



DATA FROM THE CTN PLATFORM STUDY: MAJOR FINDINGS

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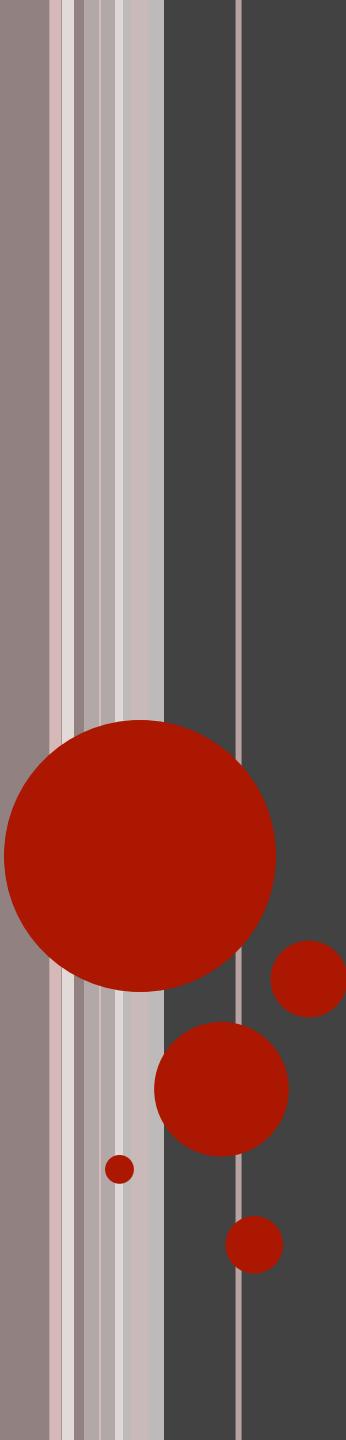
GOALS OF THE CTN PLATFORM STUDY

- To understand organization-level processes of adoption, implementation, and potential discontinuation of evidence-based treatment practices (EBPs)
 - Within the CTN over time
 - Comparing the CTN to non-CTN programs
- To study the counseling workforce within CTN programs
 - Counselor attitudes toward EBPs
 - Workforce issues, such as emotional exhaustion and turnover intention

METHODOLOGY

- Face-to-face interviews with administrators and/or clinical directors of CTPs & mail/internet based surveys with counselors in CTPs
- Three waves of data collection
 - Baseline (2002-2004)
 - 24 month follow-up
 - 48 month follow-up
- Comparisons with 2 nationally representative samples:
 - Publicly funded programs (N=318)
 - Privately funded programs (N=345)





RESEARCH ON ADOPTION OF BUPRENORPHINE

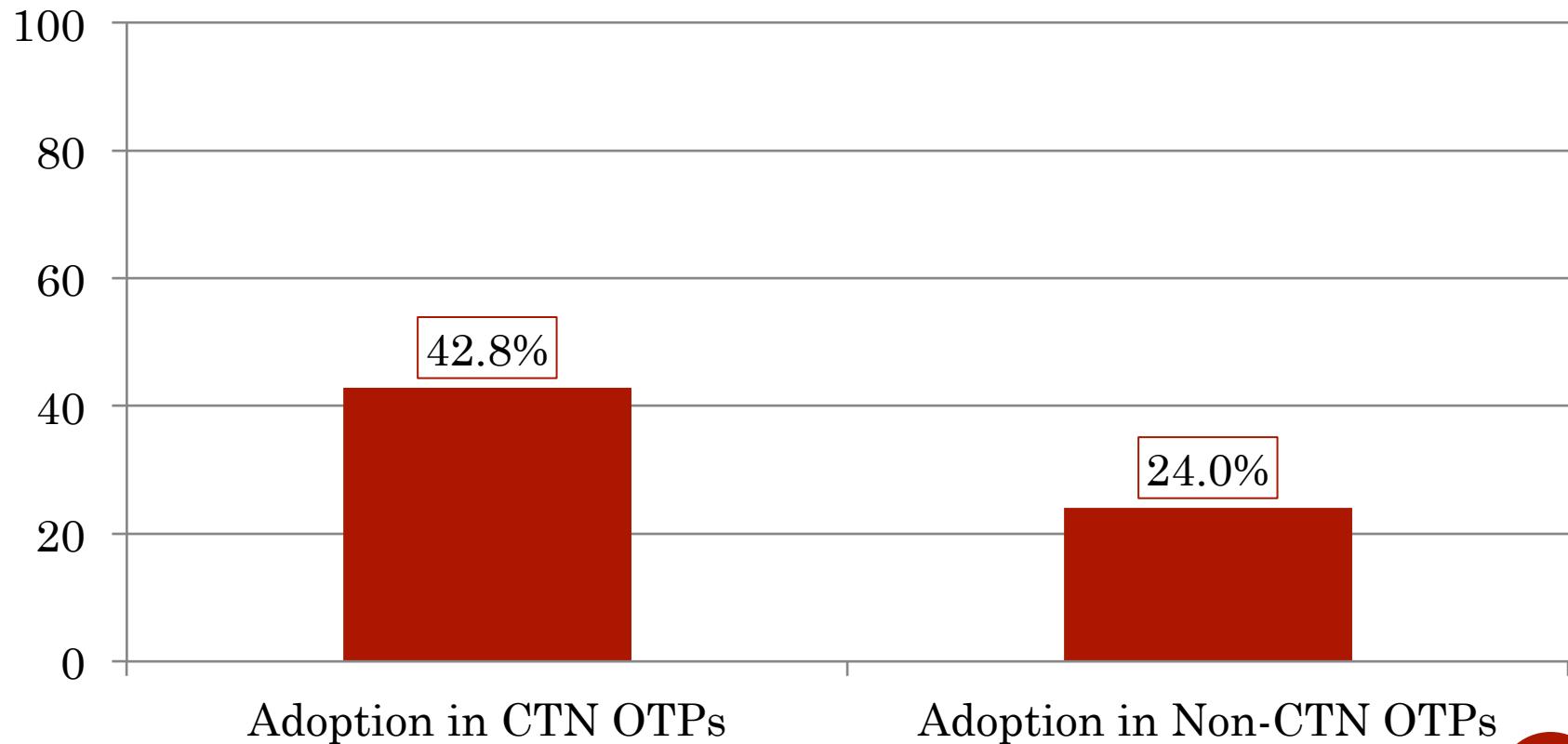
1. ADOPTION OF BUPRENORPHINE IN OPIOID TREATMENT PROGRAMS (OTPs)

DUCHARME & ROMAN (2009). *JOURNAL OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT*, 37, 90-94

- Are OTPs in the CTN more likely to adopt buprenorphine than OTPs outside the CTN?
- Matched sample of 49 OTPs in the CTN and a nationally representative sample of 50 OTPs drawn from SAMSHA's 2005 treatment facility locator



ADOPTION OF BUPRENORPHINE IN OTPS



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KEY FINDINGS

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37, 90-94.

