total MMEs	19,226.5 MMEs		
Definition: value assigned to opioids to represent their relative potencies			
Average MMEs	41.17 MMEs		
Equivalent to ~4 tablets of Lortab 10 mg			
Total MMEs per Patient Seen	7.75		
Explanation: If all 2,482 patients were prescribed an opioid, they would have received 7.75 MMEs, which is equivalent to ~Oxycodone 5 mg.			
Patients Seen per Number of Opioids	5.31		
Explanation: For every ~5 patients seen, 1 opioid was prescribed.			

#### Drug Percentage by Physician for January 2018

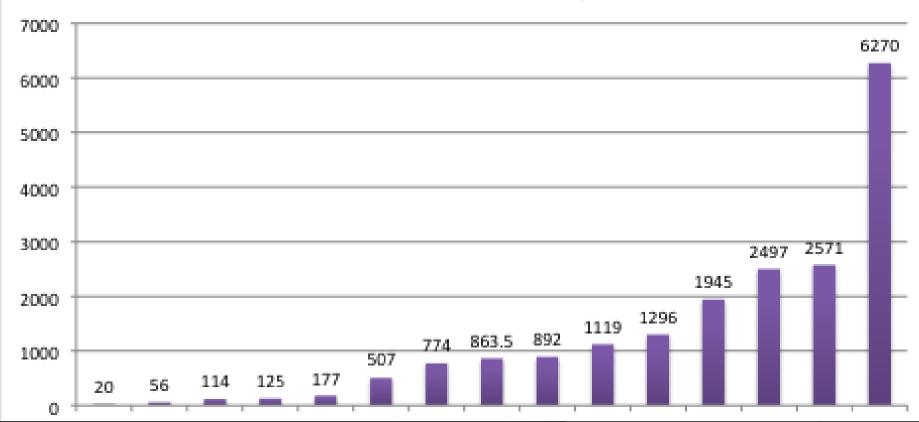




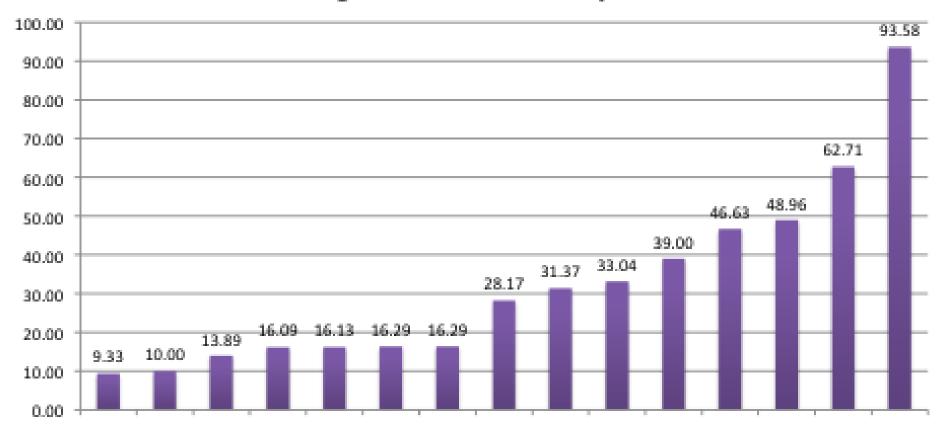


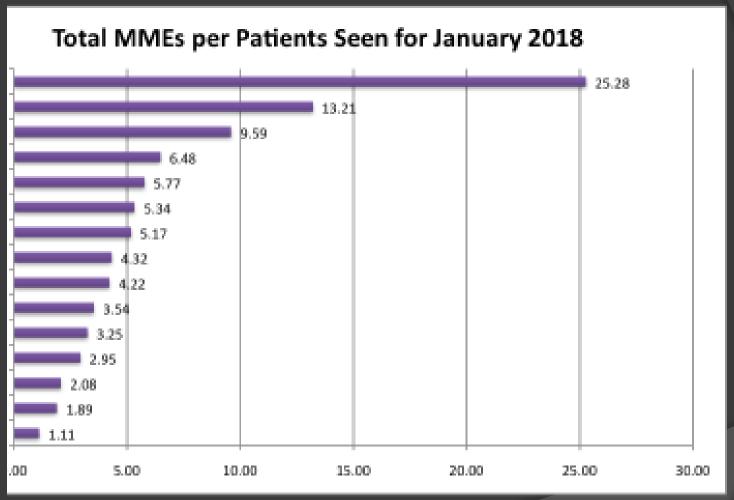




