Supplement 1. National Estimates of Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Over-the-Counter (OTC) Cough and Cold Medication (CCM)-Related Harms, by Patient and Case Characteristics and Intent of Use, 2017-2019^a

Therapeutic Use				r	Nonmed	ical Use	b		Self-	harm		Unsupervised Exposure				
Characteristic	Cases	Annu	al Estim	ate	Cases	Ann	ual Estin	nate	Cases	Ann	ual Esti	mate	Cases	Ar	nual Est	imate
Characteristic	No.	No.	%	95% CI	No.	No.	%	95% CI	No.	No.	%	95% CI	No.	No.	%	95% CI
Age (Years)																
<4	13				5				0				69	697	59.9	(42.6 - 77.2)
4 - 11	60	951	9.2	(5.2 - 13.3)	3				7				24	467	40.1	(22.8 - 57.4)
12 - 17	50	1,181	11.4	(7.3 - 15.6)	135	2,002	25.4	(14.3 - 36.6)	144	1,655	22.4	(15 - 29.8)	0			
18 - 24	65	1,419	13.8	(9.6 - 17.9)	80	1,417	18.0	(13.2	113	2,277	30.8	(23.9 - 37.8)	0			
25 - 34	62	1,730	16.8	(13.1	132	2,825	35.9	(25.7 - 46.1)	100	2,180	29.5	(21.2 - 37.8)	0			
35 - 44	59	1,338	13.0	(9 - 16.9)	27	537°	6.8	(3.3 - 10.4)	24	529	7.2	(4.2 - 10.1)	0			
45 - 54	46	1,182	11.5	(8.9 - 14)	31	594	7.6	(3.7 - 11.4)	20	472	6.4	(4 - 8.8)	0	1		
55 - 64	33	675	6.5	(4 - 9.1)	7		-		6		-		0			
≥65	66	1,677	16.2	(12.3 - 20.2)	12				3				0			
Sex				,												

Female	270	6,307	61.1	(55.8 - 66.4)	126	2,511	31.9	(24.3 - 39.5)	250	4,347	58.9	(50.7 - 67.1)	34	431	37.1	(20.1 - 54)
Male	184	4,012	38.9	(33.6 - 44.2)	306	5,359	68.1	(60.5 - 75.7)	167	3,035	41.1	(32.9 - 49.3)	59	733	62.9	(46 - 79.9)
Disposition ^d																
Hospitalized	38	912	8.8	(5.9 - 11.8)	152	2,385	30.3	(21.1 - 39.6)	341	5,649	76.5	(68.9 - 84.2)	17			
Treated/released or left against medical advice	416	9,407	91.2	(88.2 - 94.1)	278	5,427	69.0	(58.7 - 79.2)	76	1,733	23.5	(15.8 - 31.1)	76	1,003	86.2	(75.2 - 97.3)
Type of Nonmedical Use																
Abuse	NA	NA	NA	NA	273	4,929	62.6	(54.5 - 70.7)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Misuse	NA	NA	NA	NA	62	1,200	15.2	(10.7 - 19.8)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
Overdose without indication of intent	NA	NA	NA	NA	97	1,740	22.1	(14.6 - 29.6)	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
No. of Implicated Medications																
1	345	7,959	77.1	(72.2 - 82)	321	5,721	72.7	(66.2 - 79.2)	187	3,143	42.6	(37.5 - 47.7)	85	1,065	91.5	(78.2 - 100)
2	85	1,873	18.2	(13.8 - 22.5)	72	1,359	17.3	(11.4 - 23.1)	122	2,364	32.0	(25 - 39)	5			

3	11				24	602	7.6	(4.2 - 11.1)	66	1,094	14.8	(9.8 - 19.8)	2			
4 or more	13			-	15				42	781	10.6	(6.4 - 14.7)	1			
Total	454	10,319	100.0		432	7,870	100.0		417	7,382	100.0		93	1,164	100.0	

CI = confidence interval. NA = not applicable.

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^bNonmedical use includes abuse (clinician diagnosis of abuse or documentation of recreational use), misuse (using medication for symptom relief, but not using medication as directed), and overdoses without documentation of therapeutic intent, misuse, abuse, or self-harm.

^cCoefficient of variation >30%.

^dMissing for 2 cases of ED visits for harms from nonmedical CCM use.

