

Some brief snapshots on the Ticinese cohort study of maintenance treatment: trend and future prospects from the public health point of view

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Public Health Missions

Protect and promote the health of all citizen

- **Assess** and research the health of the community
- Develop and enforce health policy
- Prevent disease and injury
- Educate the public and **train health care providers**
- Provide quality, comprehensive, culturally-proficient health services
- Ensure equal access to all.

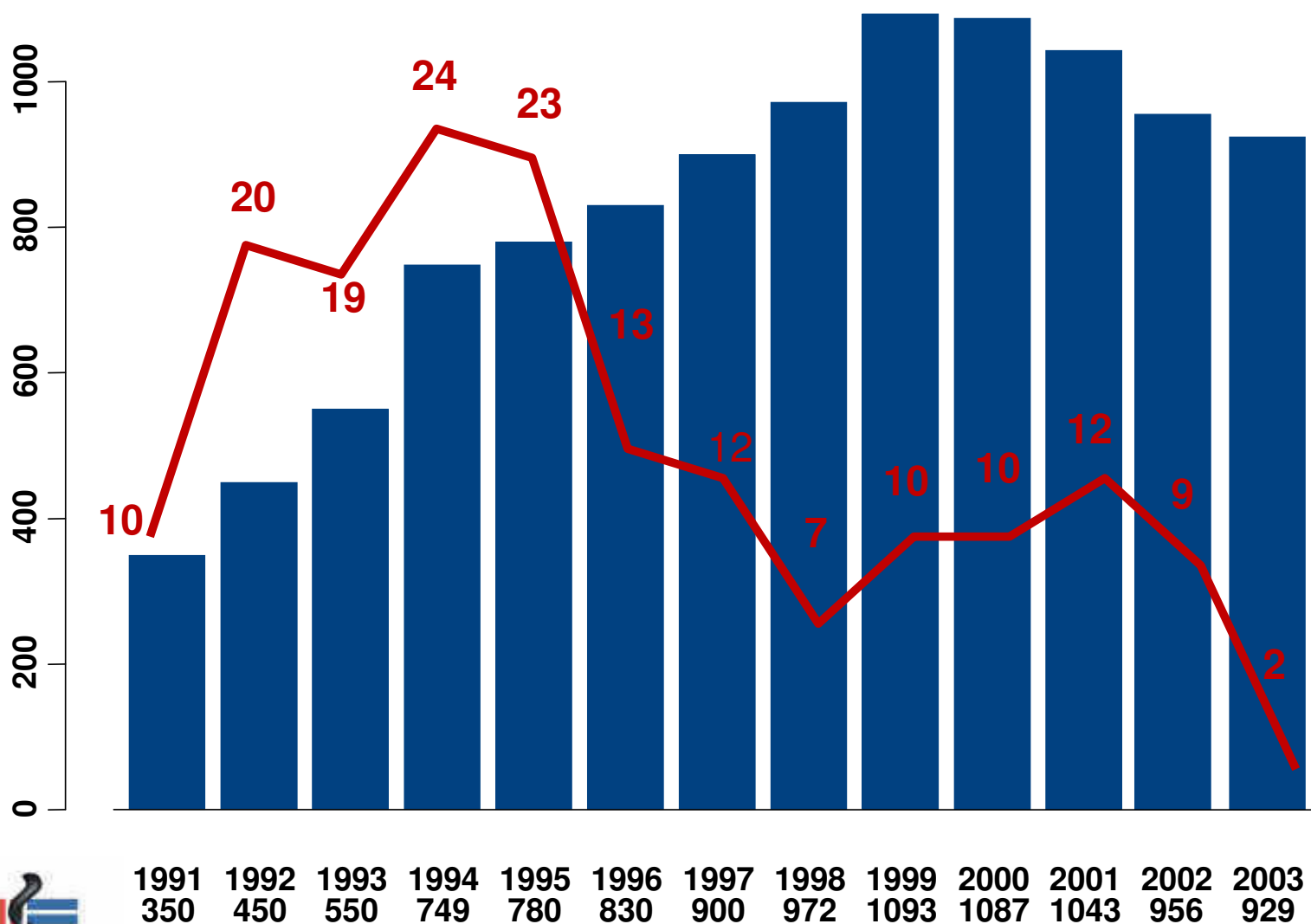


What do we know ?