- CTN affiliation was significantly associated with buprenorphine adoption
 - CTN OTPs were *twice* as likely as non-CTN OTPs to adopt buprenorphine in models controlling for profit-status & staff characteristics
 - Number of employees, number of nurses, and % master's level counselors
 - CTN OTPs were *three times* more likely to adopt bup in models controlling for program census



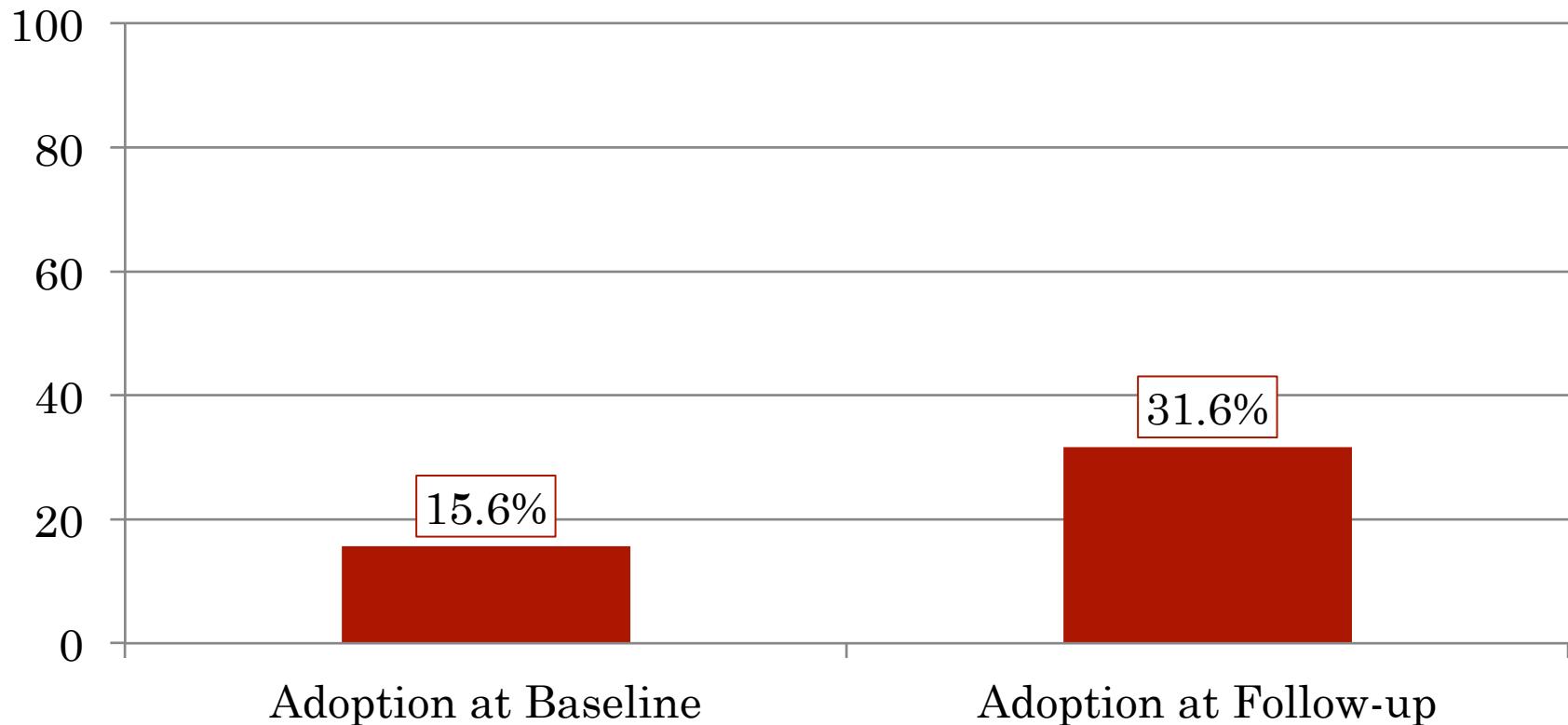
2. BUPRENORPHINE ADOPTION OVER TIME

KNUDSEN, ABRAHAM, JOHNSON, & ROMAN. (2009). JOURNAL OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT, 37, 307-312.

- Earlier work revealed the importance of protocol involvement in promoting buprenorphine adoption (Ducharme et al., 2007)
- Two additional questions:
 - Is ***protocol involvement*** associated with adoption over time?
 - Has there been adoption in CTPs ***without*** bup protocol experience?
- We examined 206 CTPs that participated in both the baseline interview and 24-month on-site follow-up

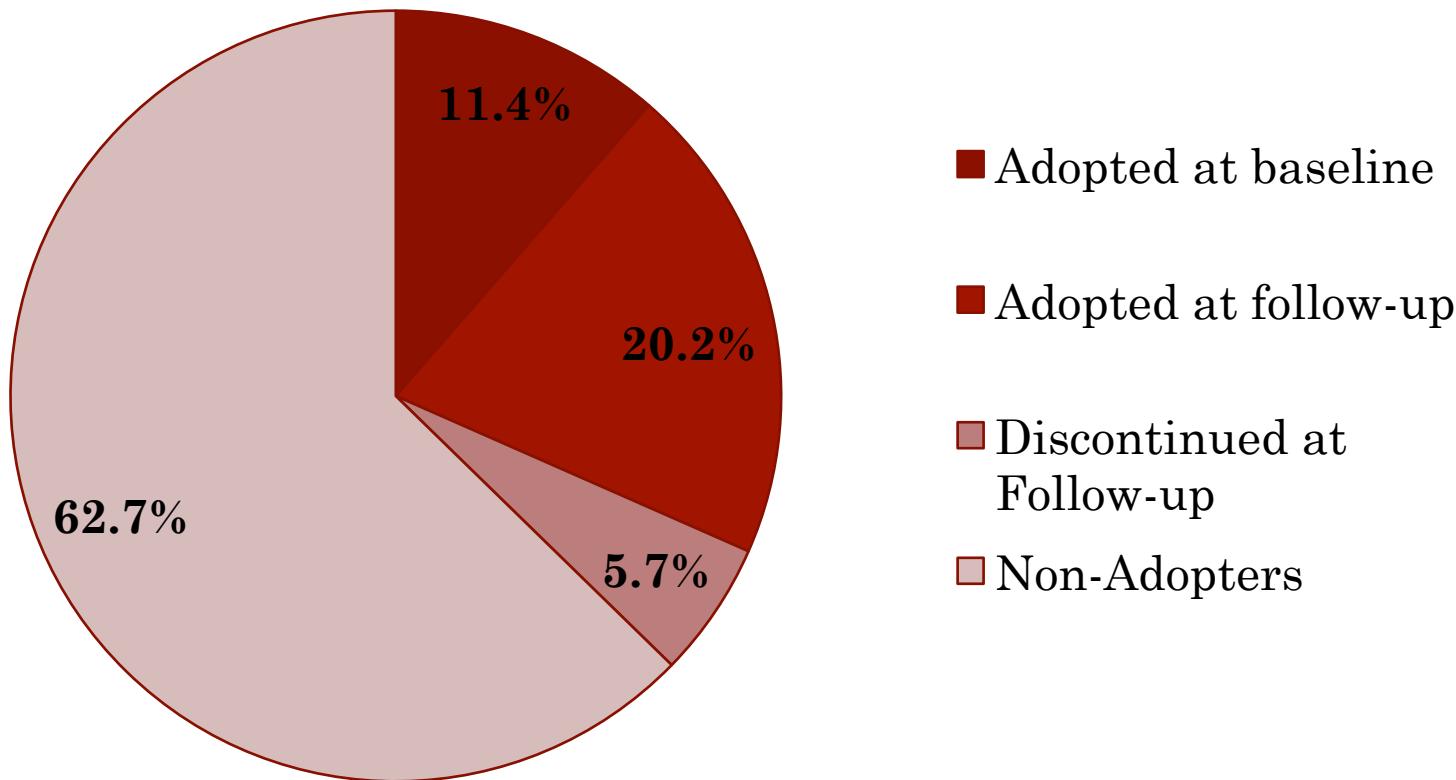


ADOPTION OF BUPRENORPHINE AT BASELINE AND 24-MONTH FOLLOW-UP



*Knudsen, Abraham, Johnson, & Roman. (2009).
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TYPOLOGY OF BUPRENORPHINE ADOPTION



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OTHER KEY FINDINGS

KNUDSEN, ABRAHAM, JOHNSON, & ROMAN. (2009). JOURNAL OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT, 37, 307-312.

