

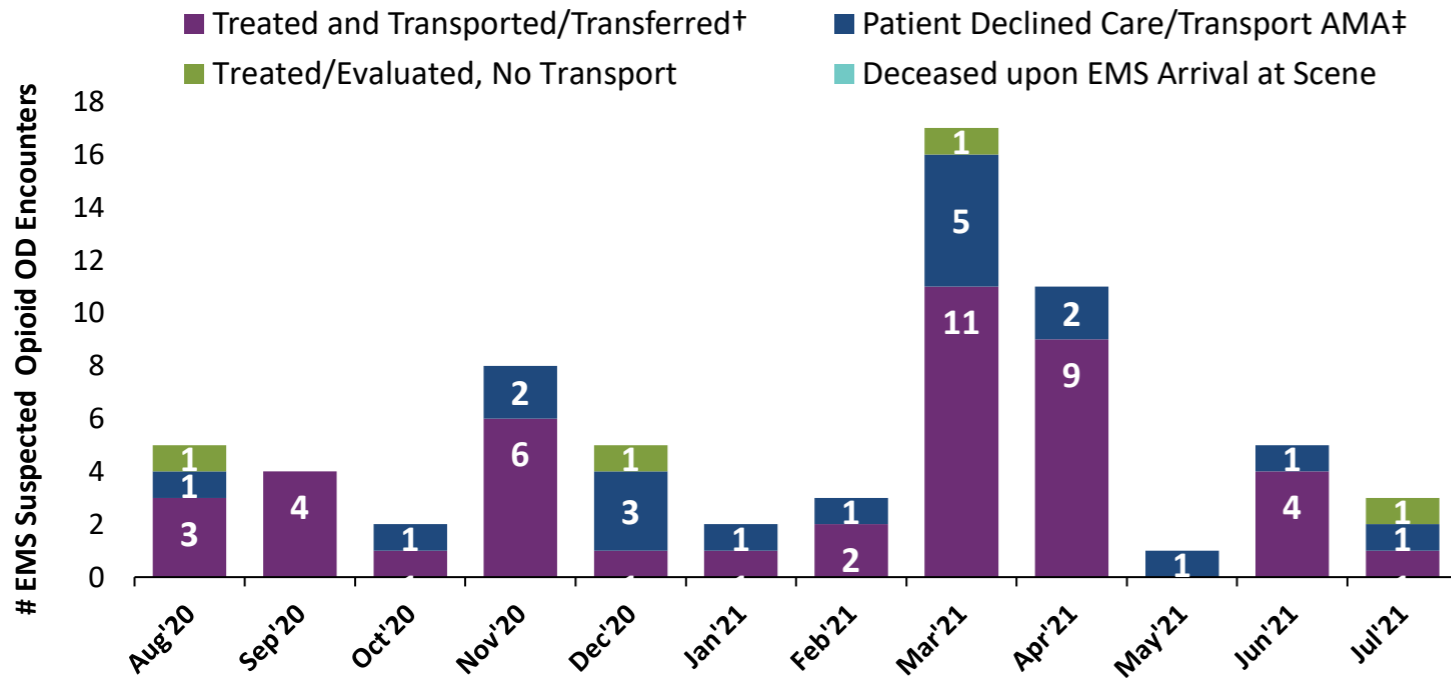
# Cherokee County

# July 2021

## 42

## EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES (EMS) ENCOUNTERS FOR SUSPECTED OPIOID OVERDOSE\*

### EMS Suspected Opioid Overdose Patient Disposition Last 12 Months, Cherokee County, 2020-2021\*



†Transport refers to transport to hospital. Transfer occurs between EMS agencies.  
‡Against Medical Advice