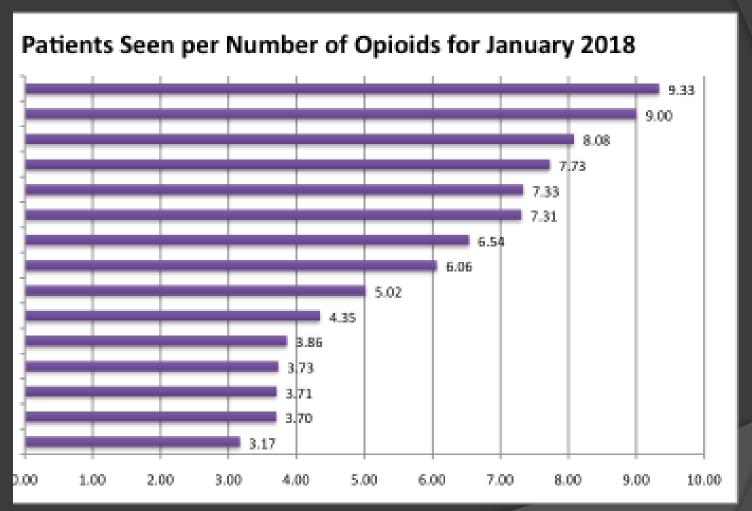


#### Average MMEs for January 2018

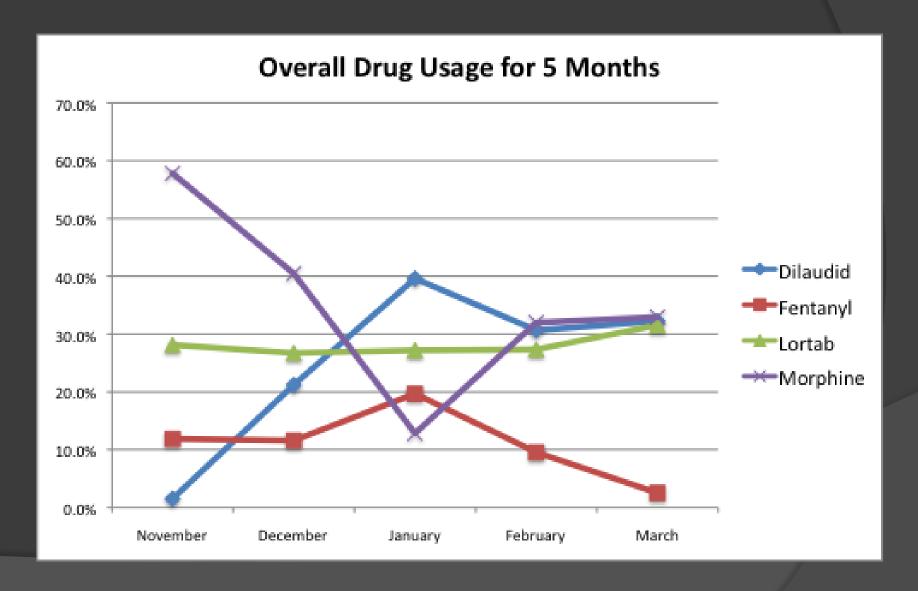


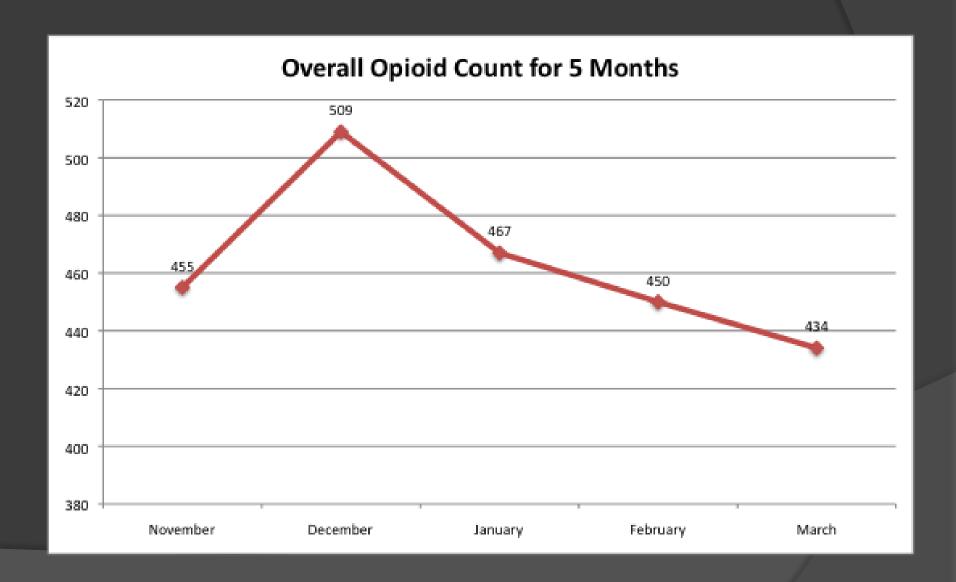


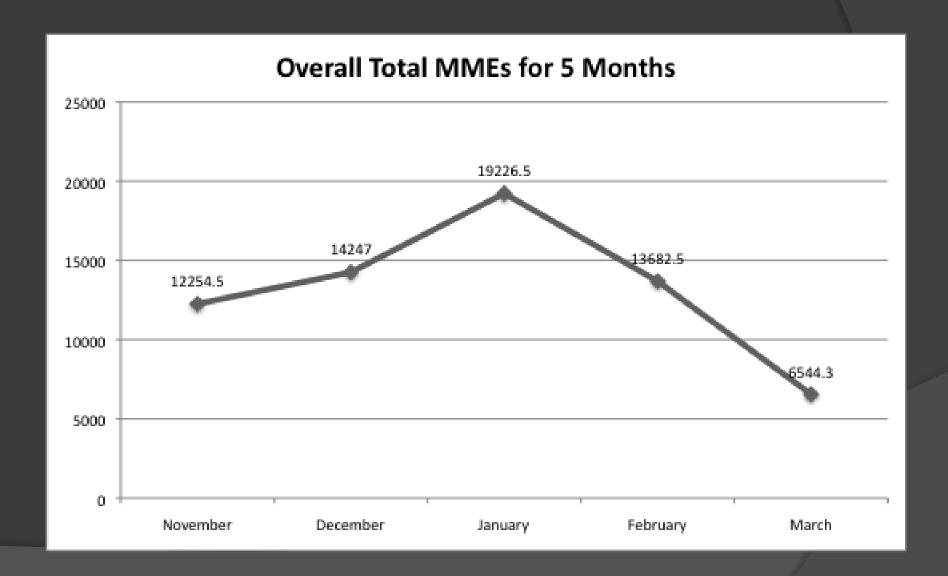
Example: For every 248 patients that Physician "A" saw in January, they prescribed 25.28 MMEs, which is equivalent to ~Oxycodone 15 mg.