- Buprenorphine adoption at baseline was ***strongly associated*** with continued adoption at follow-up
 - “Stable” adoption in these CTPs
- Protocol involvement was still ***positively*** associated with adoption
 - However, much of the adoption at follow-up was in programs ***without*** protocol experience
- Programs offering ***inpatient detox*** and ***for-profit programs*** were more likely to have adopted buprenorphine at follow-up





ADOPTION OF ALCOHOL PHARMACOTHERAPIES IN CTN AND NON-CTN PROGRAMS

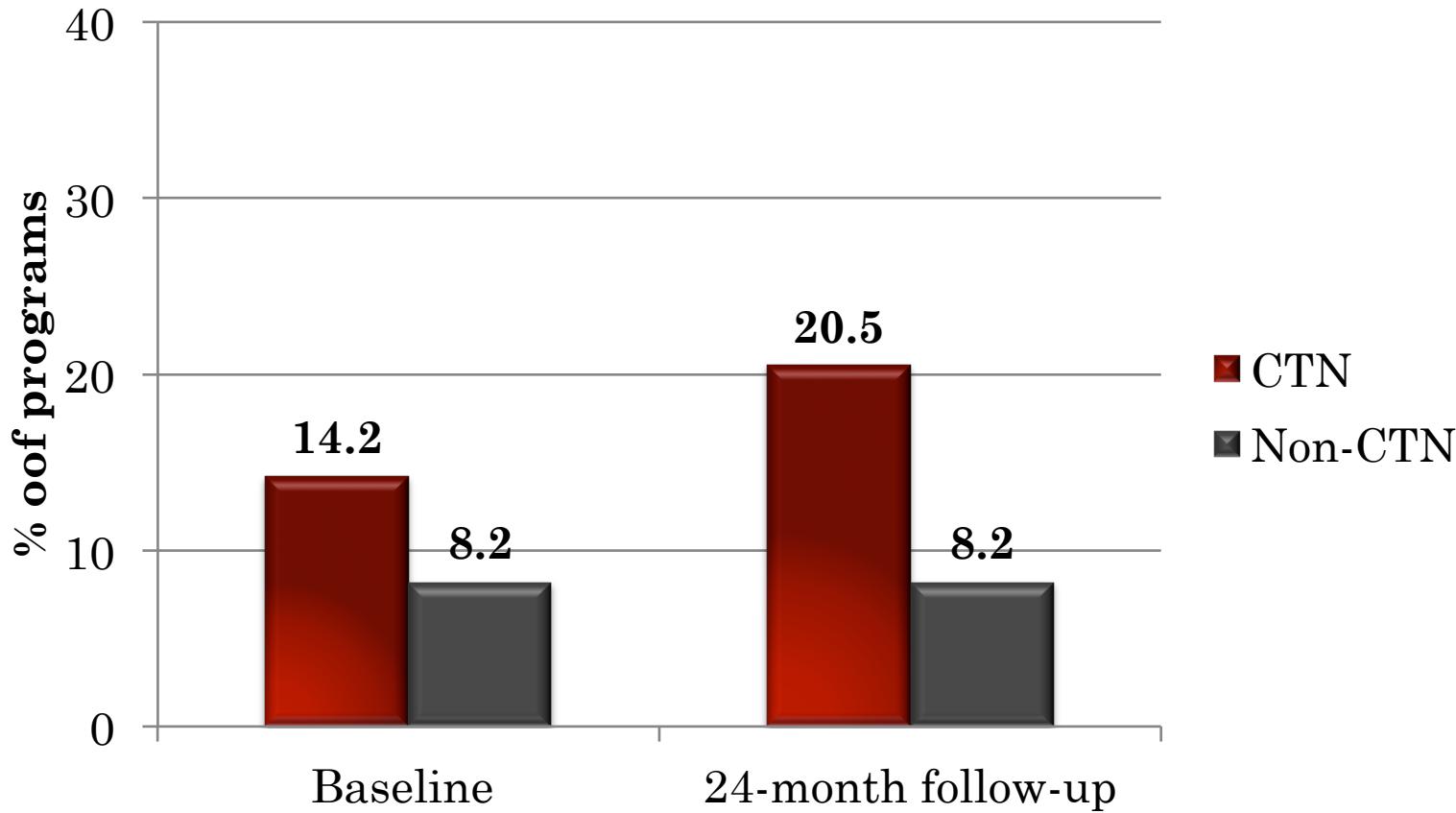
*Abraham, Knudsen, Rothrauff, & Roman. 2010.
Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment, 38(3):
275-283.*

DATA

- Pooled sample of publicly funded CTN and non-CTN programs
 - 127 CTN programs
 - 147 Non-CTN programs
- Utilized data collected at baseline (2002-2004) and 24-month follow-up

