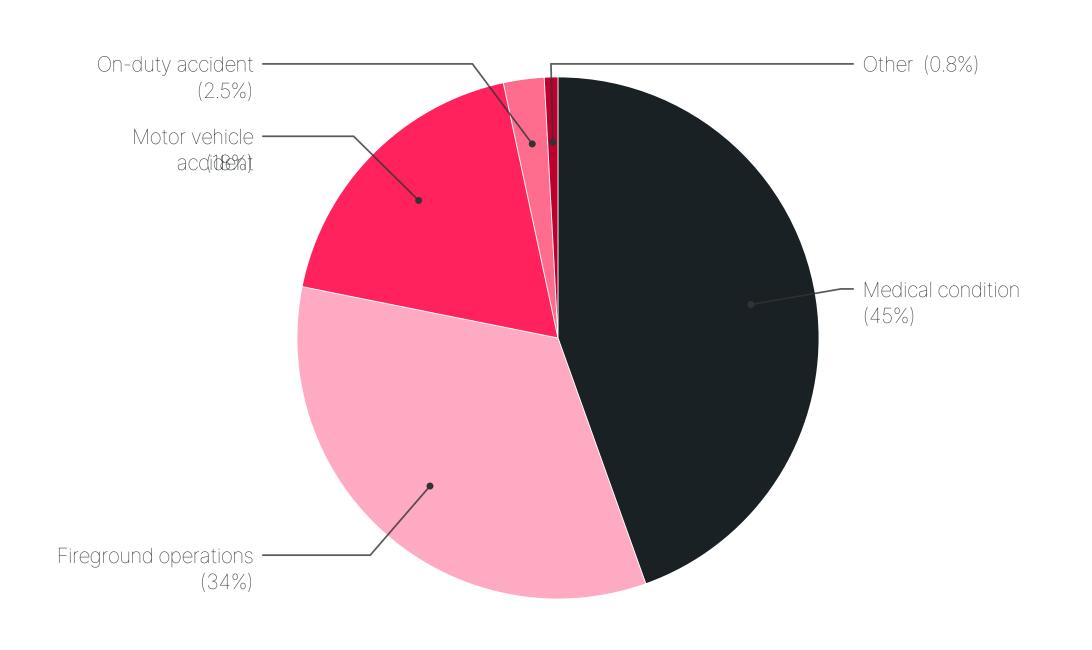


Supporting Texas' health news ecosystem by creating resources, sharing expertise and training the next generation of data-driven reporters.

2023-2024 Translation Health Research Center Faculty Fellow Project Dr. Daniel Carter and Professor Kym Fox, SJMC

Since 2001, 45% of Texas firefighter deaths have been the result of a medical condition.



Deaths include those investigated by the Texas State Fire Marshal's Office.

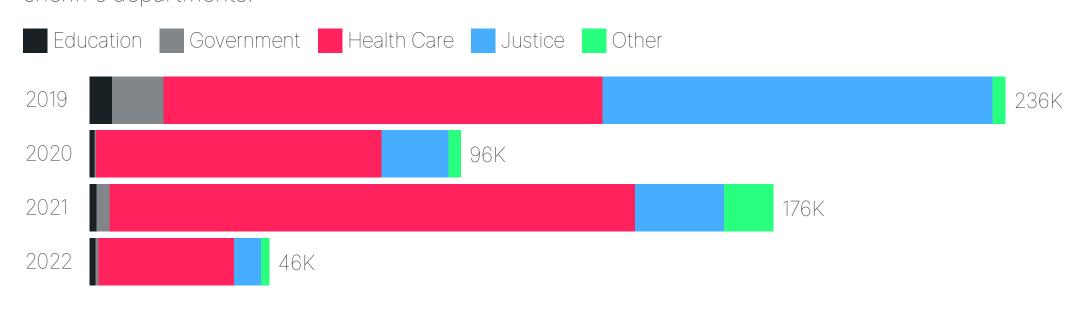
Source: Texas State Fire Marshal's Office

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Dr. Matt McCallister's research on firefighter's cardiovascular health provided context for a story on the prevalence of on-the-job deaths and possible interventions. The report was published in Austin, San Antonio, Amarillo and Abilene.