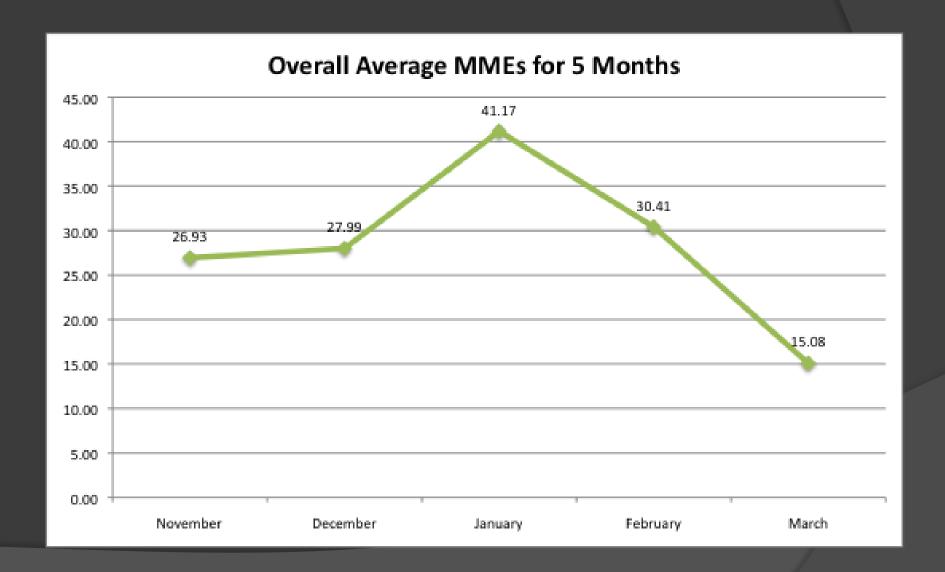


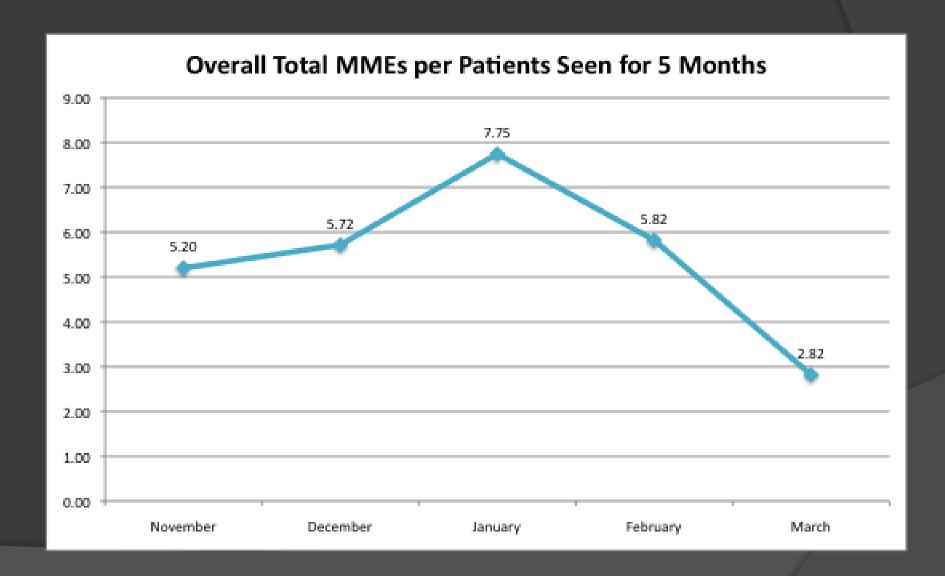
Example: For every ~6 patients seen, Physician "Z" prescribed 1 opioid.

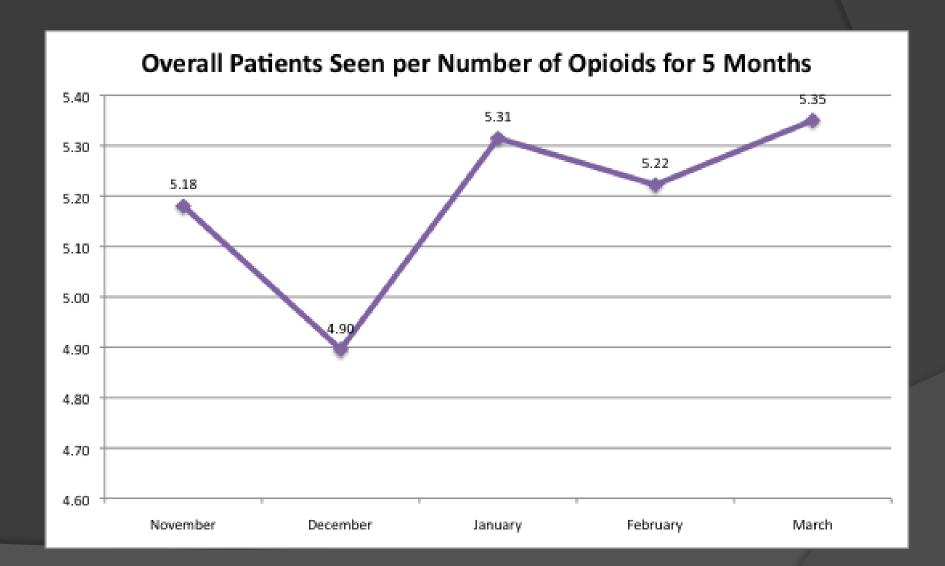












## Overall Results: Summary

#### Total MMEs

- Physician "A" prescribed a total of 16,438 MMEs over 5 months
- Physician "Z" prescribed a total of 1,251 MMEs over 5 months
- Total Opioids Prescribed
  - Physician "A" prescribed a total of 331 opioids over 5 months
  - Physician "Z: prescribed a total of 65 opioids over 5 months

## Overall Results: Summary

- Average MMEs
  - Physician "A" prescribed an average of 53 MMEs over 5 months
  - Physician "Z" prescribed an average of 17
    MMEs over 5 months
- Total MMEs per Patients Seen
  - Physician "A" prescribed, on average, 13.12
    MMEs per every patient seen over 5 months
  - Physician "Z" prescribed, on average, 2.71
    MMEs per every patient seen over 5 months

## Overall Results: Summary

- Patients Seen per Number of Opioids
  - On average, for every ~4 patients seen,
    Physician "A" prescribed 1 opioid over 5 months
  - On average, for every ~11 patients seen,
    Physician "Z" prescribed 1 opioid over 5 months

# Questions?