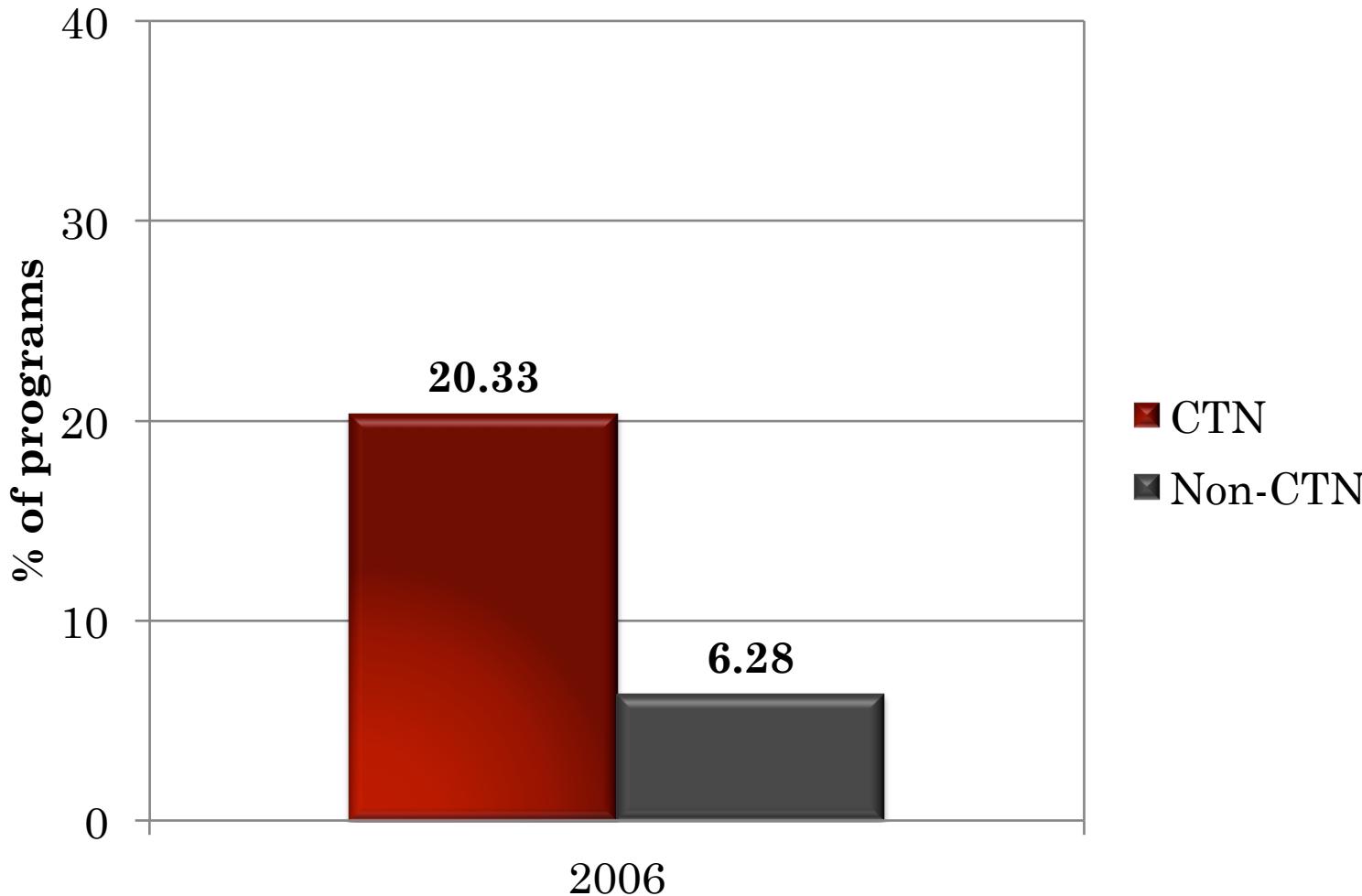


ADOPTION OF TABLET NALTREXONE FOR ALCOHOL DEPENDENCE



*Adoption of tablet naltrexone increased by 6.3% over time in the CTN and did not change in non-CTN programs.

EARLY ADOPTION OF ACAMPROSATE

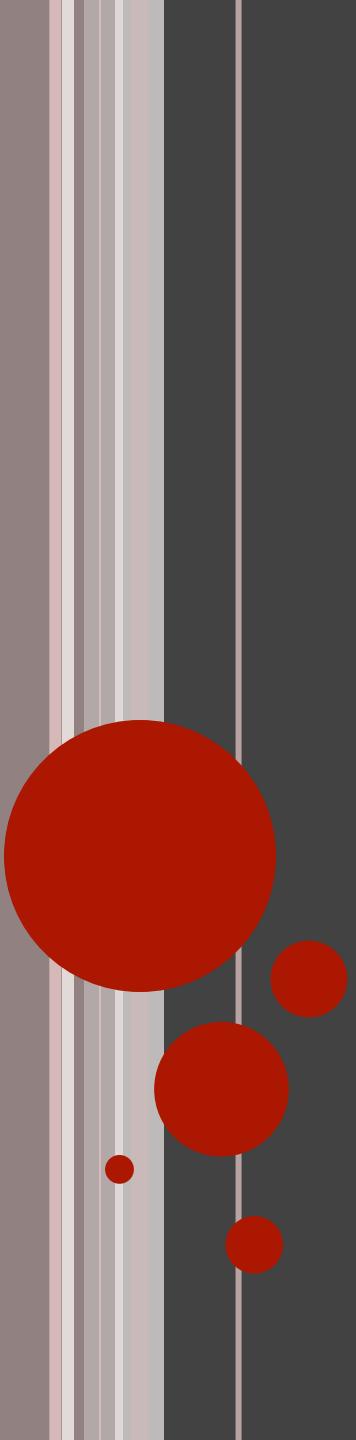


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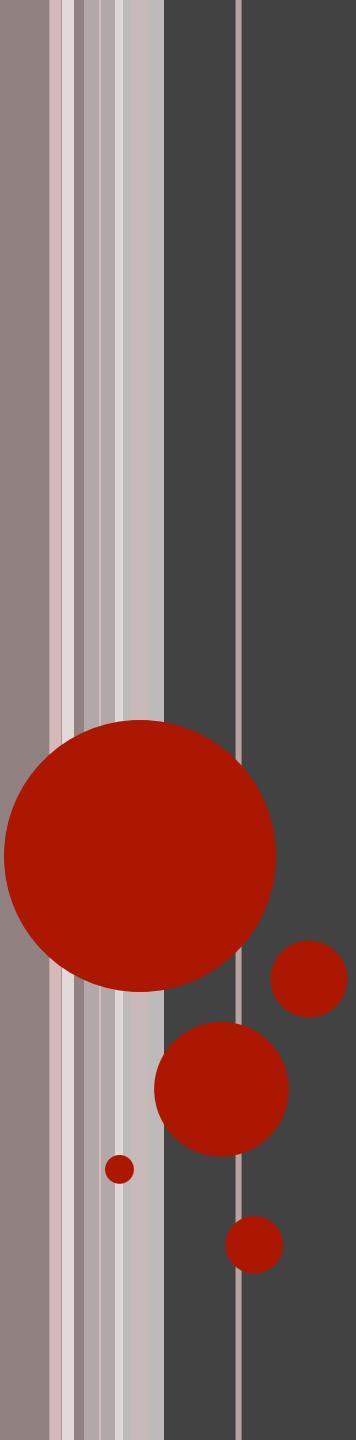
- CTN participation was not a significant predictor of tablet naltrexone adoption at baseline
- At 24-month follow-up, CTN programs were three times more likely than non-CTN programs to adopt tablet naltrexone
 - net of program structure and culture, environmental scanning, membership in a provider association, and administrator education
- CTN programs were three times more likely than non-CTN programs to adopt acamprosate in 2006
 - net of program culture, environmental scanning, membership in a provider association, and administrator education





