2016 EMS Use of Naloxone Data Brief, January 1 - June 30 SIREN Pre-hospital Data Analysis

About SIREN

The Statewide Incident Reporting Network (SIREN) is Vermont's pre-hospital electronic documentation database hosted by ImageTrend, Inc. According to Vermont State Rule, all Vermont licensed ambulance agencies are mandated to submit electronic patient care reports (ePCRs) within one business day after responding to an incident. There are currently over 360,000 records stored in SIREN, dating as far back as 2009. By 2014, 100% of Vermont based ambulances were reporting NEMSIS Version 2.2 compliant EMS data to the State. First Response agencies are not required to submit incident reports to SIREN, but 14 of these agencies do submit their data to the state.

Total uses of Naloxone by VT EMS agencies in the first half-year of 2016:

Total patients receiving naloxone: 290

Total number of naloxone administrations: 398

* = Less than 6 cases, or potentially identifiable small numbers

Administrations by Age Group		
Age Group	# Administrations	
10 - 19	13	
20 - 29	101	
30 - 39	93	
40 - 49	59	
50 - 59	64	
60 - 69	33	
70 - 79	23	
80 - 89	10	
89+	*	

Administrations by Gender		
Gender	# Administrations	
Female	135	
Male	262	

Route of Administration		
Administration Route	HY1 2016	
Intravenous	179	
Intranasal	108	
Nasal	60	
Intraosseous	37	
Intramuscular	9	
Other/Misc	3	
Inhalation via Nebulizer	1	
Subcutaneous	1	

Patients Receiving Multiple Doses		
# Doses	HY1 2016	
1	206	
2	69	
3	9	
4	4	
5	1	
6	1	

Administrations by County		
County	HY1 2016	
Addison	9	
Bennington	23	
Caledonia	17	
Chittenden	84	
Essex	*	
Franklin	53	
Grand Isle	*	
Lamoille	*	
Orange	*	
Orleans	19	
Rutland	59	
Washington	42	
Windham	40	
Windsor	30	
New Hampshire	6	
New York	*	

EMS agencies in Vermont may carry and use naloxone across all four levels of licensed providers in accordance with the VT Statewide EMS Protocols. Note that indications for use of naloxone, particularly by advanced level providers, may be more expansive than solely for known/suspected acute opioid/opiate overdose reversal.

Data Limitations: If a patient received pre-hospital care for involving more than one data-submitting EMS agency, that patient may be counted multiple times (once for each EMS agency encounter).

SIREN data is entered by Vermont licensed EMS providers from across Vermont. Since there are a large number of providers submitting data, it should be recognized that individual, agency, or even regional tendencies and/or subjectivities in data reporting may exist.

