

SAPC All Treatment Provider Meeting

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Executive Updates

- SAPC Leadership Transition
- Drug-Related Overdose Deaths in LA County Continue to Fall
- Increasing Data Sharing and Coordination with Managed Care

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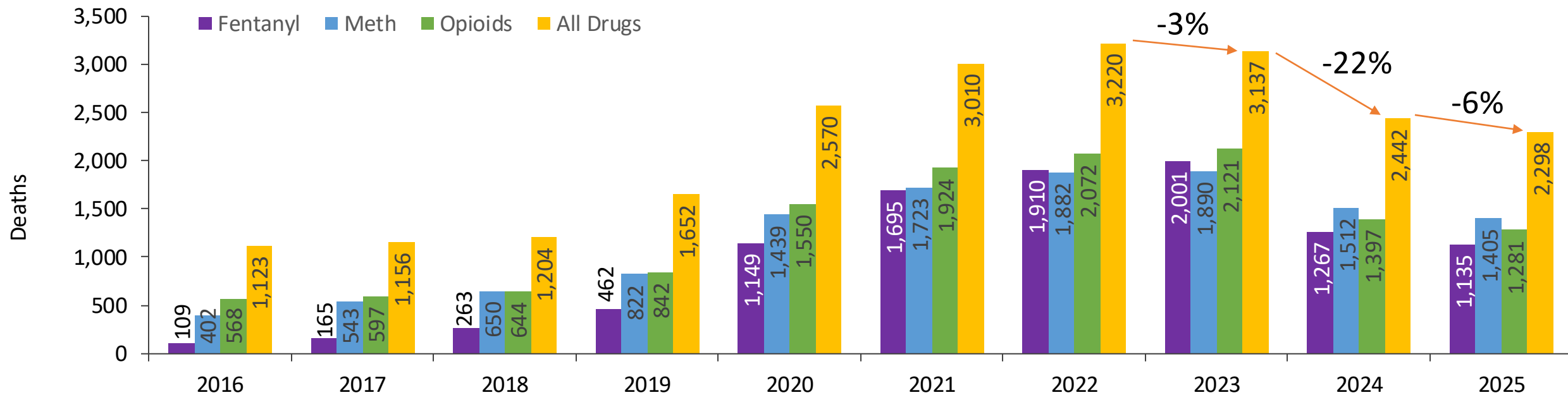
Key Findings: Drug Overdose Deaths, 2025

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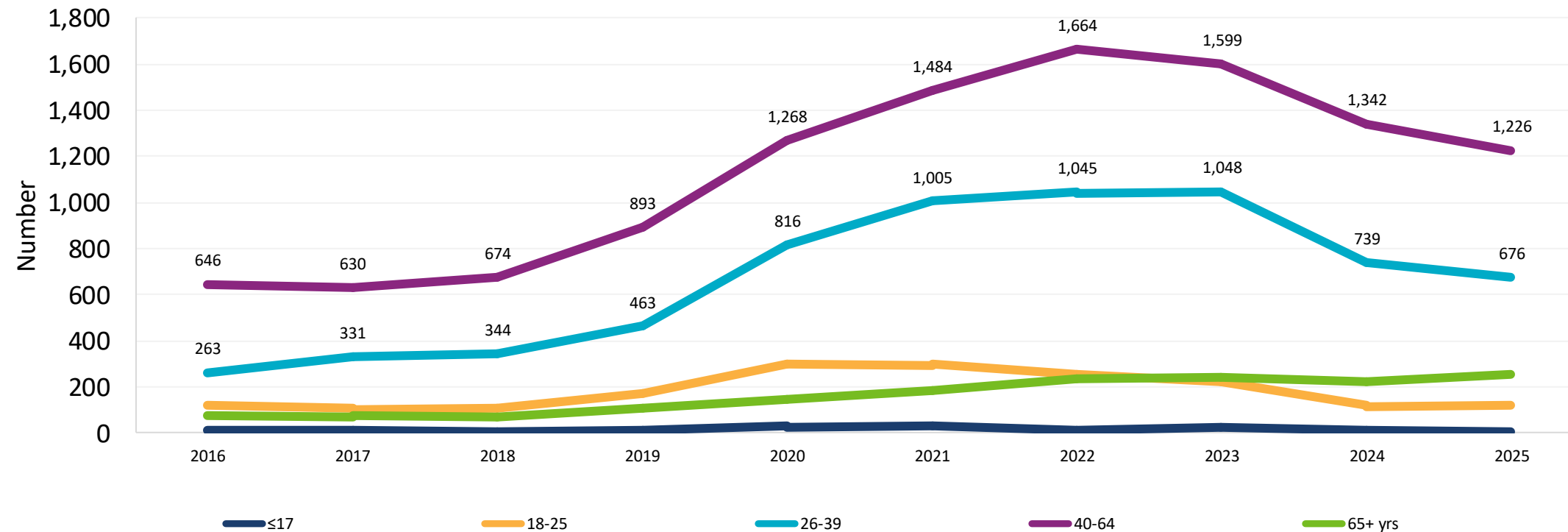