LATEST FINDINGS FROM THE PLATFORM STUDY

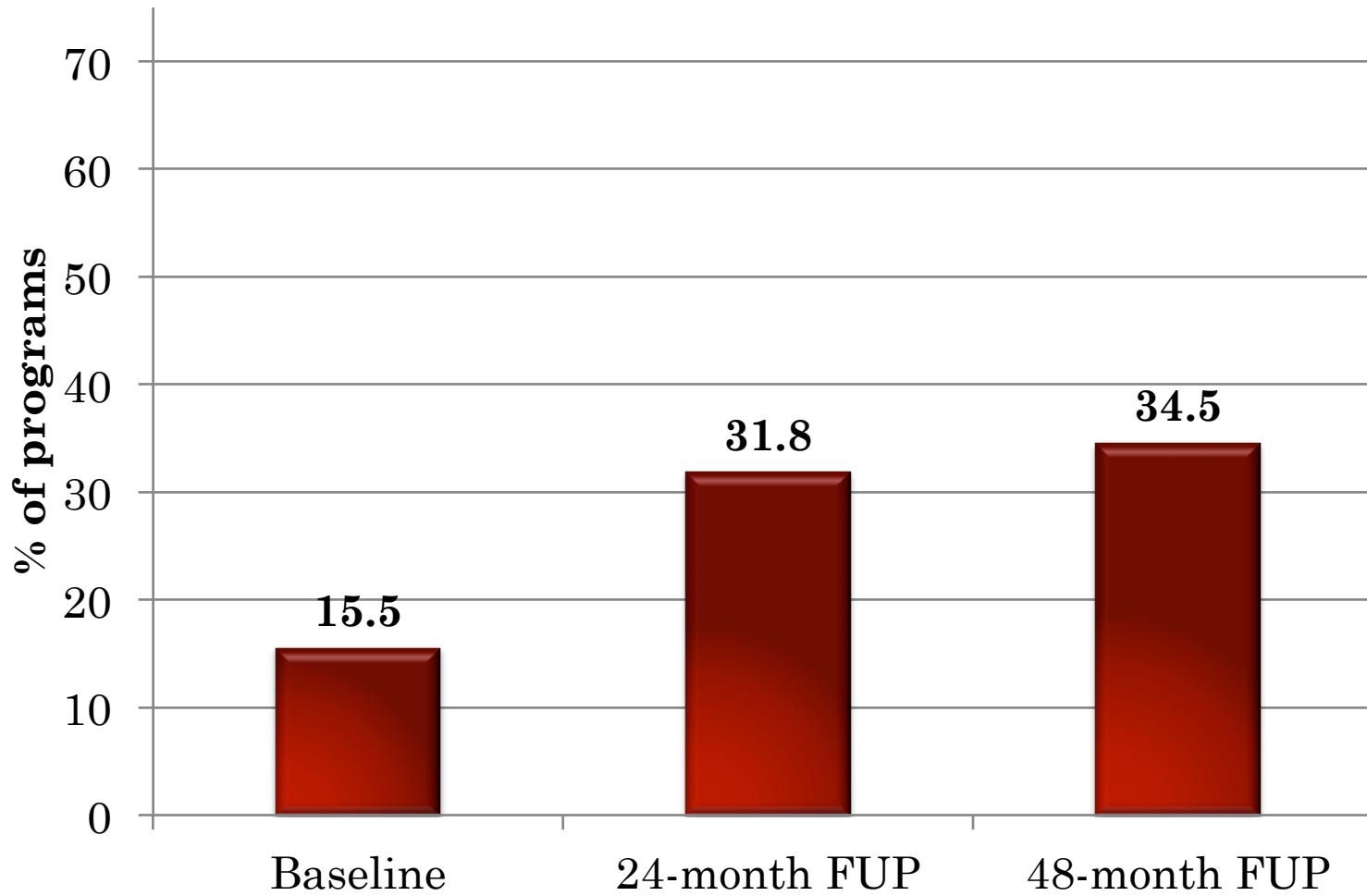
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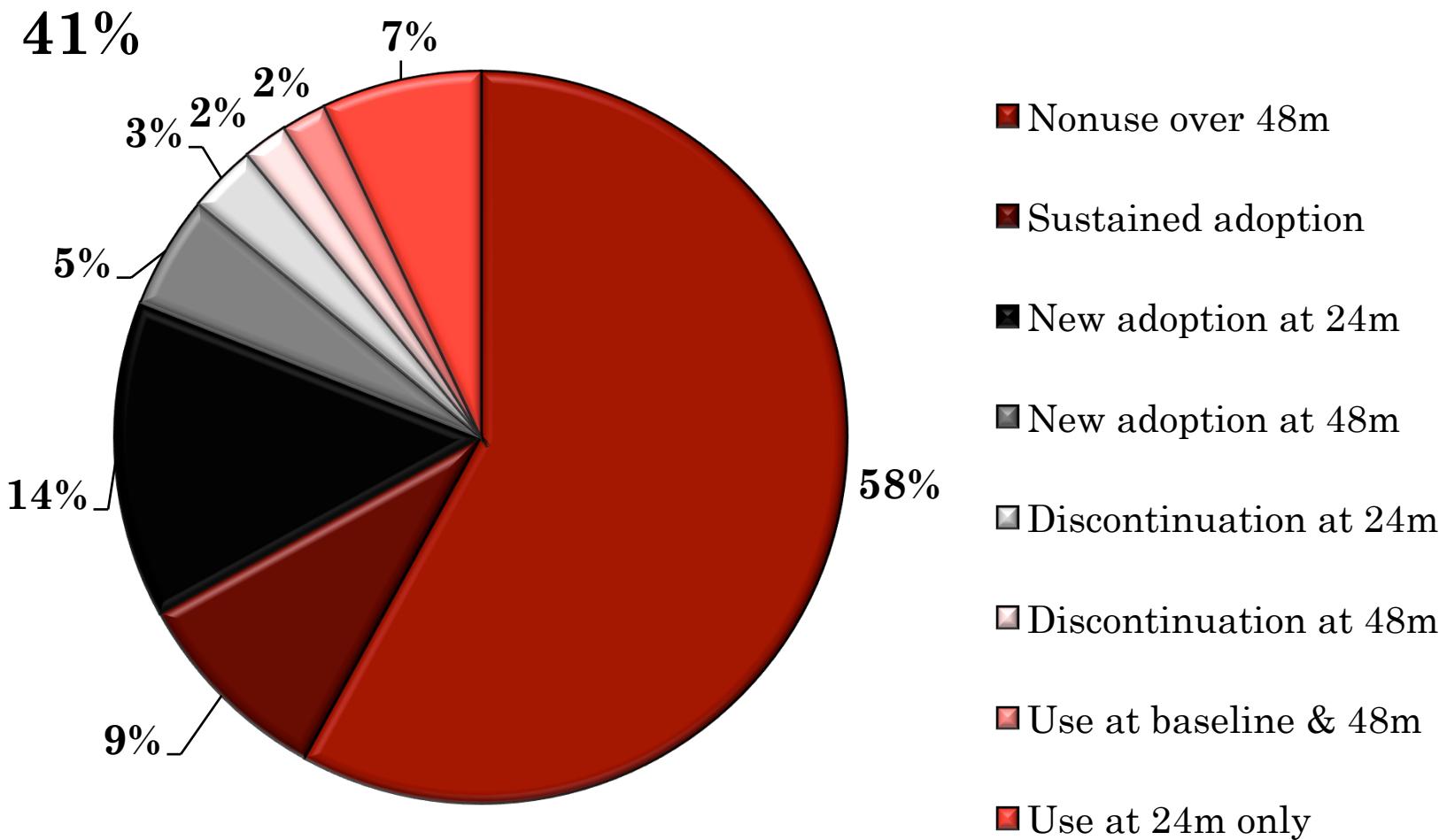
BUPRENORPHINE OVER A 4 YEAR PERIOD IN THE CTN

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ADOPTION OF BUPRENORPHINE OVER 4 YEAR PERIOD IN THE CTN: CROSS-SECTIONAL DATA



