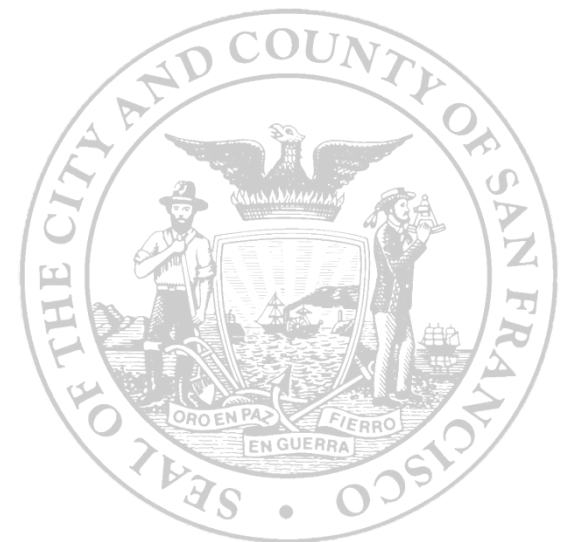


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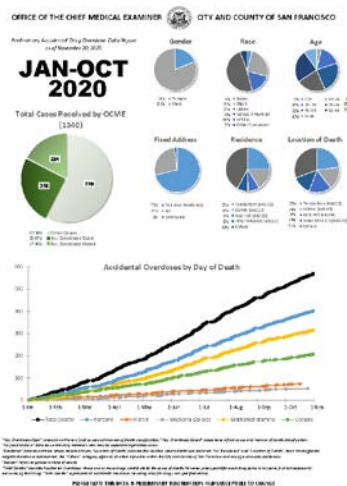
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**Chief Forensic Toxicologist**  
**Director, Forensic Laboratory Division**

December 10, 2020  
Public Safety and Neighborhood Services  
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# Ordinance Requiring Overdose Death Reporting

- Overdose Reports to Mayor, Board of Supervisors, and Director of Health
  - a. Overdose Death Report Form
  - b. Four-monthly reporting requirement
  - c. Demographic data collected



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**Overdose Death Reporting Form**

The purpose of this form is to comply with the reporting of overdose deaths pursuant to Article 4, Section 227 of the City and County of San Francisco's Health Code. The form will be utilized to assist with Article 4, Section 227(c) reporting of fatal overdoses to the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, and Department of Public Health. This form will be kept electronically with the case file.

**Demographic Information**

Race:  Asian - Chinese  Asian - Filipino  Asian - Japanese  Asian or Pacific Islander  
 Black  Hispanic  Native American or Alaska Native  White  Other (Specify)

Ethnicity:  Hispanic/Latino  Not Hispanic/Latino

Sex:  Male  Female  Not binary  Other (Specify)

Date of Death: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ years - or \_\_\_\_\_ months (under 1 year)

Cause of death: \_\_\_\_\_

Other significant condition: \_\_\_\_\_

San Francisco Residence Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_  In State address  Outside of SF  Unknown

San Francisco Death Location Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

**Drugs Contributing to the Death (Check all that apply):**

Cocaine  Fentanyl  Heroin  Medication  Oxycodone  Methamphetamine  Other

Name of Physician Reporting: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

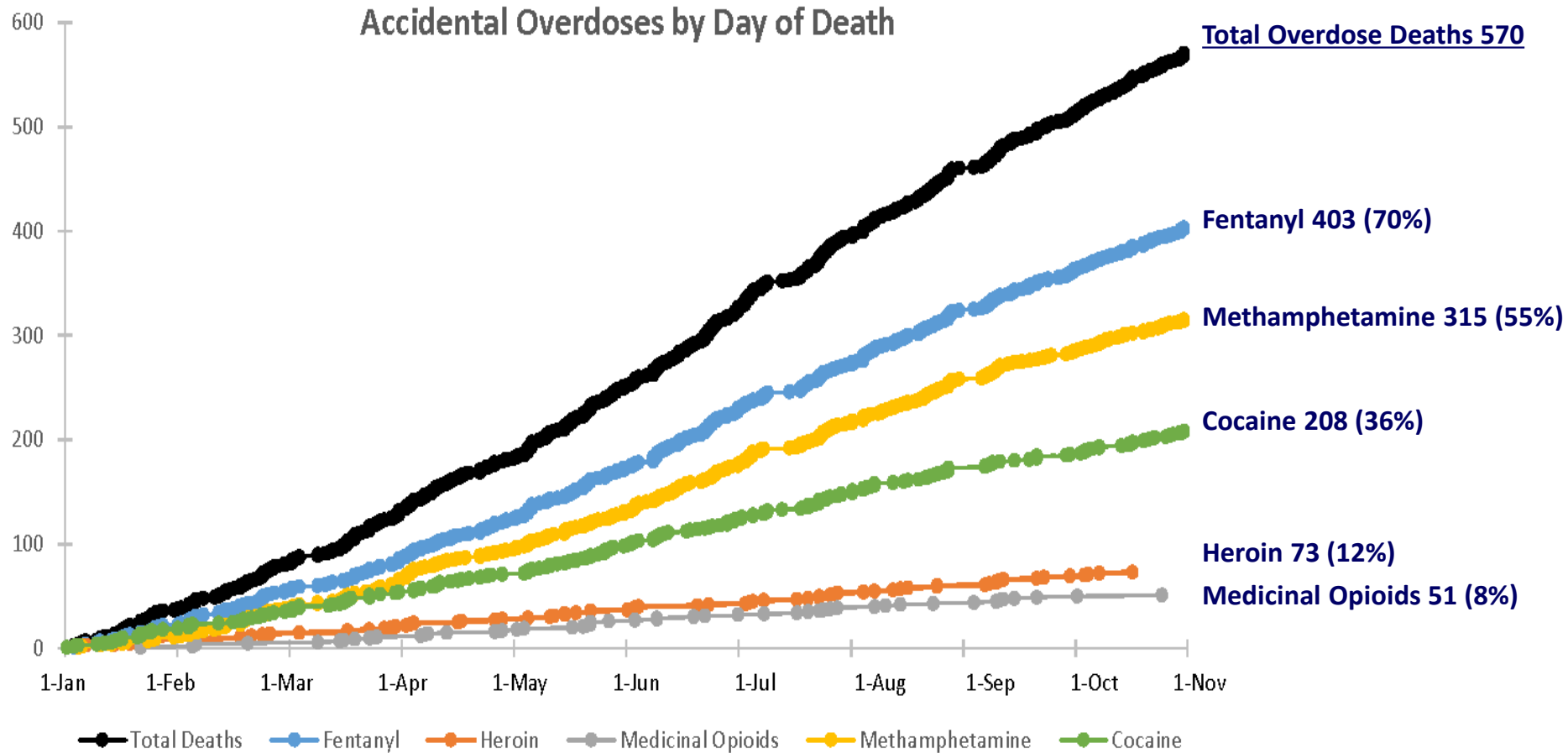
Please fax completed form to the OCME at (415) 641-2233 for review and processing.

