



# NCHS Board of Scientific Counselors Meeting: Director's Update

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# Thank You to Our Committed Board Members!

BSC members extending their time on the Board:

- Kristen Olson, Ph.D.
- Helen Levy, Ph.D.



# Staffing Updates



**Karin Orvis, Ph.D.**, named OMB's  
Chief Statistician of the United States

# Return to the Workplace

Staff return to the office!

- NCHS maintains flexible work schedules
- Office renovations complete to improve ventilation and other amenities



# Evidence Act Implementation

One Hundred Fifteenth Congress  
of the  
United States of America

AT THE SECOND SESSION

*Begun and held at the City of Washington on Wednesday,  
the third day of January, two thousand and eighteen*

## An Act

To amend titles 5 and 44, United States Code, to require Federal evaluation activities, improve Federal data management, and for other purposes.

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of  
the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

### SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE; TABLE OF CONTENTS.

(a) SHORT TITLE.—This Act may be cited as the “Foundations for Evidence-Based Policymaking Act of 2018”.

(b) TABLE OF CONTENTS.—The table of contents for this Act is as follows:

Sec. 1. Short title; table of contents.

#### TITLE I—FEDERAL EVIDENCE-BUILDING ACTIVITIES

Sec. 101. Federal evidence-building activities.

#### TITLE II—OPEN GOVERNMENT DATA ACT

Sec. 201. Short title.

Sec. 202. OPEN Government data.

#### TITLE III—CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION PROTECTION AND STATISTICAL EFFICIENCY

## Statistical Agencies and Title III



Increase access to data  
for evidence-building



Serve as technical  
advisors to the  
Departments



Facilitate data sharing  
across federal  
agencies



Protect the privacy of  
data



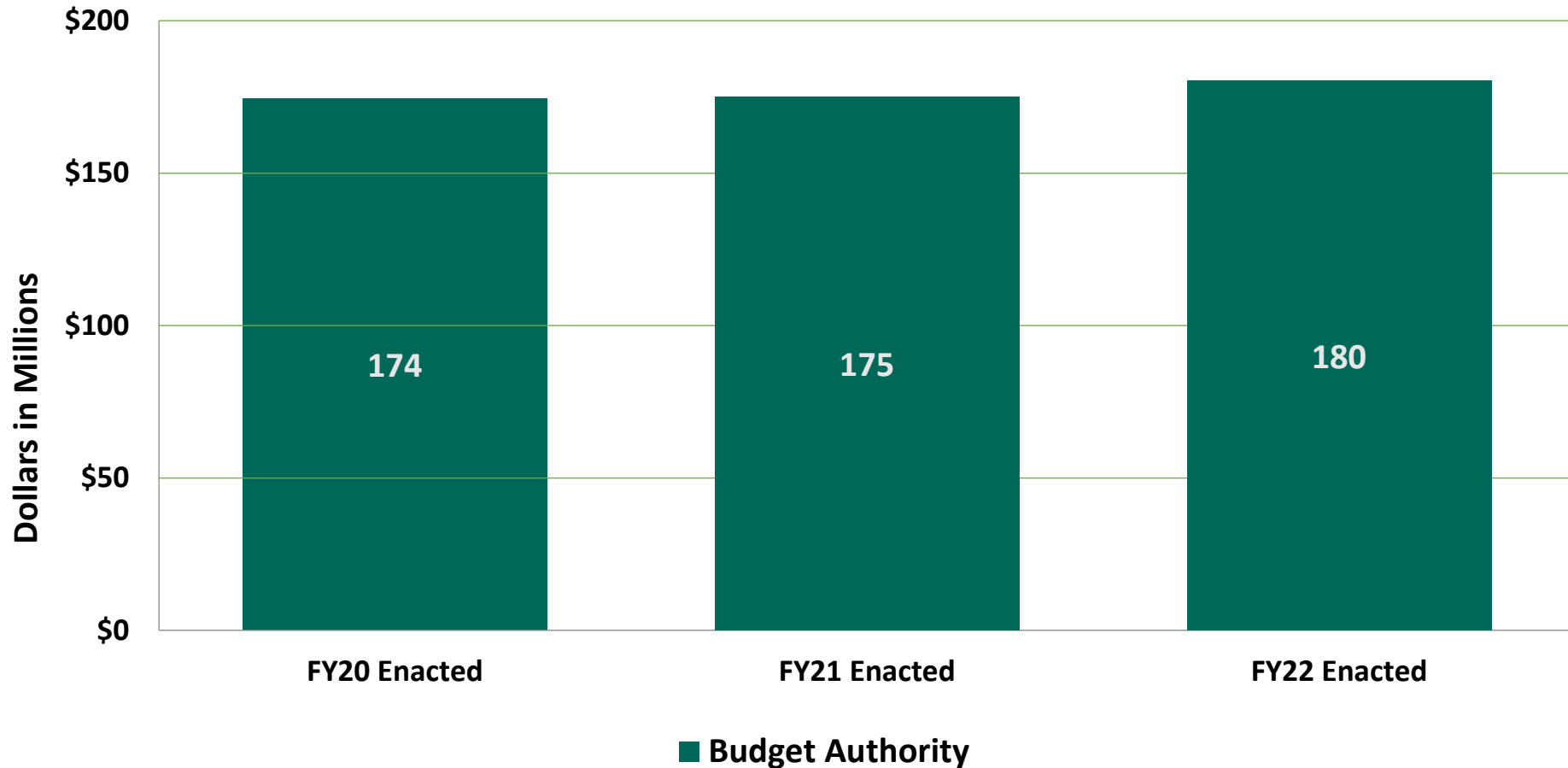
Create a standard  
application process  
for researchers