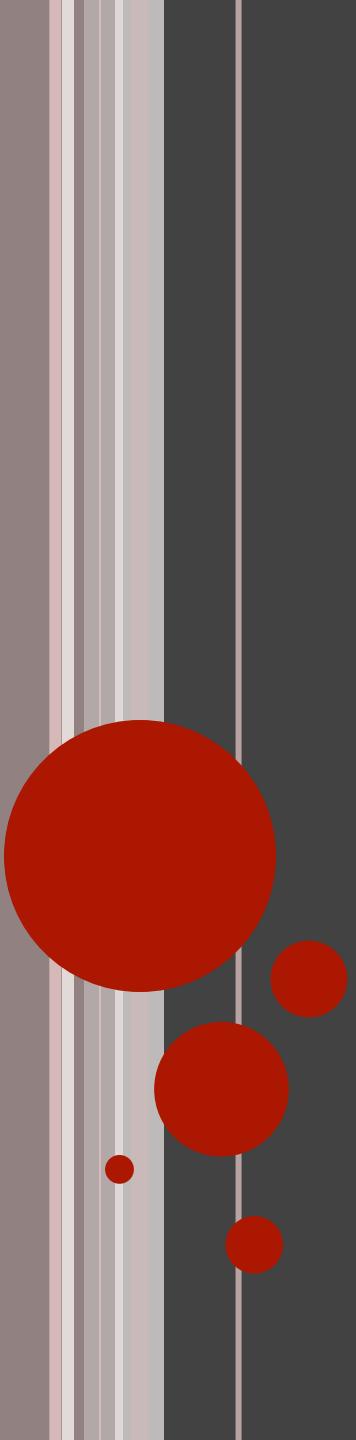
ADOPTION OF BUPRENORPHINE OVER 4 YEAR PERIOD IN THE CTN: LONGITUDINAL DATA (N=129)



BARRIERS TO BUPRENORPHINE ADOPTION AMONG NON-ADOPTERS

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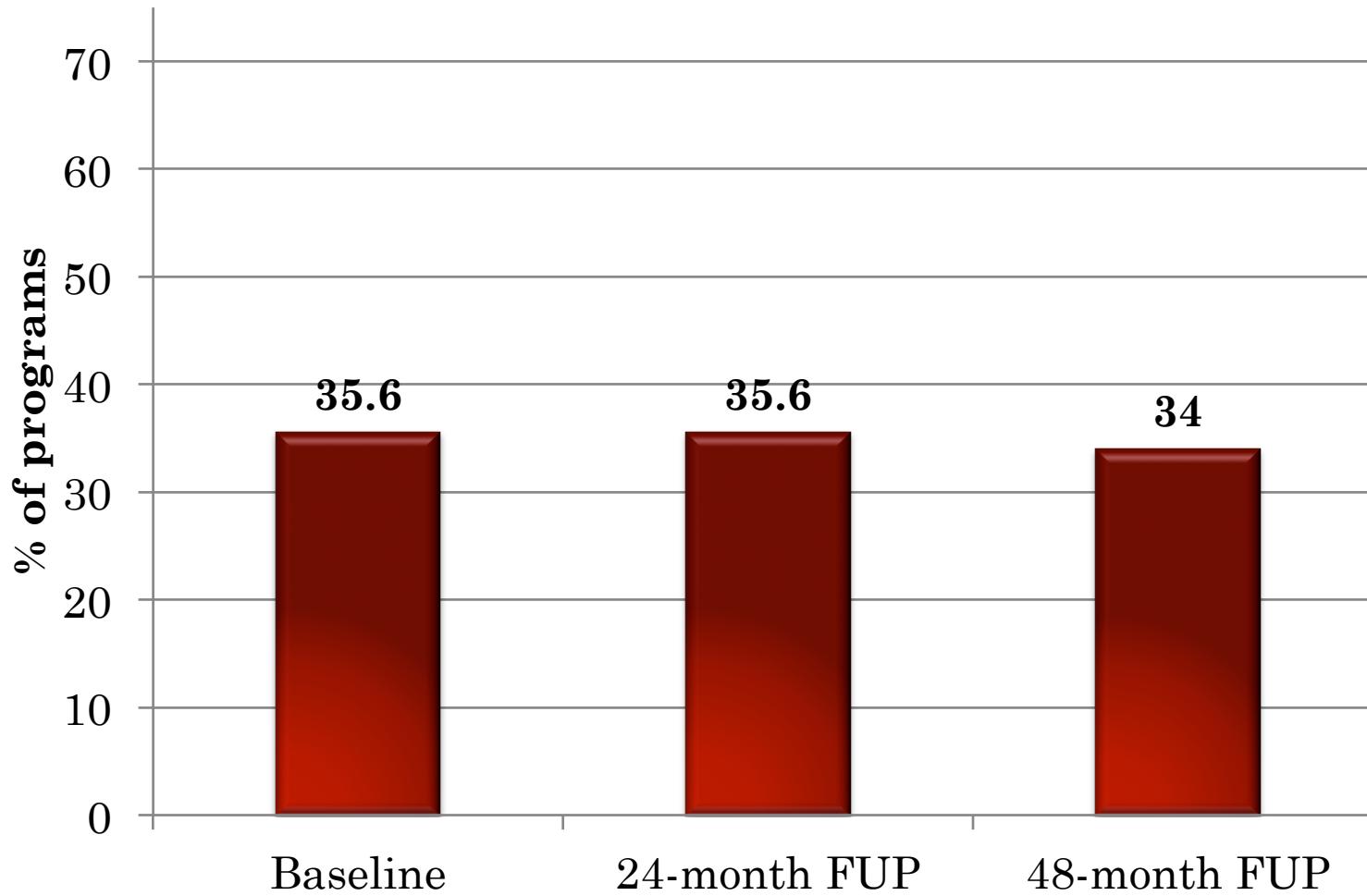
- OTPs (N=21)
 - Cost associated with buprenorphine (23.8%)
 - Lack of access to a waivered physician (19.0%)
- Non-OTPs, do not prescribe any medications (N=156)
 - 38 programs did not have access to prescribing staff, so adoption was not possible
 - Regulatory barriers (25.9%)
 - Inconsistent with treatment philosophy, better alternatives available (18.5%)
 - Liability issues (18.5%)
- Non-OTPs, prescribe other medications (N=40)
 - Cost of buprenorphine (17.5%)
 - Prescriber did not have a buprenorphine waiver (17.5%)
 - Current medical personnel prefer not to prescribe buprenorphine (10%)