Continued Decline in Drug Overdose Deaths in LA County



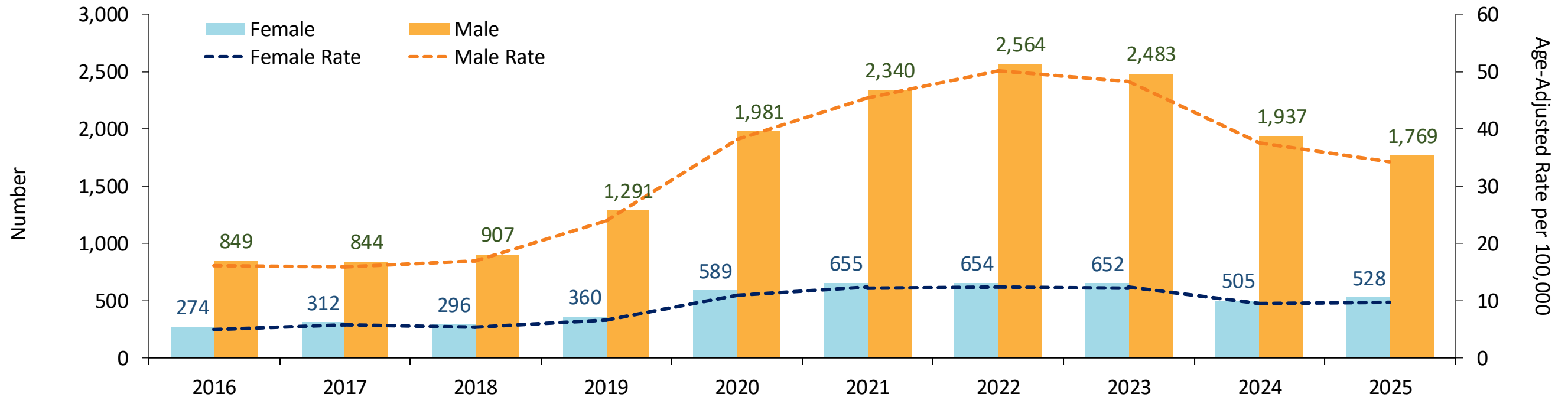
- **3 consecutive years of decreases in drug overdose deaths**
- **Nearly 30% overall decrease in drug overdose deaths from 2022 to 2025**
 - 40% reduction in fentanyl-related deaths
 - 25% reduction in methamphetamine-related deaths
 - Methamphetamine is once again the most prevalent drug involved in drug overdose deaths

Drug Overdose Deaths by Age Group



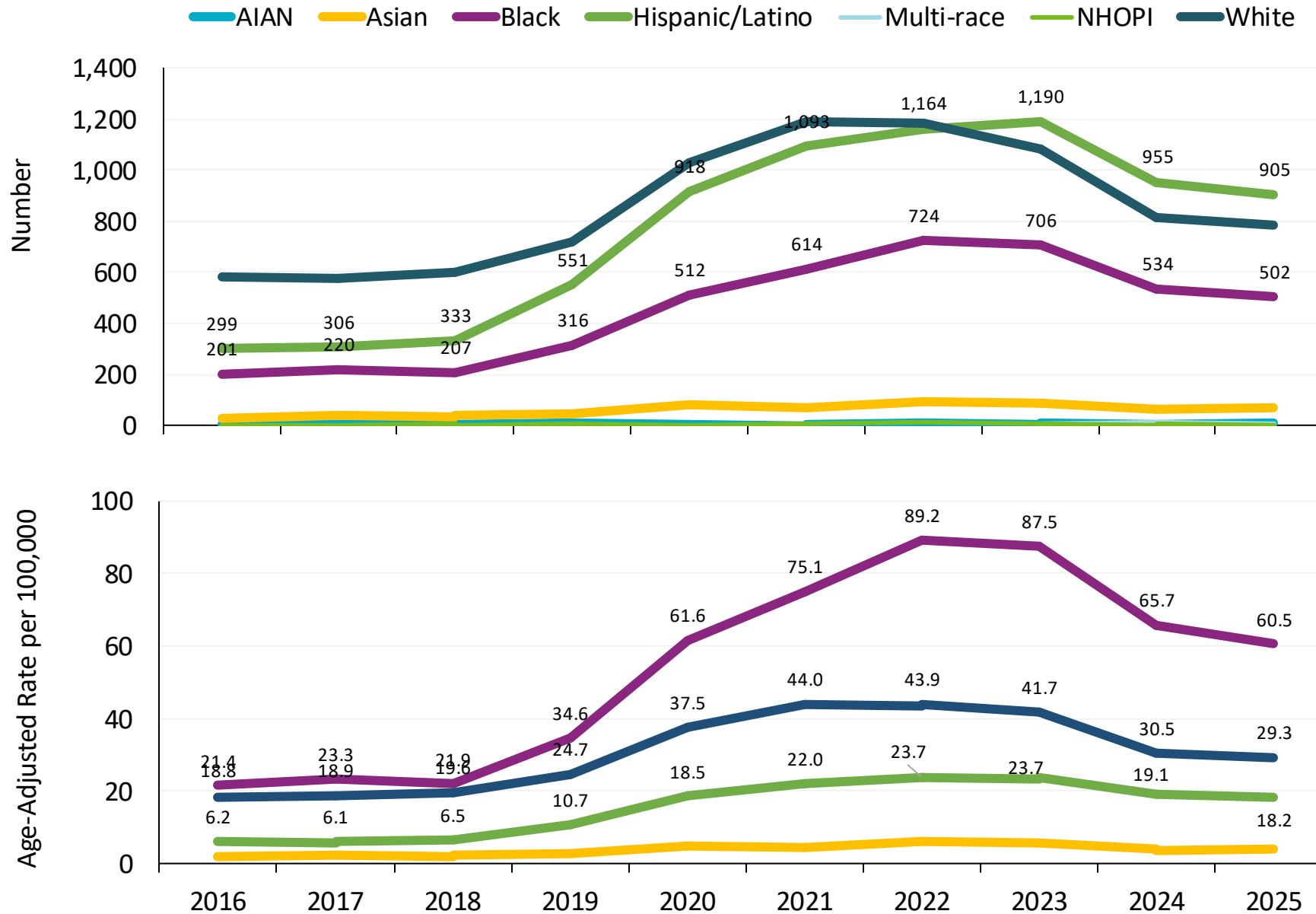
- In 2025, drug overdose deaths occurred most often among adults **ages 40 – 64** (53%), followed by adults **ages 26 – 39** (29%).

