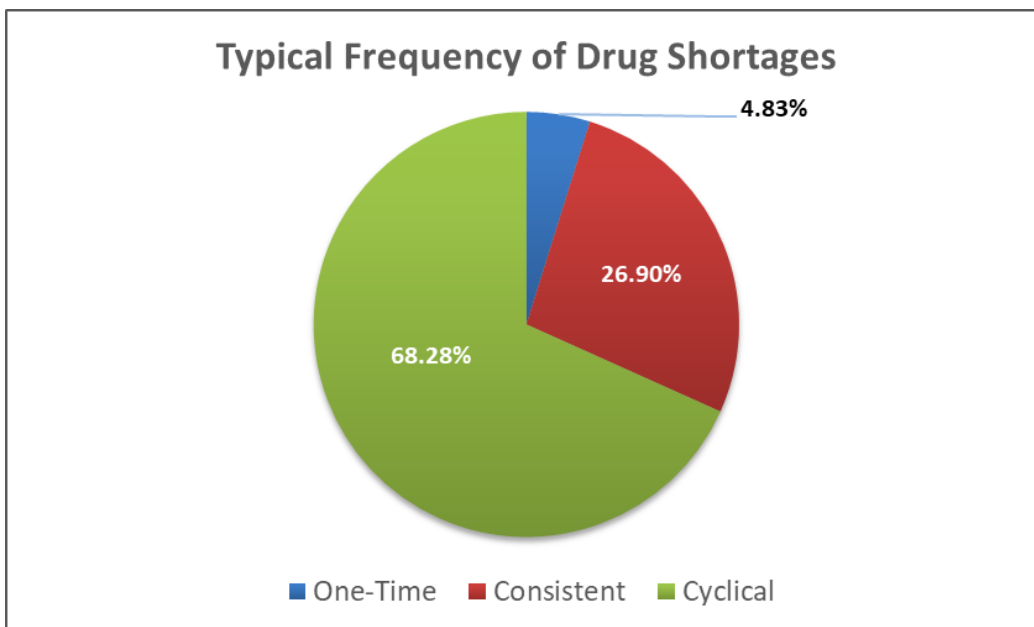
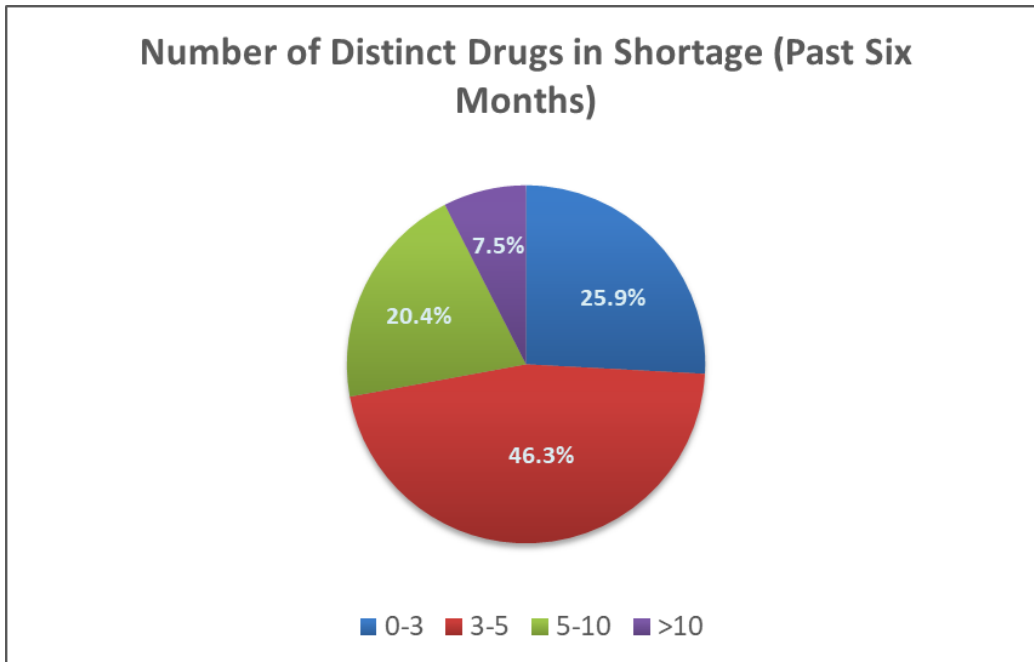
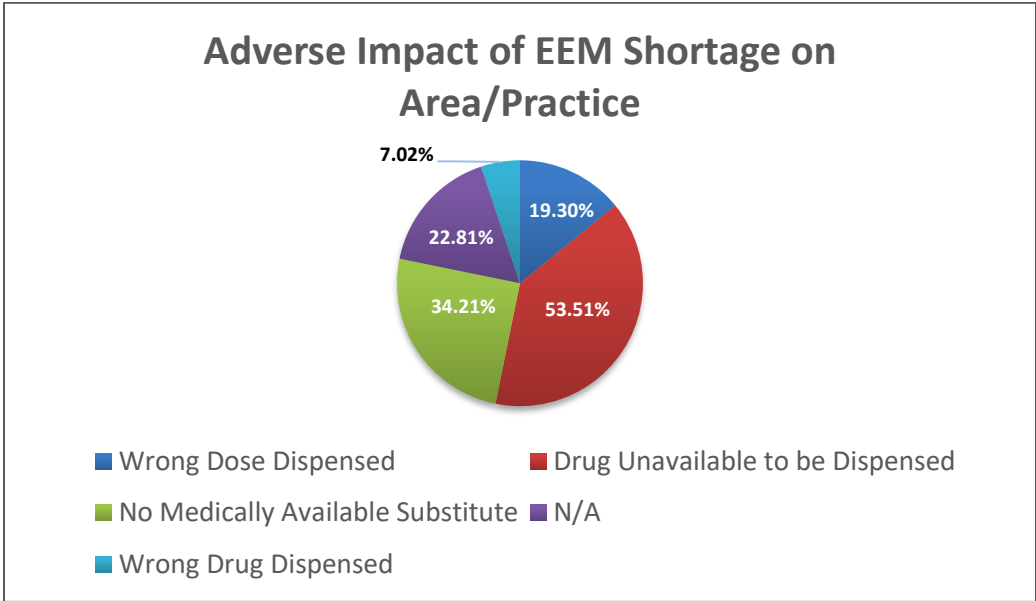
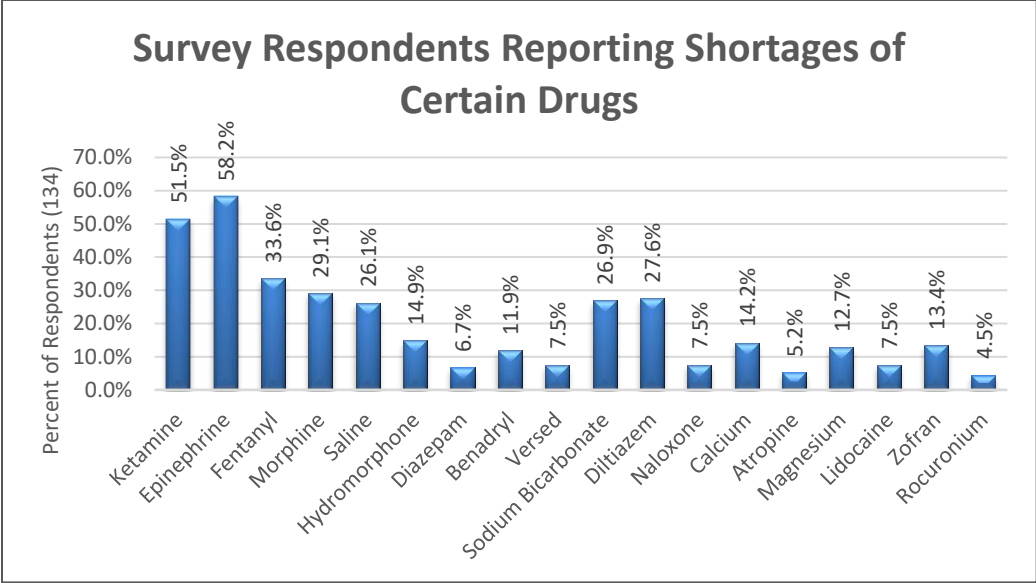




National Association of EMS Physicians (NAEMSP) Survey on Drug Shortages in the EMS Community

During its annual meeting from January 9-11, 2019, the National Association of EMS Physicians (NAEMSP) distributed a short survey to its members inquiring about the frequency and nature of drug shortages in the EMS community and the effects of those shortages on patient care. In total, 176 NAEMSP members responded to the survey, 97% of whom had encountered a shortage of an essential emergency medicine (EEM) in the past six months. Various results from the survey may be found below.





These results indicate that the EMS community overall sees multiple drugs in shortage, that many of these drugs are crucial to the care of emergent patients, that shortages of these drugs are cyclical, and that these shortages can have significant effect on patient care by increasing the number and type of medication errors.

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