



## NCSL Opioid Policy Fellows Kickoff

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**CDC'S INJURY CENTER**

### KEEPING PEOPLE SAFE

Injuries and violence harm Americans every day.

In the United States, injury is the leading cause of death for children and adults ages 1-44. Each year, injuries and violence lead to about:

- 27 MILLION** emergency room visits
- 2.5 MILLION** people hospitalized
- MORE THAN 200,000** deaths, or 1 person every 3 minutes
- \$671 BILLION** in lifetime medical care and lost productivity costs

CDC's Injury Center is the leading expert on protecting people, saving lives, and reducing the costs of injuries and violence. We focus on preventing unintentional injuries and violence by leading:

- SPRING OVERDOSES
- WORKING
- WATER VEHICLE INJURIES
- TRAUMATIC BRAIN INJURIES
- WOMEN'S AGILITY CHILDREN

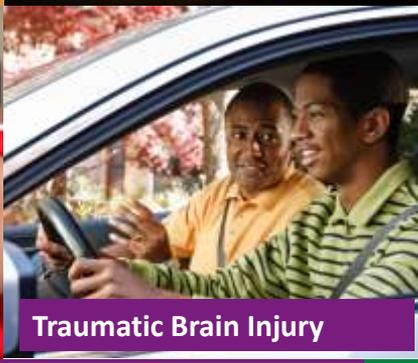
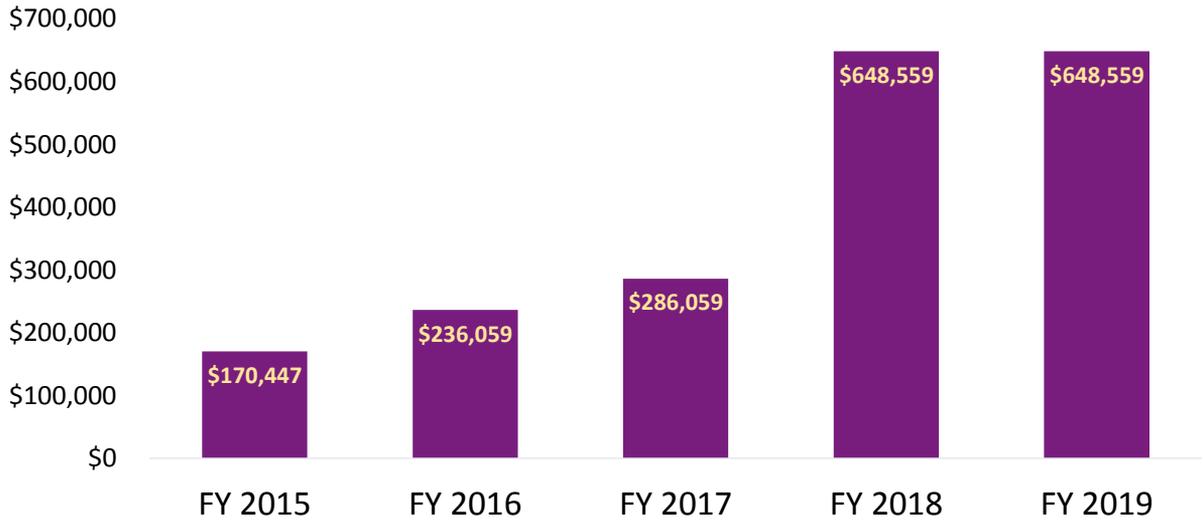


### Our Mission

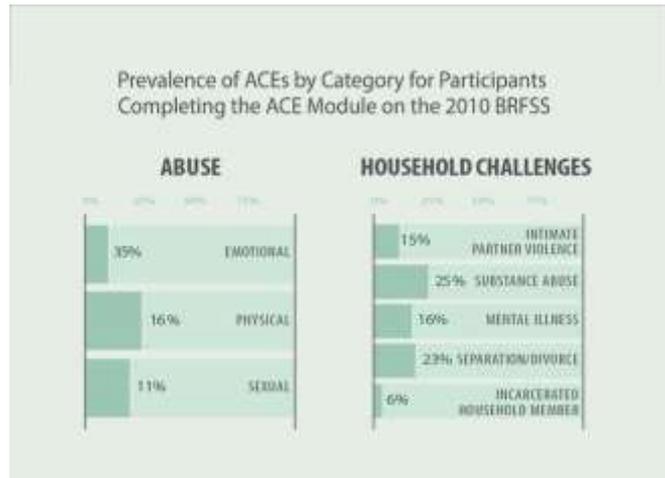
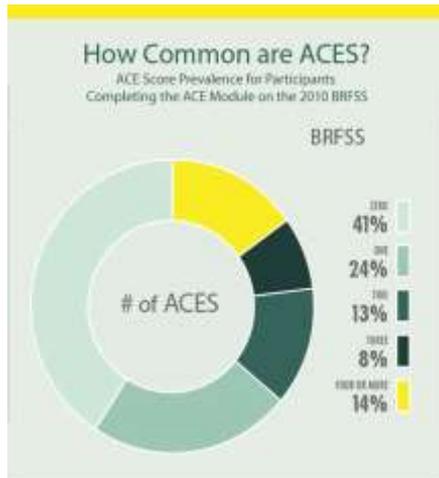
To prevent injuries and violence through science and action