- General practitioners have heavy time, agenda, and money issues constraints...
- Psychiatric ambulatory services are reluctant to follow drug addict patients who are often looked on as pain in the neck...
- Results from the study cohort:

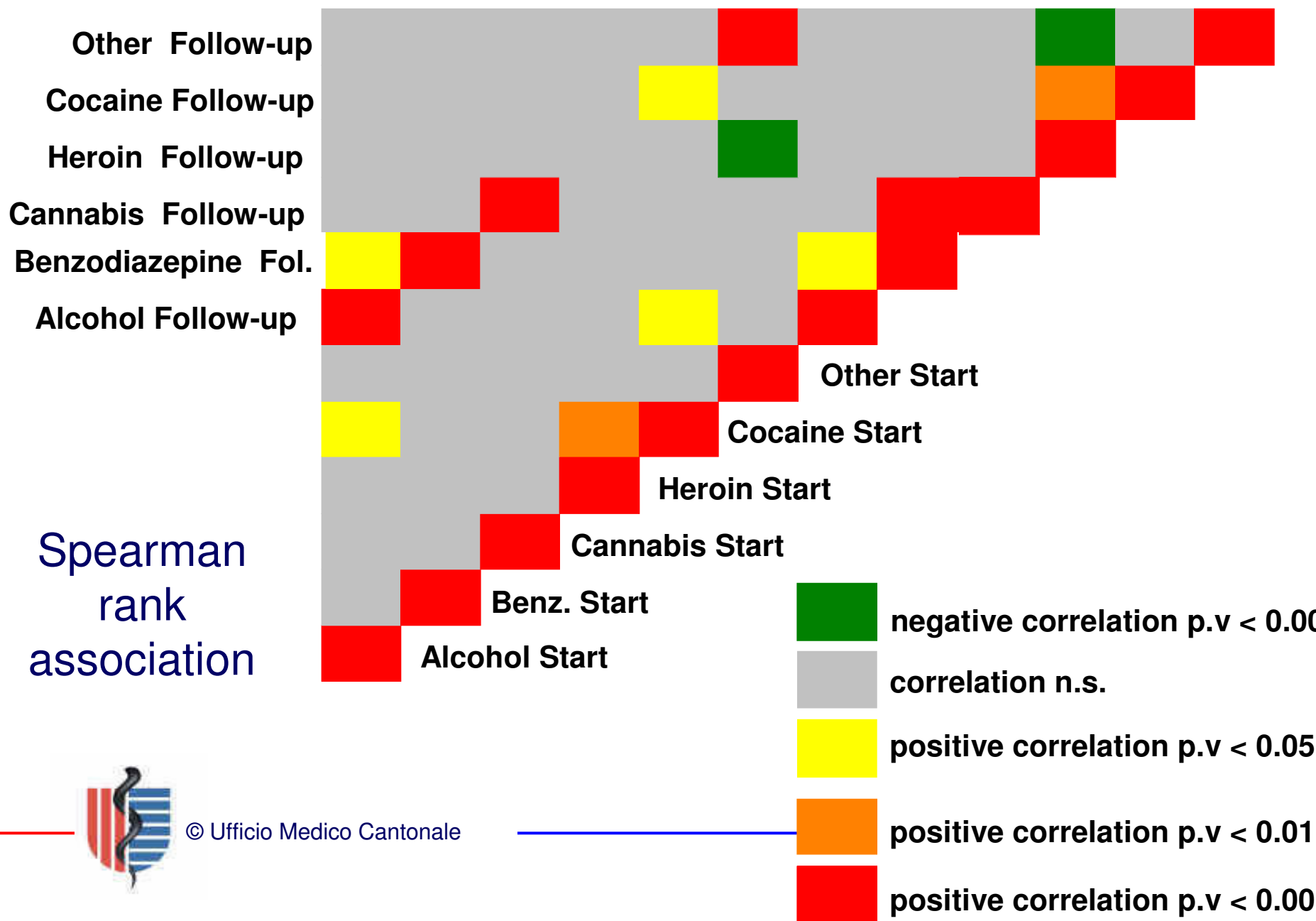


Number of patients in treatment in Ticino and **deaths by overdose registered** by the Police