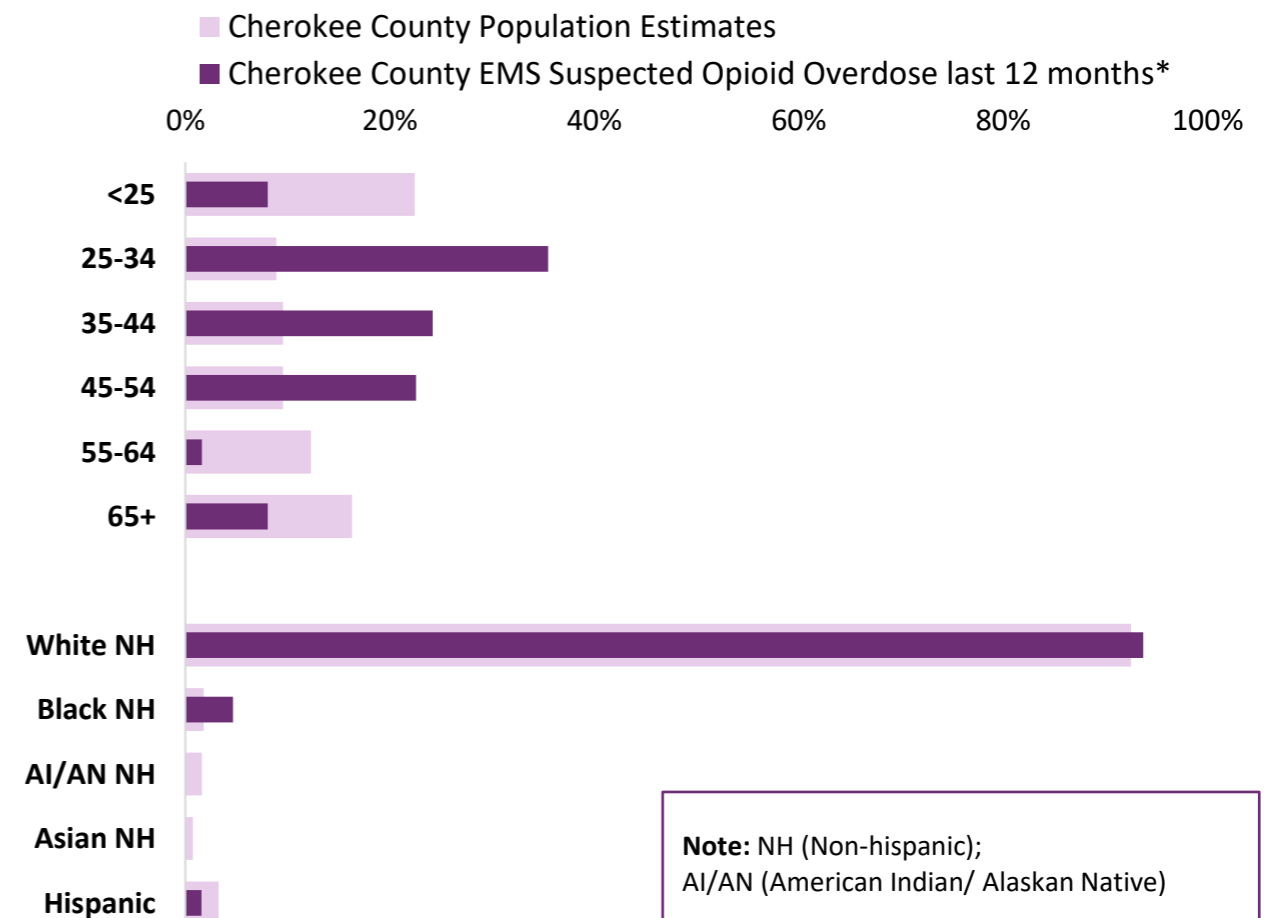
**Note:** Counts based on North Carolina Disease Event Tracking and Epidemiologic Collection Tool (NC DETECT) opioid overdose indicator case definition: patients >11 years old, AND encounters with opioid-related primary or secondary impression AND documented administration of naloxone OR naloxone AND unresponsive keyterms in the narrative.

*Year to date (Jan to Jul 2021), 39 of the 42 suspected opioid overdose encounters in Cherokee County received naloxone, and 38 (97%) had an improved response to naloxone.*

## 42 EMS Suspected Opioid Overdose Encounters in Cherokee County for 2021\* YTD

Compared to **35** Jan to Jul 2020\*

### EMS Suspected Opioid Overdose Encounters by Race/Ethnicity and Age Group<sup>y</sup>



**Note:** NH (Non-hispanic); AI/AN (American Indian/ Alaskan Native)

<sup>y</sup> Overdose percentages that exceed population estimates within a subgroup indicate a population that may be disproportionately impacted.

☐ Data represents patient location at time of EMS encounter

\*EMS data are provisional and should not be considered final. All "EMS Opioid OD" counts reflect *suspected* opioid overdose encounters, based on the 'Opioid Overdose' EMS Indicator developed by NC DETECT. **Population Data**-U.S. Census Bureau,