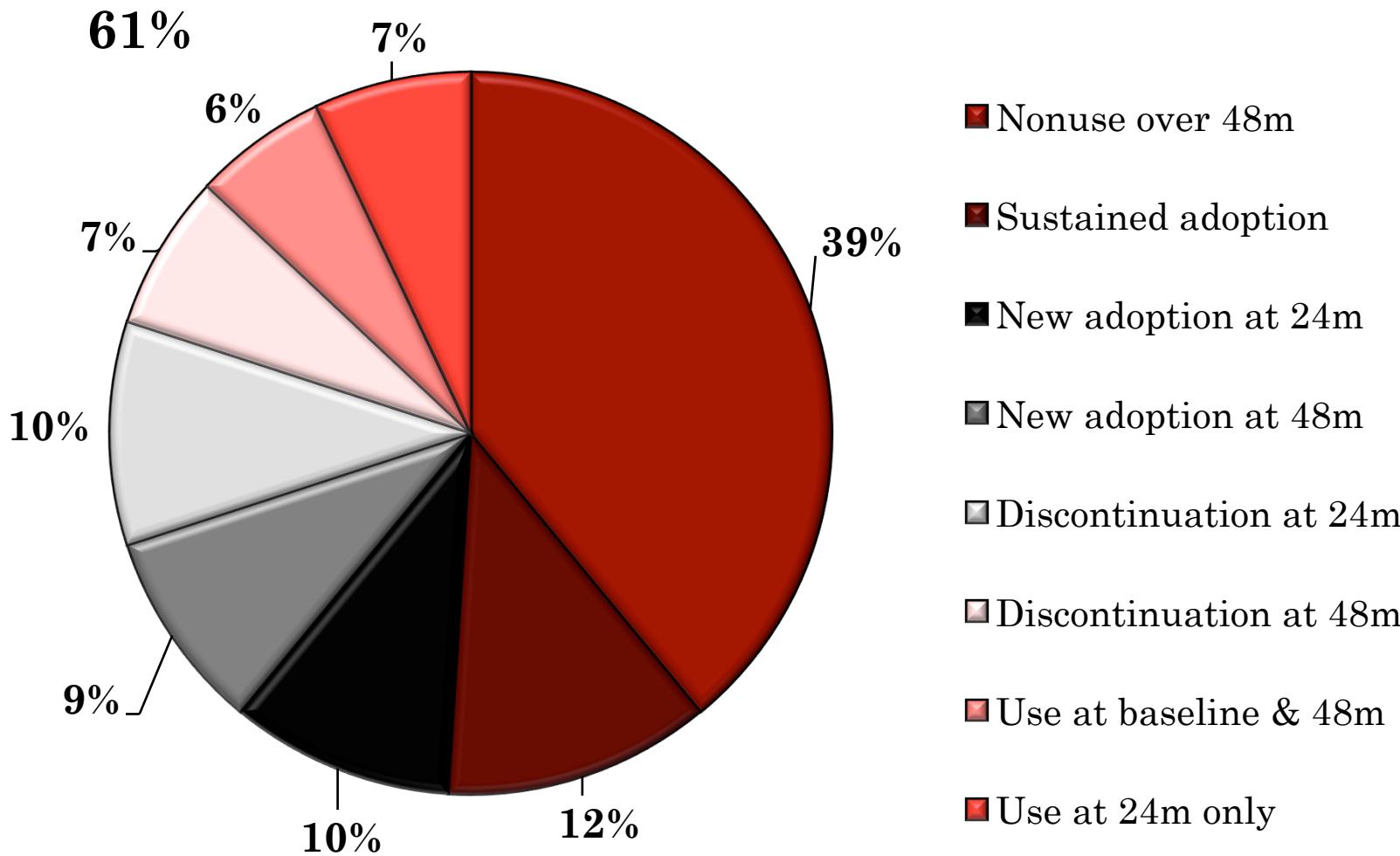
ADOPTION OF MOTIVATIONAL INCENTIVES OVER 4 YEAR PERIOD IN THE CTN

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ADOPTION OF MOTIVATIONAL INCENTIVES OVER 4 YEAR PERIOD IN THE CTN: LONGITUDINAL DATA (N=124)



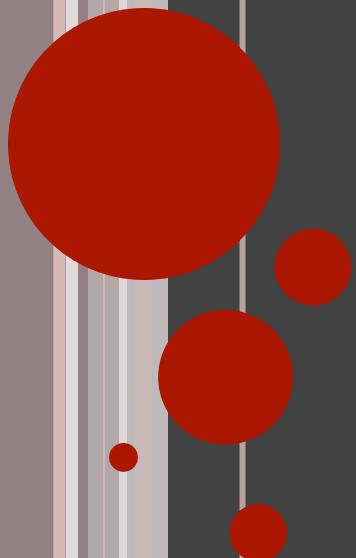
BARRIERS TO MI/CM ADOPTION AMONG NON-ADOPTERS

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- Cost associated with implementation (32.5%)
- Lack of compatibility with program's philosophy (15.4%)
- Logistical issues such as competing demands, short length of stay, lack of a developed protocol for implementing MI/CM (11.4%)
- Perceived ineffectiveness of MI/CM with the program's population (10.6%)



PARTICIPATION IN DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES



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In the past year, have you and your staff...	% (N)
Provided information to the state legislature or legislative committees about evidence-based treatment practices (EBPs) for substance abuse treatment?	35.9% (71)
Provided information to county and/or local governments related to EBPs?	44.4% (88)
Participated in state/local taskforces or workgroups working on issues related to EBPs?	45.5% (90)
Interacted with the SSA or State Methadone Authority on issues related to EBPs?	40.9% (81)
Engaged in discussions with third-party payers and other purchasers of substance abuse treatment services about EBPs?	31.3% (62)

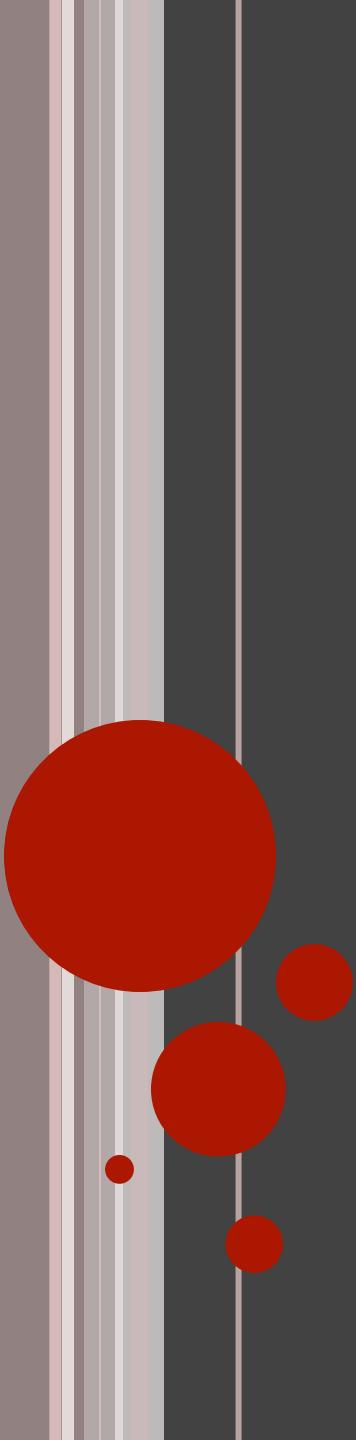
PARTICIPATION IN DISSEMINATION ACTIVITIES, CONT.

Thinking about the past year...	% (N)
Has this CTP organized or led training sessions for other treatment providers about EBPs?	39.9% (79)
Provided technical assistance to treatment organization that was trying to adopt an EBP?	18.7% (37)
Disseminated information specifically about the CTN's activities to other providers?	29.3% (58)
Presented information about EBPs to professional associations?	27.3% (54)
Contributed to the development of journal articles related to the CTN's activities?	21.7% (43)
Participated in the development of articles about addiction treatment for lay publications?	22.7% (45)

SUMMARY OF PLATFORM STUDY FINDINGS

- Successful adoption of buprenorphine in the CTN
- Greater adoption of EBPs in CTN versus non-CTN treatment programs
- Overall importance of research network in promoting adoption of EBPs





USING THE CTN AS A PLATFORM TO STUDY THE COUNSELING WORKFORCE

THREE STRAINS OF RESEARCH ON CTN COUNSELORS

- Attitudes toward evidence-based practices
 - Buprenorphine
 - Motivational incentives
- Implications of Research Involvement for Employee Retention
- Role of Clinical Supervision in Reducing Emotional Exhaustion and Turnover Intention



1. ATTITUDES TOWARD BUPRENORPHINE

KNUDSEN, DUCHARME, & ROMAN. (2007). *AMERICAN JOURNAL ON ADDICTIONS*, 16, 365-371.