Supplement 2. Concurrent Substances Commonly Involved in Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Over-the-Counter (OTC) Cough and Cold Medication (CCM)-related Harms, 2017-2019^a

		Therape	ı	Nonmed	ical Use		Self-harm using CCMs					
Concurrent substance ^b	Cases	Anr	nual Est	imate	Cases	Annı	ual Estin	nate	Cases	Annual Estimate		
Concurrent substance	No.	No.	%	95% CI	No.	No.	%	95% CI		No.	%	95% CI
OTC cough and cold medications alone (without other medications, illicit drugs, or alcohol)	356	8,184	79.3	(74.3 - 84.3)	177	3,042	38.7	(30.0 - 47.3)	114	1,779	24.1	(17.5 - 30.6)
OTC cough and cold medications with other medications (Alcohol and illicit drugs may also be involved)	91	1,931	18.7	(13.9 - 23.6)	104	2,051	26.1	(19.4 - 32.7)	220	4,050	54.9	(49.3 - 60.5)
Antibiotics	22	525	5.1	(2.7 - 7.5)	2				7			
Non-opioid acetaminophen- containing analgesics	6				8				72	1,229	16.6	(12.7 - 20.6)
Antihistamines	17				18				51	1,020	13.8	(10.1 - 17.5)
Antidepressants	11				6				29	582	7.9	(4.2 - 11.5)
Benzodiazepines	4				36	862	11.0	(6.0 - 15.9)	22	569	7.7	(4.2 - 11.2)
Non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs)	6				4				57	872	11.8	(9.3 - 14.4)
Prescription opioids	2				19				18			
Other classes of medications	31	622	6.0	(3.7 - 8.4)	27	447	5.7	(2.5 - 8.8)	34	611	8.3	(4.2 - 12.3)
OTC cough and cold medications with alcohol (Other medications and illicit drugs may also be involved)	8				79	1,637	20.8	(15.0 - 26.7)	81	1,823	24.7	(17.8 - 31.6)

OTC cough and cold medications with illicit drugs Other medications and alcohol may also be involved)	4	 	 165	3,079	39.1	(28.4 - 49.9)	108	2,017	27.3	(22.5 - 32.1)
Marijuana	2	 	 103	1,910	24.3	(15.3 - 33.2)	78	1,449	19.6	(15.5 - 23.7)
Illicit opioids (heroin, fentanyl, unspecified opioids)	0	 	 36	614 ^d	7.8	(3.3 - 12.3)	14		-	
Illicit stimulants (cocaine, methamphetamine, unspecified amphetamines)	0	 	 52	1,067	13.6	(8.8 - 18.4)	27	577	7.8	(4.5 - 11.2)

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billicit drugs include specified illicit substances (e.g., heroin, cocaine), as well as unspecified opioids and unspecified amphetamines (e.g., documentation of opioid ingestion, but unclear whether prescription opioids or illicit opioids were taken).

^cNonmedical use includes abuse (clinician diagnosis of abuse or documentation of recreational use), misuse (using medication for symptom relief, but not using medication as directed), and overdoses without documentation of therapeutic intent, misuse, abuse, or self-harm.

dCoefficient of variation >30%.

Supplement 3. National Estimates of Emergency Department (ED) Visits for Harms Attributed to Over-the-Counter (OTC) Cough and Cold Medications (CCMs), by Clinical Manifestations and Concurrent Substance Use, 2017-2019^a

		OTC CCN	ls Only		OTC CCMs with Other Substances					
Manifestations ^b	Cases	A	nnual E	stimate	Cases	Annual Estimate				
	No.	No.	%	95% CI	No.	No.	%	95% CI		
Severe allergic reaction	48	1,049	7.4	(4.8 - 10.0)	9					
Altered mental status/unresponsiveness	126	2,207	15.6	(11.9 - 19.4)	214	4,301	34.1	(27.7 - 40.5)		
Presyncope/syncope/fall/injury	59	1,305	9.2	(6.5 - 12.0)	37	637	5.0	(2.7 - 7.4)		
Psychiatric or other central nervous system effect	61	1,358	9.6	(6.5 - 12.8)	33	677	5.4	(3.3 - 7.4)		
Cardiovascular effect	44	1,207	8.6	(5.6 - 11.5)	27	556	4.4	(2.5 - 6.3)		
Mild-to-moderate allergic reaction	112	2,514	17.8	(13.1 - 22.5)	21					
Other effect	48	842	6.0	(3.5 - 8.4)	41	767	6.1	(3.9 - 8.2)		
Increased drug level only	11				37	676	5.4	(3.7 - 7)		
No documented clinical manifestations	224	3,484	24.7	(19.0 - 30.3)	244	4,383	34.7	(27.6 - 41.9)		
Total	733	14,111	100.0		663	12,624	100.0			

CI = confidence interval.

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^bClinical manifestations were categorized in a mutually exclusive and hierarchical manner (e.g., a case involving depressed consciousness and nausea would be classified as altered mental status/unresponsiveness based on the depressed consciousness).