



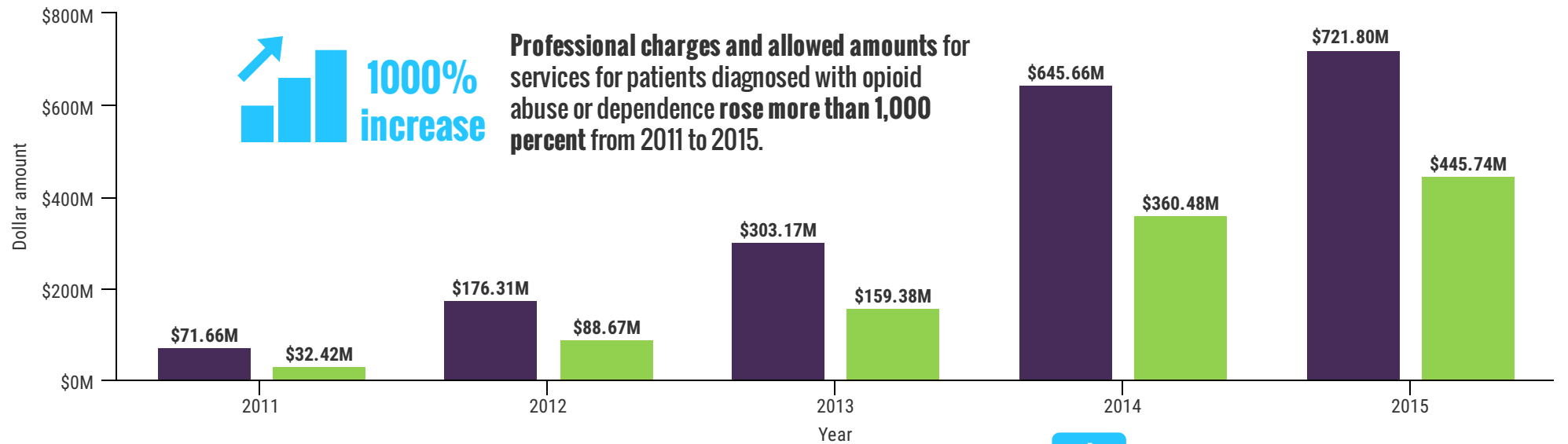
THE OPIOID CRISIS

IMPACT ON HEALTHCARE SERVICES AND COSTS

In the charts below, "M" represents "million."

TOTAL AMOUNTS

Professional Charges and Allowed Amounts for Services for Patients Diagnosed with Opioid Abuse or Dependence



TOP CODES

■ Total charged amount ■ Total allowed amount



An **allowed amount** is the maximum amount an insurer will pay for a covered health service.

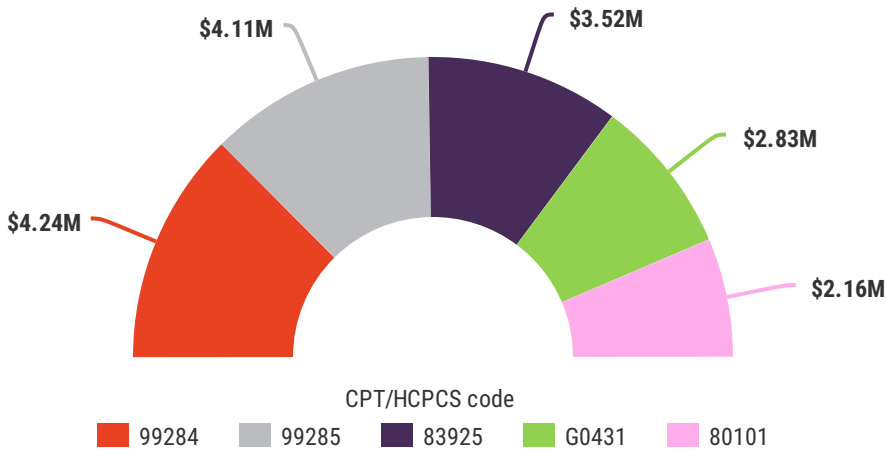


Emergency Department Codes Dominate Opioid Abuse Category

In the period 2011-2014, emergency department codes were the two codes with highest aggregate charges associated with opioid abuse diagnoses, but were not among the top five codes associated with opioid dependence diagnoses.

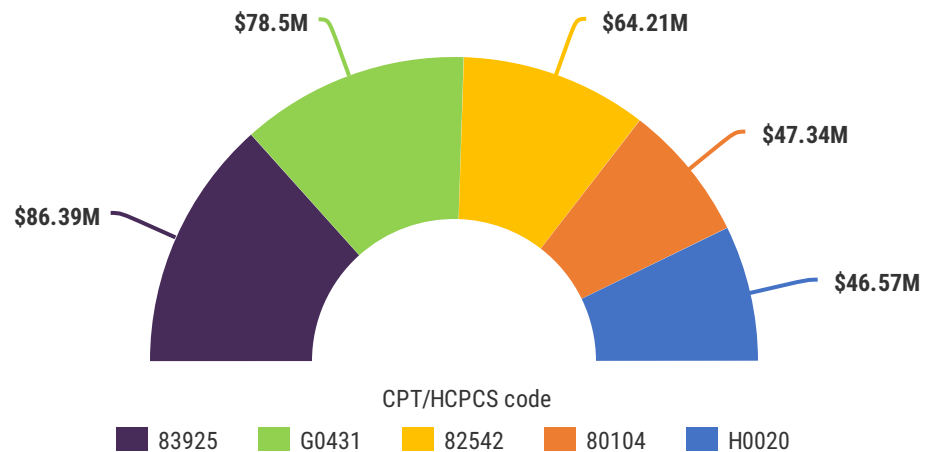
Opioid Abuse

Highest Charges during Time Period 2011-2014



Opioid Dependence

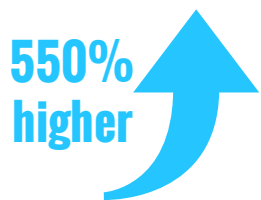
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CPT/HCPCS Code	Description
99284	EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISIT HIGH SEVERITY AND LIFE THREATENING
99285	EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT VISIT HIGH/URGENT SEVERITY
83925	OPIATE(S), DRUG AND METABOLITES, EACH PROCEDURE
G0431	DRUG SCREEN, QUALITATIVE; MULTIPLE DRUG CLASSES BY HIGH-COMPLEXITY TEST METHOD
80101	DRUG SCREEN, QUALITATIVE; SINGLE DRUG CLASS METHOD

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82542	COLUMN CHROMATOGRAPHY/MASS SPECTROMETRY NONDRUG ANALYTE
80104	DRUG SCREEN, QUALITATIVE; MULTIPLE DRUG CLASSES
H0020	ALCOHOL AND/OR DRUG SERVICES; METHADONE ADMINISTRATION AND/OR SERVICE

PER-PATIENT AMOUNTS



In 2015, total annual per-patient charges and allowed amounts for services for patients with opioid abuse or dependence diagnoses were more than 500 percent higher than per-patient charges and allowed amounts based on all patients' charges.

Average Per-Patient Charges for Services for All Patients and for Patients with Opioid Abuse or Dependence Diagnoses

