## **Healthy People 2010 Operational Definition**

## 15-8. Reduce deaths caused by poisonings.

National Data Source National Vital Statistics System - Mortality (NVSS-

M), CDC, NCHS.

State Data Source National Vital Statistics System - Mortality (NVSS-

M), CDC, NCHS.

**Healthy People 2000** 

Objective

Not applicable.

Changes since the 2000 Publication

Revised baseline (see Comments). Revised target (see Comments).

**Measure** Rate per 100,000 population (age adjusted—see

Comments).

**Baseline (Year)** 7.1 (1999)

Target 1.5

**Target-Setting Method** Better than the best racial/ethnic subgroup.

For a discussion of target-setting methods, see Part

A, section 4.

**Numerator** Number of poisoning deaths (ICD-10 codes X40-

X49, X60-X69, X85-X90, Y10-Y19, Y35.2).

**Denominator** Number of persons.

**Population Targeted** U.S. resident population.

Questions Used To Obtain the National

**Baseline Data** 

Not applicable.

**Expected Periodicity** Annual.

**Comments** The original baseline was revised from 6.8 deaths

per 100,000 population to 7.1 per 100,000 due to changes in the International Classification of Diseases (ICD) system. The original baseline (1998) was based on ICD-9 codes E850-E869, E950-E952, E962, E972, and E980-E982. The revised baseline (1999) is based on the ICD-10 system. The baseline year for all Healthy People 2010 mortality objectives was changed to 1999 so

that a consistent trend based on a single ICD classification scheme could be tracked throughout the decade. See Part A, section 8 for a discussion of the International Classification of Diseases (ICD). Information on comparability between ICD-9 and ICD-10 has been published by NCHS.<sup>1</sup>

Although the target was proportionally adjusted to reflect the revised baseline using the original target-setting method, the original target of 1.5 deaths per 100,000 population did not change.

Data (except those by education status) are ageadjusted to the 2000 standard population using the age groups <1, 1-4, 5-14, 15-24, 25-34, 35-44, 45-54, 55-64, 65-74, 75-84, and 85 years and over. Data by education status are age adjusted using the age groups 25-34, 35-44, 45-54, and 55-64. Ageadjusted rates are the weighted sums of agespecific rates. For a discussion of age adjustment see Part A, section 7.

For some measures, data do not meet the criteria for statistical reliability, data quality, or confidentiality and have been suppressed. Information on suppression of data for the major Healthy People 2010 data systems has been published in a *Healthy People Statistical Note*.<sup>2</sup>

See Part C for a description of NVSS-M and Appendix A for focus area contact information.

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