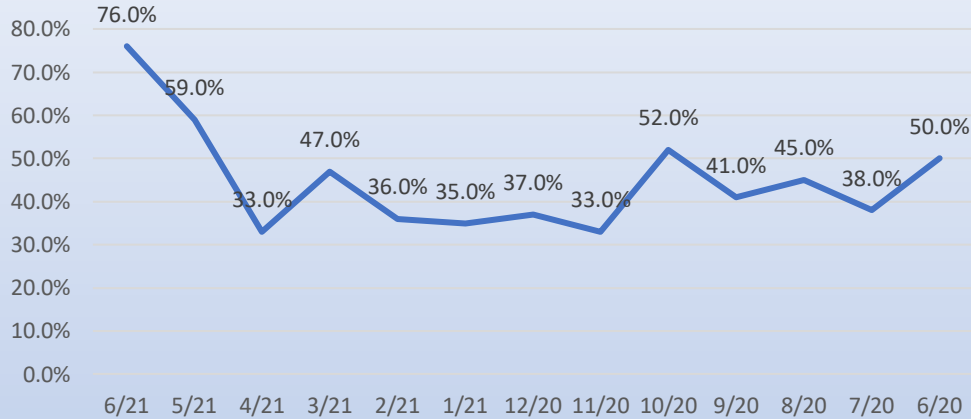
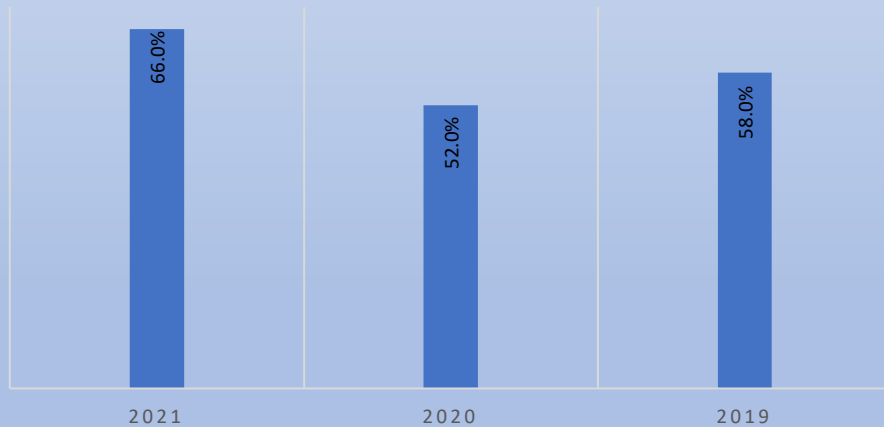


# Improving Substance Use Disorder Treatment Initiatives

Patients with Dx of OUD with Active Naloxone Prescription



INITIATION OF PHARMACOTHERAPY\*



\* As of April 2021, HCHN has seen a 14% increase in diagnosis of AUD with our patients and a 26% increase in diagnosis of OUD with patients.

## Team Communication

**Intervention:** Modified and lengthened morning huddle. Provided time for each team member to share any known updates on individual patients scheduled that day.

**Result:** Allows each team member to have input in patient care recognized. Better team and patient engagement due to the increased communication. Patients are aware that all team members are working together, making team became better equipped to address concerns and barriers at they arise.

## Patient care

**Intervention:** Each clinical team member receives a copy of the Patient Visit Planning report from Azara each morning. The report is highlighted specific to the team member responsible for assessments/interventions identified as missing.

**Result:** Patient care and transitions became more streamlined to move patients from staff to staff as necessary to address identified concerns. Helps to streamline patients visits, while meeting patient care needs.

## Patient follow-up

**Intervention:** The list of the SUD cohort was requested and provided to the behavioral health team (includes a social worker and licensed professional counselor) to assist in identifying those who had not been engaging in behavioral health support in the clinic.

**Result:** The increase in patient outreach with all SUD program participants allows for more consistent and quicker identification of patient concerns and barriers. Allows the team to address and provide interventions in real time.

## Harm –Reduction

**Intervention:** Review of Azara report showed a lower number of program participants still had an active naloxone prescription. This was discussed during a team huddle.

**Result:** Increase in number of patients with an active naloxone prescription to reduce the risk of overdose death.