# Advisory Committee on Data for Evidence Building: Use Case on Health

- Possibilities of a National Secure Data Service
- Value of health data access, linking, and analysis for evidence building
- Better communication and collaboration among the federal, state, and local levels
- Role of communities of practice, training, and resource sharing
- Data governance frameworks to facilitate access to and linking of health data



# NCHS Budget Update



**FY 2023 President's Budget request includes a \$6.54 million increase**

# Select NCHS Program Updates



Collaboration with Dept.  
of State to add Gender  
“X” Marker to U.S.  
Passport applications



Data4Health Initiative  
Launched the 2022  
WHO Verbal Autopsy  
Instrument



Collaboration with U.S.  
Census Bureau on a Retail  
Health Clinic Project

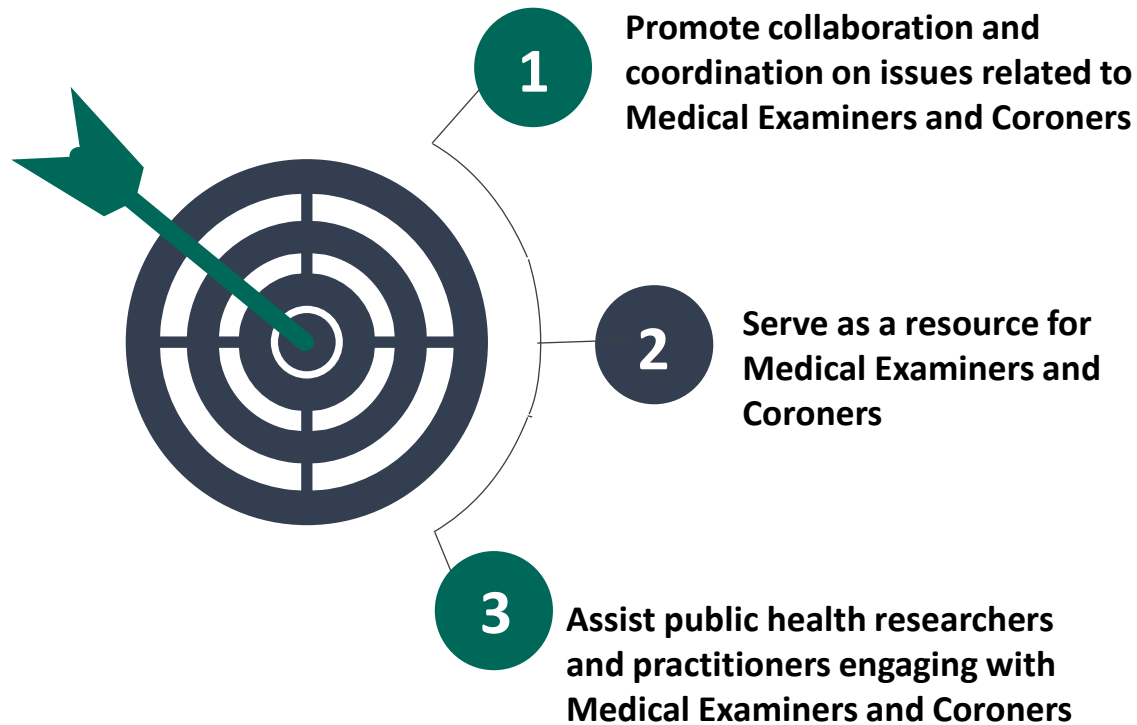


Onboarding CDC  
Researchers to NCHS  
Virtual Data Enclave



# Coordinating Office for Medical Examiners and Coroners (COMEC)

## GOALS



## OBJECTIVES



# New Reports & Data from NCHS

## High-Visibility Reports

- Maternal Mortality Rates in the United States, 2020
- Health Insurance Coverage: Early Release of Estimates from the National Health Interview Survey, 2021