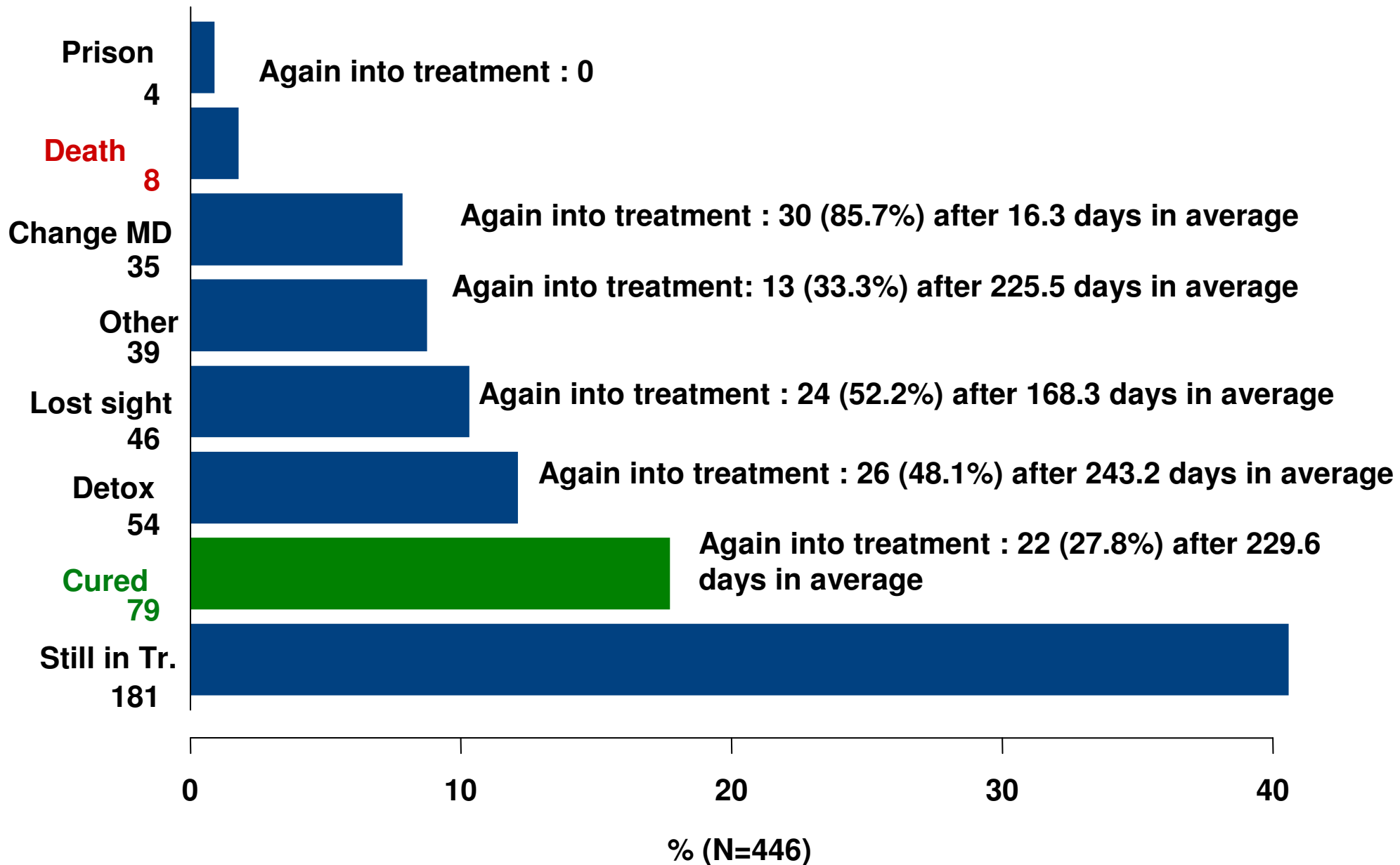


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