[www.cdc.gov/injury](http://www.cdc.gov/injury)

## Injury Appropriation (in millions)



# Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)



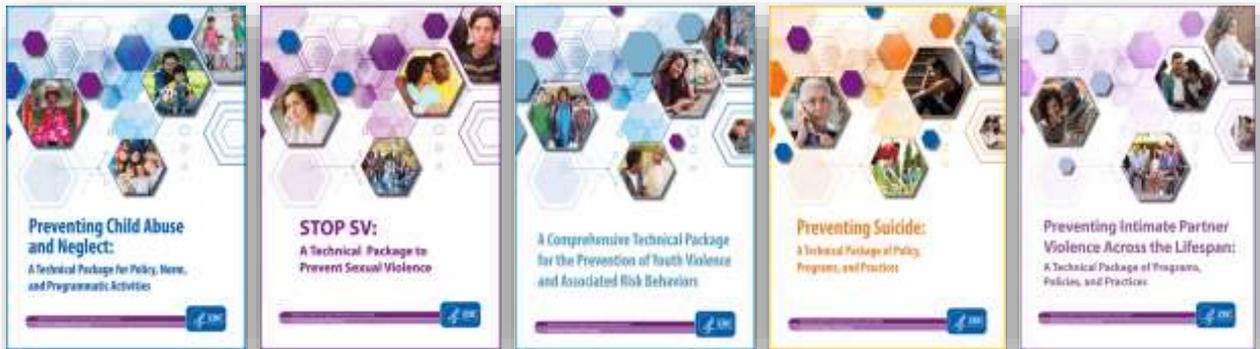
# Suicide Vital Signs

Suicide rates rose across the US from 1999 to 2016.



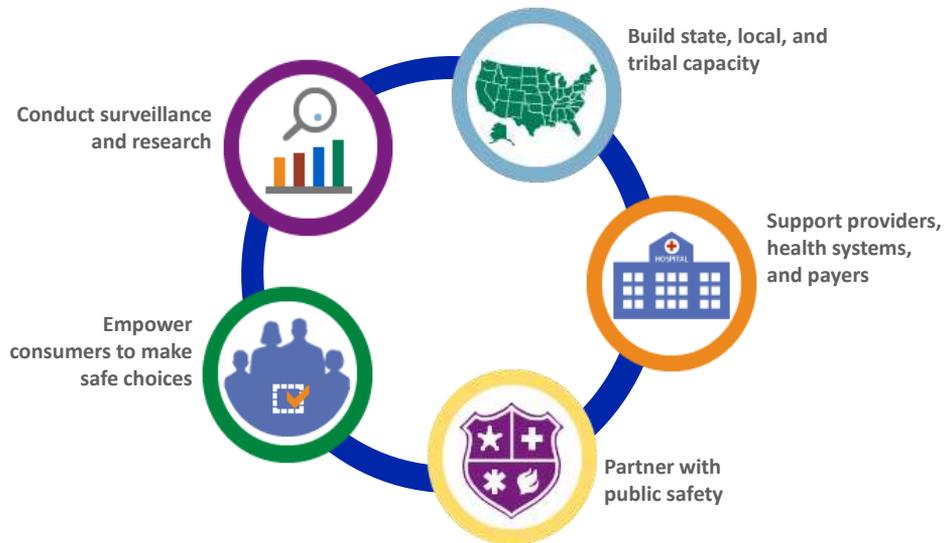
SOURCE: CDC's National Vital Statistics System; CDC Vital Signs, June 2018.

# Helping States and Communities Take Advantage of the Best Available Evidence



<https://www.cdc.gov/violenceprevention/pub/technical-packages.html>

# CDC's Approach: Opioid Overdose Prevention







## Insurer and Health Systems Interventions

1

Cover evidence-based non-pharmacologic therapies like exercise and cognitive behavioral therapy

2

Make it easier to prescribe non-opioid pain medications

3

Reimburse patient counseling, care coordination, and checking PDMP

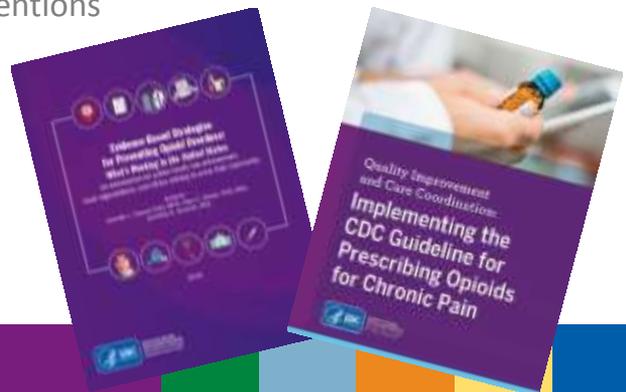
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Promote more judicious use of high dosages of opioids using drug utilization review and prior authorization

5

Remove barriers to evidence-based treatment of opioid use disorder

- Collaboration across state and local government
- Scaling up innovative and promising practices
- Implementing evidence based interventions
- Multisector engagement
- Connecting the dots



## Opportunities Ahead

## A Look Ahead

- Leverage all public health prevention activities to predict changes and ensure a comprehensive response
- Continue supporting providers through education, training, and provision of resources most needed
- Enhance community-level interventions to target those at highest risk



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