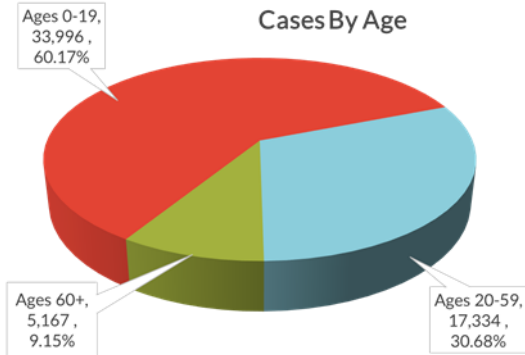
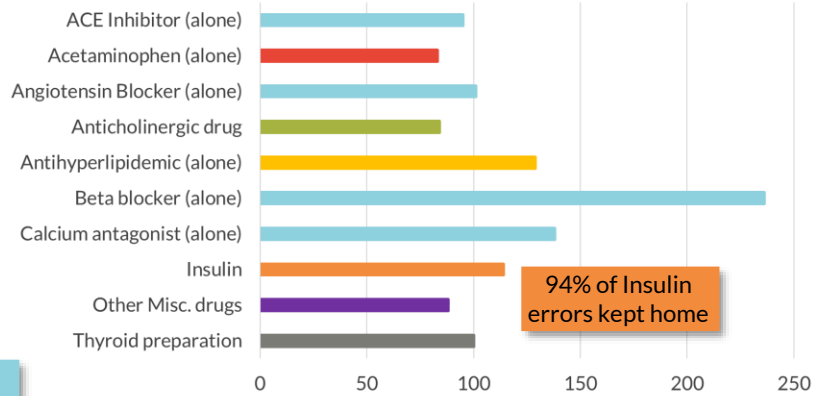


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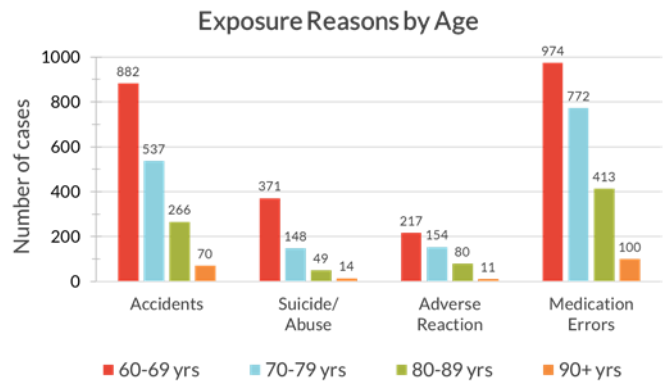
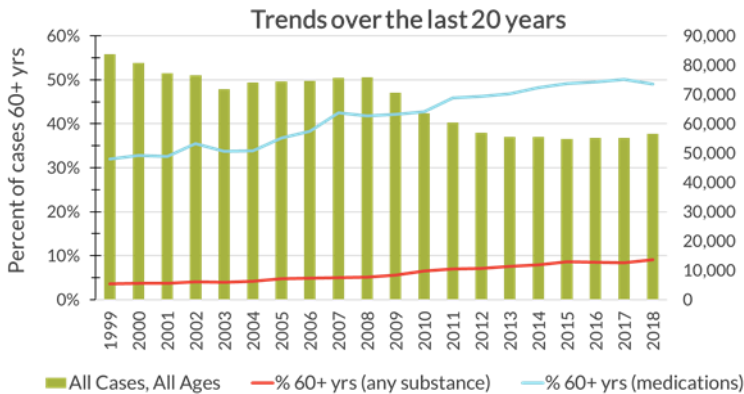
9.2% of all calls to the Poison Center were regarding adults ≥ 60 years;
44% of those calls were related to medication errors



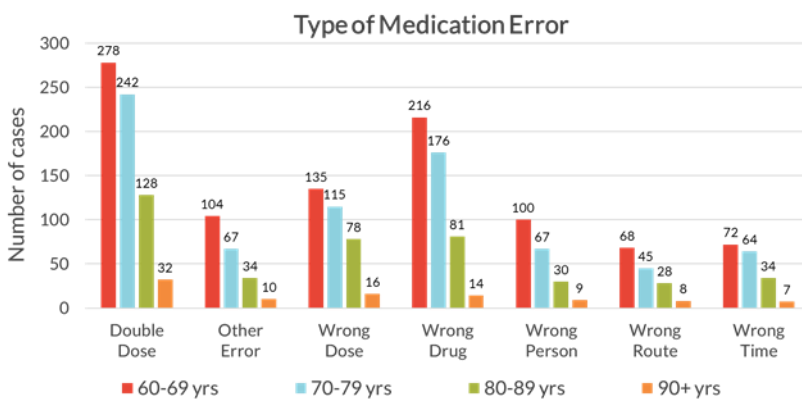
Top 10 Medications involved in Errors



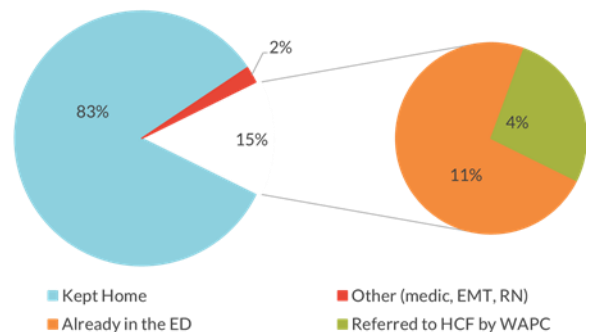
Medication therapeutic errors in adults ages 60+ have increased 17% since 1999



More than 95% of adults ≥ 60 years who called the poison center first about ANY medication error were managed at home by our specialists, keeping them out of the emergency department, saving \$1,925,433 of our patients' dollars



Management Site for Medication Errors



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