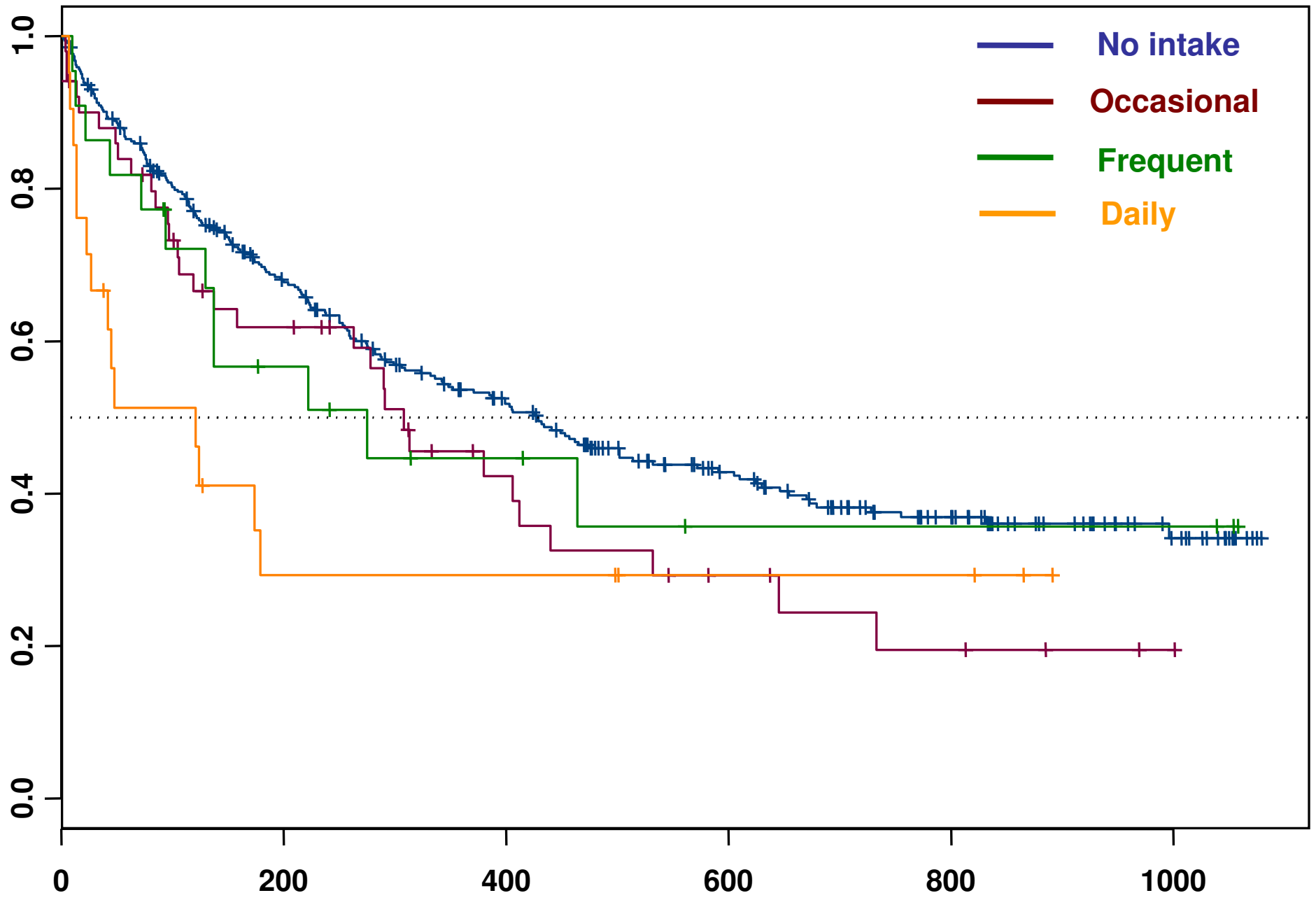
Summary substance intake after one year of treatment