- A potential benefit of the CTN is that counselors may learn about EBPs and become more supportive of them
- We asked: Do counselors working in CTPs have more positive attitudes toward buprenorphine?
- We compared CTN counselors to large samples of counselors working in non-CTN programs



KEY FINDINGS

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- There were significant differences in perceived acceptability of buprenorphine between counselors in the CTN and counselors outside the CTN
- These differences were explained by:
 - *Receipt of training* about buprenorphine
 - *Implementation* of buprenorphine in the program
- CTN counselors were much more likely to have received training and to work in a program that had implemented buprenorphine



2. ATTITUDES TOWARD VOUCHER BASED MOTIVATIONAL INCENTIVES (VBMI)

DUCHARME, KNUDSEN, ABRAHAM, AND ROMAN (2010)., THE AMERICAN JOURNAL ON ADDICTIONS, 19(6), 496-503.

- Are counselors' attitudes toward voucher based motivational incentives influenced by direct and/or indirect exposure to VBMI via participation in the CTN?
- Matched sample of CTN programs and a nationally representative sample of public sector treatment programs (2004-2006)

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- A greater percentage of CTN counselors worked in programs currently using VBMI (39% versus 25%)
- CTN counselors reported receiving a significantly greater degree of training about VBMI
- Most counselors believed they had sufficient knowledge to rate acceptability of VBMI
 - However, counselors rated VBMI as the least acceptable behavioral therapy for the treatment of addiction clients



THE IMPORTANCE OF CTN AFFILIATION & TRAINING

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- Counselors working in a *CTN program* and those who received *specific VBMI training* were more likely to endorse VBMI
- Receipt of specific *training* on VBMI was the strongest predictor of VBMI support
- Direct exposure to CTN's MI protocols was not a significant predictor of VBMI attitudes
- Findings suggest counselors' attitudes are influenced by indirect exposure to affirmative findings generated by CTN study protocols



3. RESEARCH INVOLVEMENT AND TURNOVER INTENTION

KNUDSEN, DUCHARME, & ROMAN. (2007). JOURNAL OF SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT, 33, 211-217.

- The CTN offered the unique opportunity to study how counselors' involvement in protocols may shape their intentions to quit
- For the subset of counselors who were directly involved in a protocol, we asked about three dimensions:
 - **Research-related stressors** (e.g. greater administrative burdens, greater workload & emotional stress)
 - **Organizational benefits** of the research (e.g. enhanced job performance, improved client retention)
 - **Organizational costs** of the research (e.g. increased turnover, reduced client retention)

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- Counselors who reported greater ***research-related stressors*** also reported greater turnover intention ($b = .22$)
- Counselors who reported greater ***organizational benefits*** from the research reported lower levels of turnover intention ($b = -.24$)
- Perceived organizational costs were not associated with turnover intention



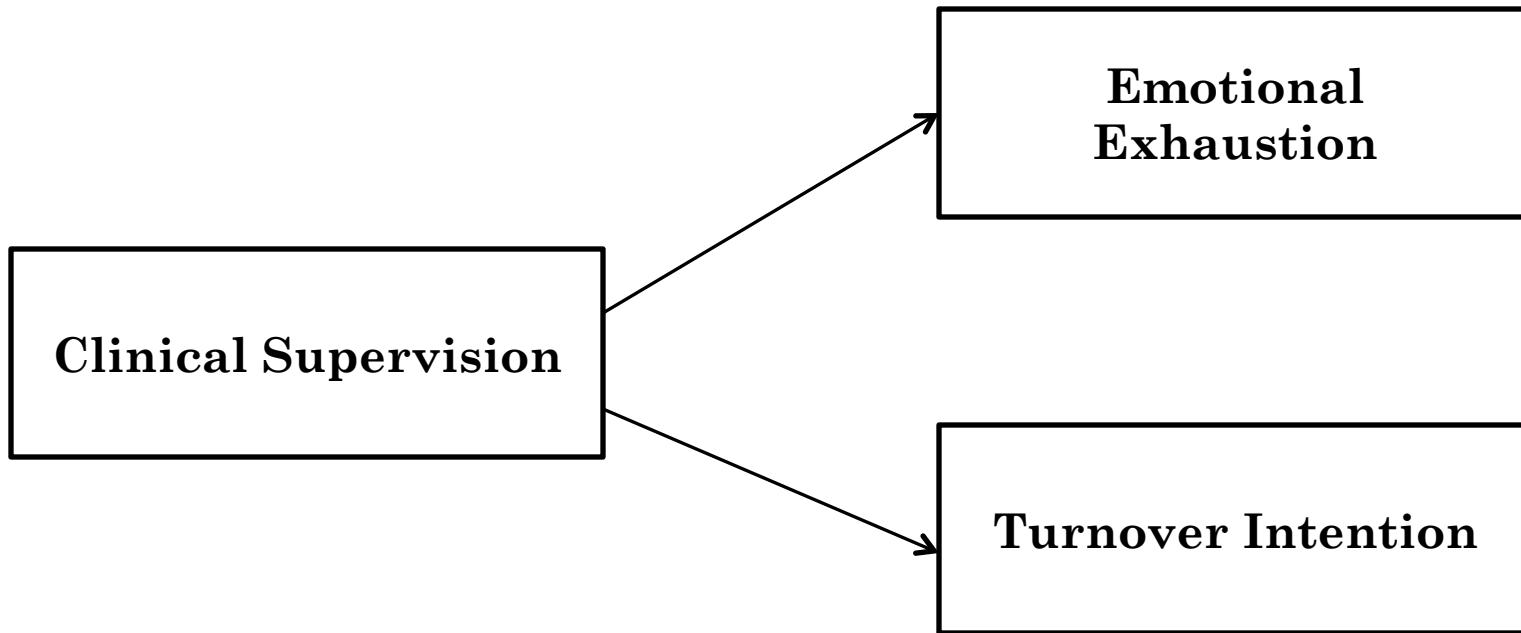
4. THE IMPORTANCE OF CLINICAL SUPERVISION

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- Few studies had examined the role of clinical supervision in reducing emotional exhaustion and turnover intention in the counseling workforce
- Even less was known about mediating factors between clinical supervision and these outcomes
- We examined data from 823 counselors who worked in CTPs



CLINICAL SUPERVISION WAS NEGATIVELY ASSOCIATED WITH EMOTIONAL EXHAUSTION & TURNOVER INTENTION



MEDIATORS OF THESE RELATIONSHIPS

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- These relationships were completely explained by three mediators
 - Job autonomy (power to make decisions that affect one's own job)
 - Procedural justice (procedures are fair in the organization)
 - Distributive justice (rewards are distributed fairly in the organization)
- Clinical supervision was strongly associated with these mediating variables
 - These three mediators were then related to emotional exhaustion and turnover intention



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