## New Data Releases

- Monthly Provisional Drug Overdose Death Counts (thru December 2021)
- 2021 National EHR Survey public use data file

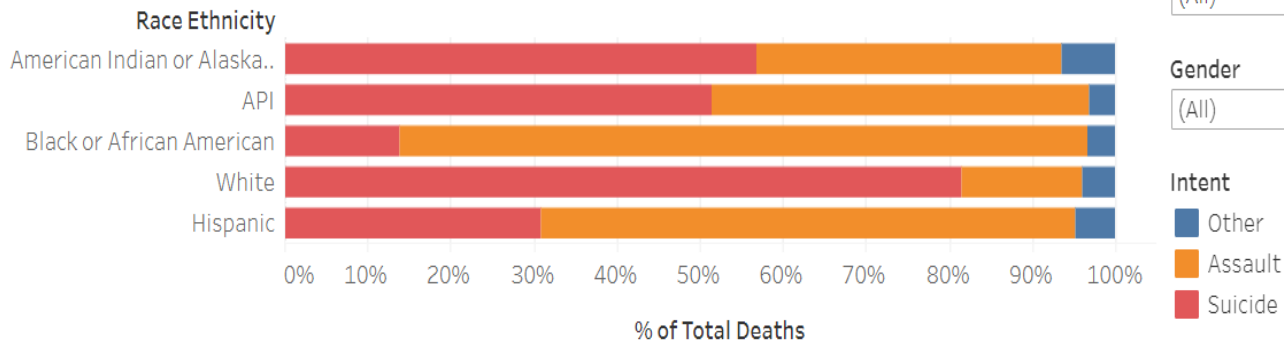
## Just this week...

- Births: Provisional Data for 2021 — May 24th
- Sexual Orientation Differences in Access to Care and Health Status, Behaviors, and Beliefs — May 25<sup>th</sup>

# NCHS & AcademyHealth 2021 Data Visualization Challenge: Winners Announced!

**First Place Winners:** Johns Hopkins University's *"Sound the Alarm: Data Show Large Inequities in Rates of Gun Deaths Among Young People"*

% of Gun Deaths Among Individuals Ages 15-24, by Intent & Race/Ethnicity



Ten-Year Age Groups

(All)

Gender

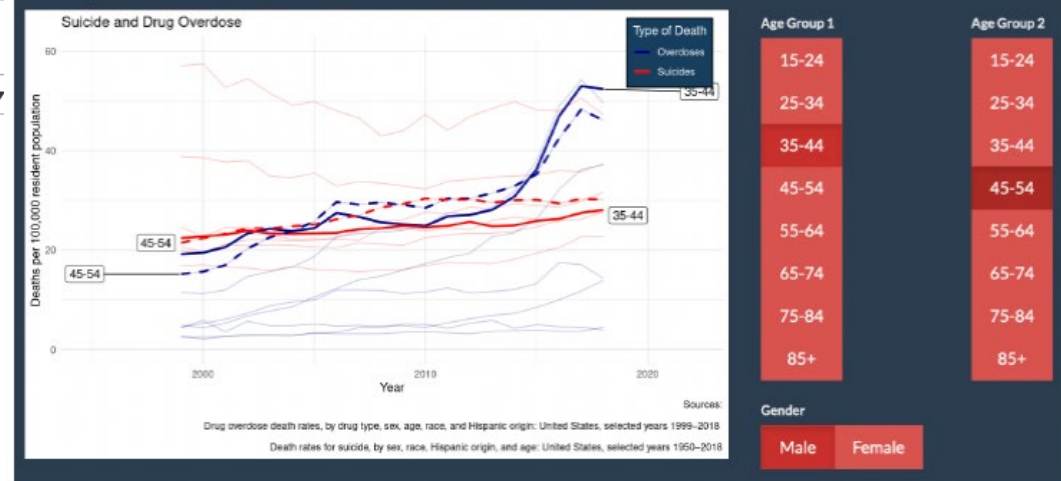
(All)

Intent

Other  
Assault  
Suicide

**Second Place Winners:** University of Wisconsin-Madison *"Investigating Temporal Trends in Preventable Death: Suicide and Drug Overdose"*

Temporal Trends in Preventable Death:





# NCHS Data Detectives Camp

Virtual Camp: August 8–12, 2022

Now accepting applications through May 30

A free 1-week STEM camp for rising 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> graders.

Campers will be introduced to statistical concepts such as comparisons, predictions and distributions in a child-friendly format.

Find the application online on [NCHS's webpage](#).

HEALTH

## Health statistics center is training young 'data detectives'

By Erin Blakemore  
May 9, 2022 at 7:18 a.m. EDT

# Discussion/Questions

For more information, contact CDC  
1-800-CDC-INFO (232-4636)  
TTY: 1-888-232-6348 [www.cdc.gov](http://www.cdc.gov)

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