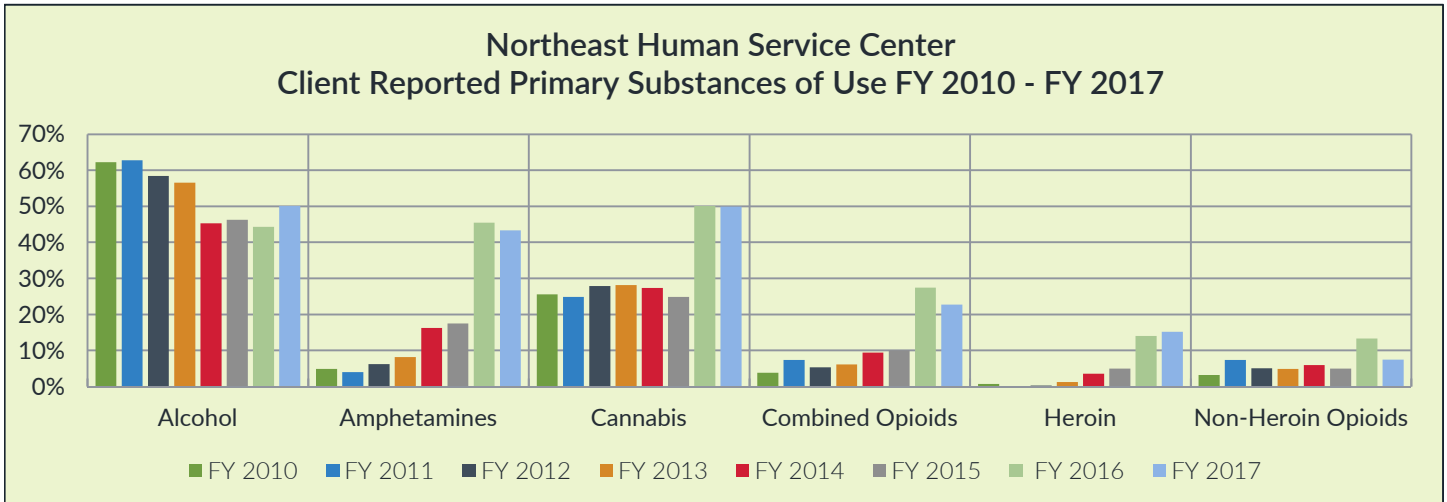


Health Impact of Substance Use in Grand Forks

Addiction treatment providers have seen an increase in clients seeking treatment for methamphetamine use. Methamphetamine use has remained a constant, and now rising, concern as focus is shifted towards addressing the opioid epidemic.



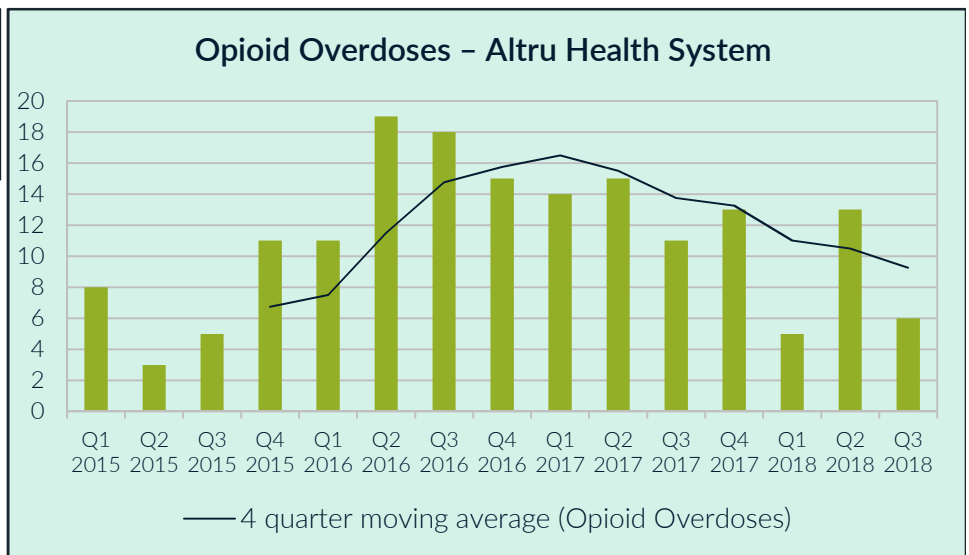
Opioid Overdose Deaths

2016	2017	2018
3	4	3

In Grand Forks, there has been a **decrease in opioid overdoses and overdose deaths.**

This decrease is attributed, in part, to the ability to respond to the crisis **as a community**, thanks to the **Opioid STR Grant.**

The Mayor's Call to Action hopes to continue this work to address other substances of concern.



Recommendations

- **Continue to support funding to address the opioid epidemic.** This funding has been and will be vital to our community's success in addressing the opioid epidemic.
- **Advocate for modifications to opioid funding to allow states to use a portion of the funds to address other substances of concern** such as methamphetamine. This modification would allow additional access to evidence based addiction care regardless of substance of use.

<p>52%</p>	<p>80%</p>	<p>88%</p>
<p>New Hepatitis C cases in North Dakota between 2012 and 2017</p>	<p>Clients at syringe service programs in Fargo and Mandan citing methamphetamine as primary substance of use</p>	<p>Interviewed new hepatitis C cases in Grand Forks County report injection drug use as a risk factor</p>

Opioid Response in Grand Forks

Empowering the Individual | Eliminating Barriers | Enabling Recovery

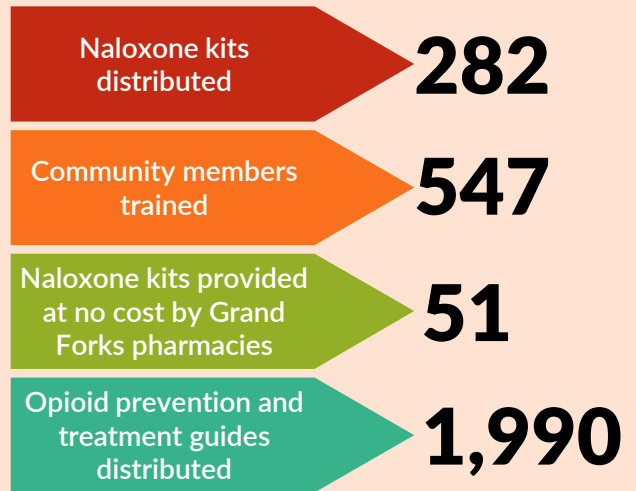


Prevention

Strategies

- Increase access to naloxone for the treatment of opioid overdose
- Provide training on overdose recognition and treatment to community members which may encounter someone experiencing a opioid overdose
- Support standardized screening by pharmacists for everyone receiving an opioid prescription
- Provide resources to assist community providers in referring individuals with substance use disorders that are ready for treatment

In 2018:



Treatment

Grand Forks Public Health has provided seed funding through the Opioid STR grant to four organizations to expand treatment capacity in the community. This seed money has been matched by significant in-kind contributions by each of these organizations.

Sustainable long-term addiction treatment relies on the availability of healthcare coverage.

F5 Project

Assist reentry and provide peer support for individuals involved in the criminal justice system
\$10,000

Face It TOGETHER

Build peer support capacity using their sustainable peer support model
\$29,000

Agassiz Associates

Provide treatment services to inmates at Grand Forks County Correctional Center
\$29,000

Valley Community Health Centers

Increase access to medication assisted treatment
\$79,000