Drug Overdose Deaths by Gender



- **Greater reduction in males than females from 2022 to 2025**
 - Drug overdose deaths decreased 31% for males and 19% for females
- **Men continue to account for the majority (77%) of overdose deaths in 2025**
 - The gender disparity remains, with males being 3.5x more likely to die from drug overdoses than females, down from 4.0x in 2024

Drug Overdose Deaths by Race/Ethnicity



- **Black** residents are disproportionately represented in overdose and poisoning death rates
- **Hispanic/Latinos** and **White** individuals represent the highest raw numbers of fatalities

Summary and Take-Aways

- **Overdose deaths continue to decline across Los Angeles County**
 - Drug overdose deaths decreased for the third consecutive year in 2025, resulting in a nearly 30% reduction from the historic peak in 2022.
 - Fentanyl-related deaths declined by approximately 40% during this 4-year period, while methamphetamine-related deaths decreased by 25%, reflecting sustained progress in the County's overdose prevention efforts.
- **Continued commitment is needed to sustain progress**
 - Despite these gains, overdose remains a significant public health challenge, claiming thousands of lives and imposing substantial societal and economic burdens.
 - While fentanyl deaths remain high, methamphetamine is the most prevalent drug involved in overdose deaths, underscoring the need to sustain and expand evidence-based prevention, harm reduction, treatment, recovery support, and data-driven response strategies.

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Medi-Cal Eligibility



Transition to The ASAM Criteria, 4th Edition (ASAM4)



Data Sharing with Managed Care Plans



Behavioral Health Accountability Set Measures

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Managed Care Plans and Behavioral Health Plans/Counties

California's Data Exchange Framework

- [California Data Exchange Framework](#) 
- [CalHHS Center for Data Insights and Innovation Data Exchange Framework Guiding Principles](#) 
- [CalHHS Data Exchange Framework Executive Summary](#) 
- [CalHHS Data Exchange Framework Single Data Sharing Agreement](#) 
- [CalHHS State Health Information Guidance \(SHIG\) Documents](#) 

Data Submission Requirements

- [Managed Care Encounter Data Reporting](#)
- [Medi-Cal Managed Care Letters](#)
- [Medi-Cal Managed Care Boilerplate Contracts](#)
- [Joint statement on Medi-Cal Managed Care Contracts](#)

<http://www.dhcs.ca.gov/data-statistics/managed-care-plans-and-behavioral-health-plans-counties>



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Accountability Sets

Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Priority Measuresⁱ

#	Measure Required of DMC-ODS	Measure Acronym	Measure Steward	Methodology	Held to MPL ⁱⁱ
DMC-ODS Accountable Measures					
1	Follow-Up After Emergency Department Visit for Substance Use—30 Days*	FUA	NCQA	Administrative	Yes
2	Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder*	POD	NCQA	Administrative	Yes
3	Use of Pharmacotherapy for Opioid Use Disorder	OUD	CMS	Administrative	Yes
4	Initiation and Engagement of Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment—Initiation of SUD Treatment*	IET-I	NCQA	Administrative	Yes
5	Initiation and Engagement of Substance Use Disorder Treatment—Engagement of SUD Treatment*	IET-E	NCQA	Administrative	Yes

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