In 2019 the justice system received over 40% of naloxone distributed by More Narcan Please, but this share fell sharply in subsequent years.

Within the justice system, over 90% of doses went to law enforcement agencies such as police and sheriff's departments.



Categorization of naloxone recipients was performed by Texas Community Health News.

Source: Texas Department of State Health Services

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A Texas Community Health News report on Narcan distribution was published by The Texas Tribune and eight other local, state and national outlets. It was featured in KFF Health News and The Washington Post's Health 202 column.

## Creating Resources

Texas Community Health News maintains a dataset of over 120 county-level variables related to public health topics. Additionally, we create data visualizations that can be used by journalists across the state and produce free-to-republish publish reports that appear in local, state and national pulications.

100+
appearances of TCHN content since June 2023

10K+
visualization views
per month

publications distributing or referencing TCHN content





appearances of TXState experts in publications

## Sharing Expertise

Texas Community Health News connects Texas State University experts's research and knowledge with stories that are relevant to local and state news audiences. Past and in-progress reports feature:

Dr. Christopher Johnson, Sociology

Dr. Kelly Clary, Social Work
Dr. Ny'Nika McFadden, Health and Human Performance
Dr. Lynn Reeder, Counseling Center

Dr. Matt McCallister, Health and Human Performance

Dr. Shadi Maleki, Translational Health Research Center

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## Training the Next Generation of Data-Driven Reporters

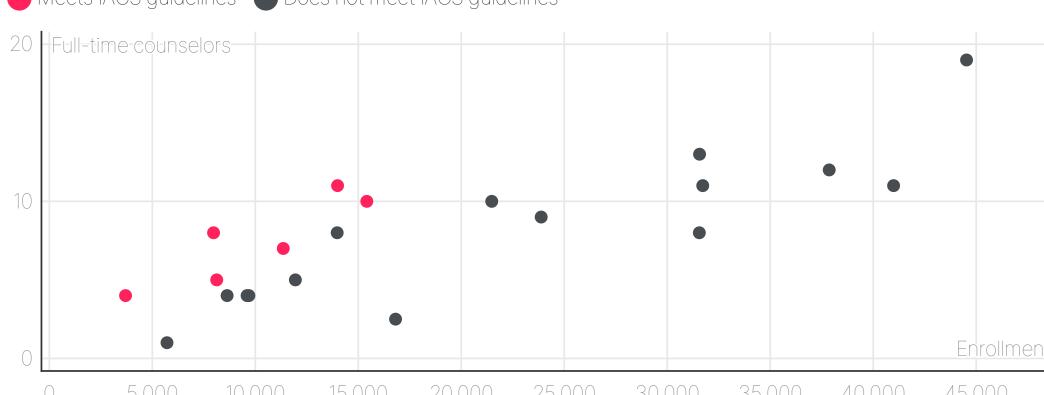
Texas Community Health News provides in-depth training and individual mentorship to Texas State students who receive paid internships through the program. In our first year, we trained six interns, who placed reports in venues such as The Texas Tribune, Texas Public Radio and Public Health Watch.

Graduating interns have successfully pursued careers in the field, taking the skills they acquired back to Texas publications.

iviost rexas colleges and universities fall short of the recommended number of counselors

Of the 23 colleges and universities that provided data on their counseling center staffing and use, six meet the guidelines established by the International Association of Counseling Services (IACS).

Meets IACS guidelines
 Does not meet IACS guidelines



IACS guidelines recommend campuses maintain minimum staffing ratios of one full-time professional staff member to every 1,000 to 1,500 students, depending on services offered and other campus mental health agencies. For this report, Texas Community Health News considered a campus to meet these guidelines if they report having more than one counselor for every 1,500 students or if they would need to hire less than one counselor to meet this

Source: Texas Community Health News

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Texas Community Health News interns submitted public information requests to all major colleges and universities in Texas in order to understand challenges facing mental healthcare on campuses.



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