



MEMORANDUM

Date: June 26, 2017

To: The Honorable Chair and Members
Pima County Board of Supervisors

From: C.H. Huckelberry
County Administrator

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "CHH", is written over the printed name "C.H. Huckelberry".

Re: **Opioids and Overdose Deaths**

Attached is a First Quarter 2017 report from the Medical Examiner regarding overdose deaths in Pima County for the period January 1 through March 31, 2017. The report is self-explanatory.

There are no new trends – either increases or decreases – with regard to overdose deaths in Pima County. This data gathering is part of a more intensive analysis associated with opioid overdose related public health issues, as well as overdose deaths in Pima County. Our Chief Medical Officer, Dr. Francisco Garcia, is currently gathering information regarding utilization of emergency departments related to overdoses from alcohol and other substances.

CHH/mjk

Attachment

c: Jan Leshar, Chief Deputy County Administrator
Dr. Francisco Garcia, Assistant County Administrator for Community and Health Services
Dr. Greg Hess, Chief Medical Examiner

FIGURE 5 (F5)

HEROIN BY MONTH 2017*



FIGURE 6 (F6)

FENTANYL BY MONTH 2017*



*01/01/2017 – 03/31/2017

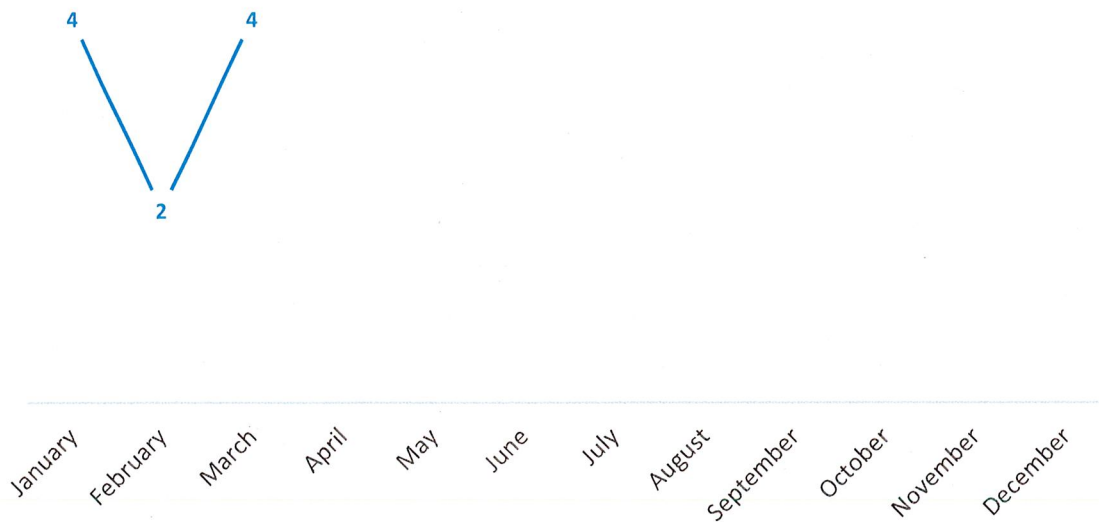
FIGURE 7 (F7)

OXYCODONE BY MONTH 2017*



FIGURE 8 (F8)

MORPHINE BY MONTH 2017*



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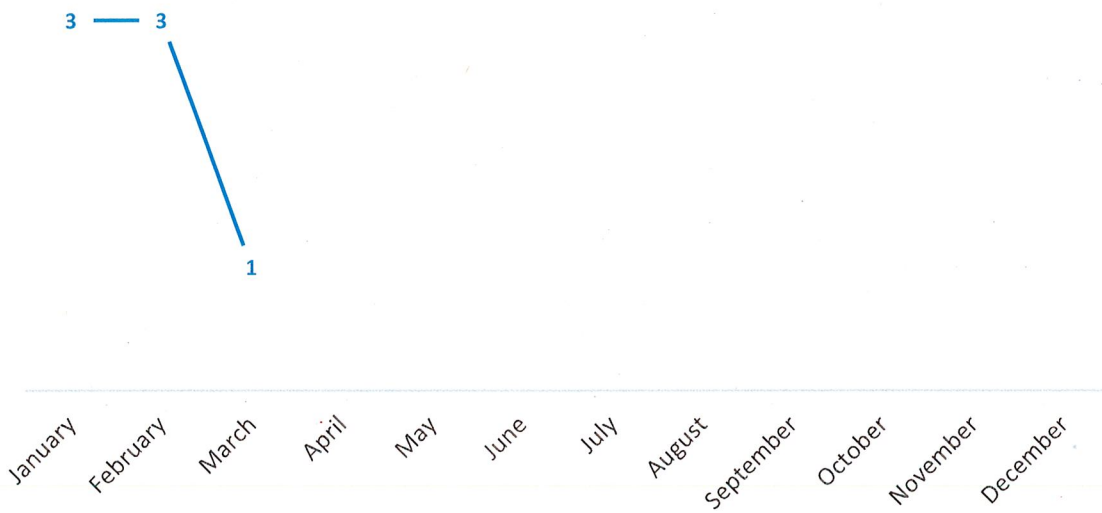
FIGURE 9 (F9)

METHAMPHETAMINE BY MONTH 2017*



FIGURE 10 (F10)

COCAINE BY MONTH 2017*



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FIGURE 11 (F11)

BENZODIAZEPINES BY MONTH 2017*



FIGURE 12 (F12)

ALCOHOL BY MONTH 2017*



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SUMMARY

I do not see any new or alarming trends beyond the norm upon review of these 2017 1st quarter overdose data. If first quarter trends were to be considered a barometer for the remainder of the calendar year, I would project 240 total overdose deaths, approximately 70% of which may involve an opiate compound. This would place the total number of deaths similar to 2013 and 2014 numbers. Please expect to see an updated analysis to include data through the end of June 2017 towards the end of the third quarter 2017.