# OCME Operation and Overdose Report

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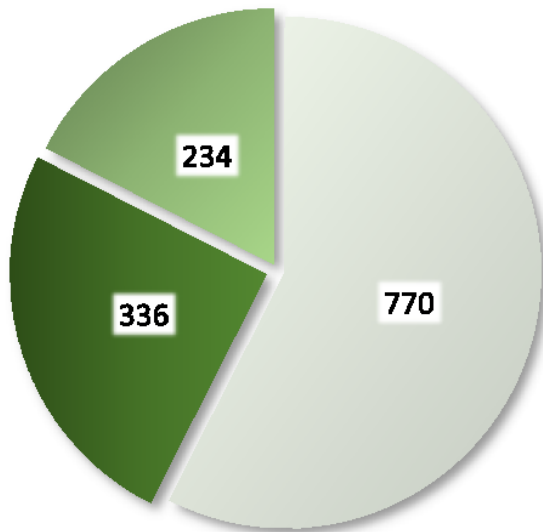
- Death Investigations:
  - a. Investigators arrive on scene, provides case narrative
  - b. Autopsy performed at OCME, specimens collected for testing
  - c. Forensic toxicology analyzes specimens for drugs
  - d. Medical Examiner determines manner and cause of death and closes case
  
- Overdose Report:
  - a. Death Data
  - b. Drug Data
  - c. Demographic Data
  - d. Closed Cases

# January – October, 2020



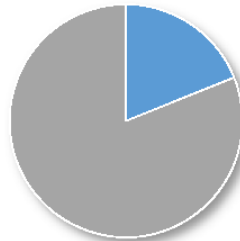
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## Total Cases Received by OCME (1340)



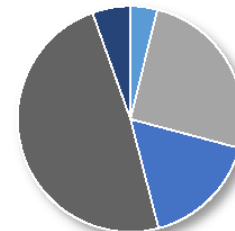
57.46% Other Causes  
25.07% Acc. Overdoses Open  
17.46% Acc. Overdoses Closed

### Gender



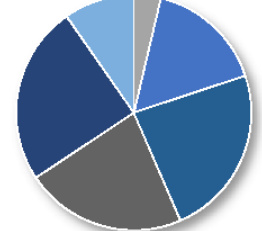
19% Female  
81% Male

### Race



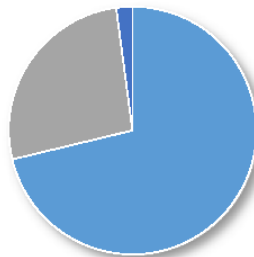
4% Asian  
25% Black  
17% Latinx  
0% Native American  
49% White  
5% Other/Unknown

### Age



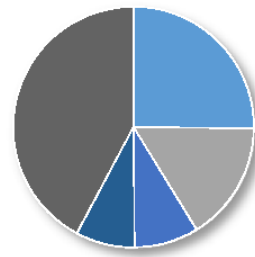
0% <15  
4% 15-24  
16% 25-34  
24% 35-44  
22% 45-54  
25% 55-64  
10% >=65

### Fixed Address



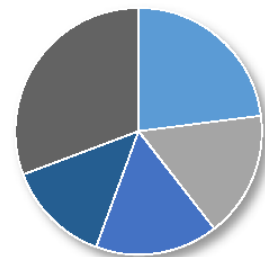
71% Yes (see residence)  
27% No  
2% Unknown

### Residence



25% Tenderloin (94102)  
16% SOMA (94103)  
9% Nob Hill (94109)  
8% Inner Mission (94110)  
42% Others

### Location of Death



23% Tenderloin (94102)  
16% SOMA (94103)  
16% Nob Hill (94109)  
14% Inner Mission (94110)  
31% Others