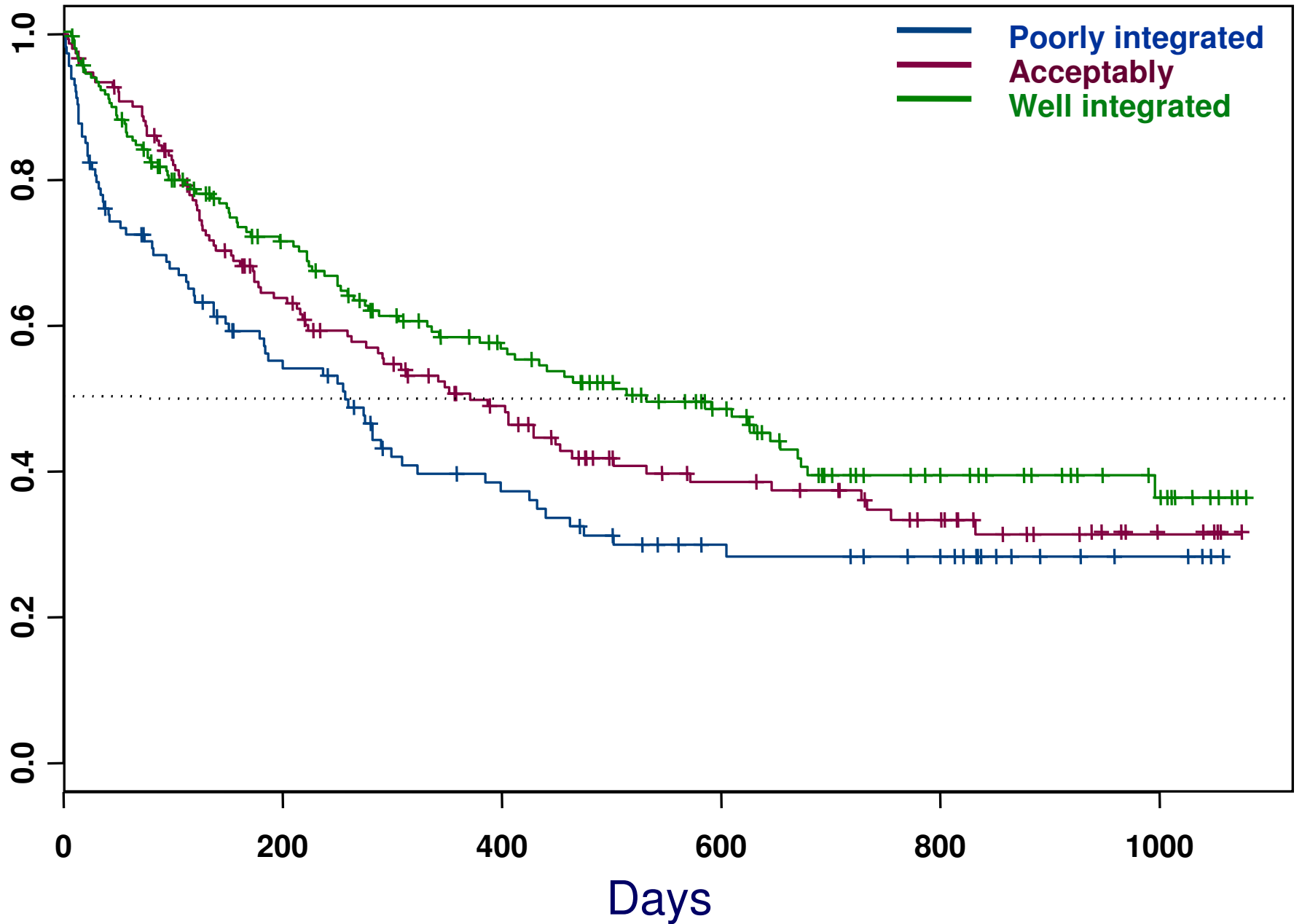
Follow-up treatment or first reason for stopping



Retention into treatment by cocaine intake at Start

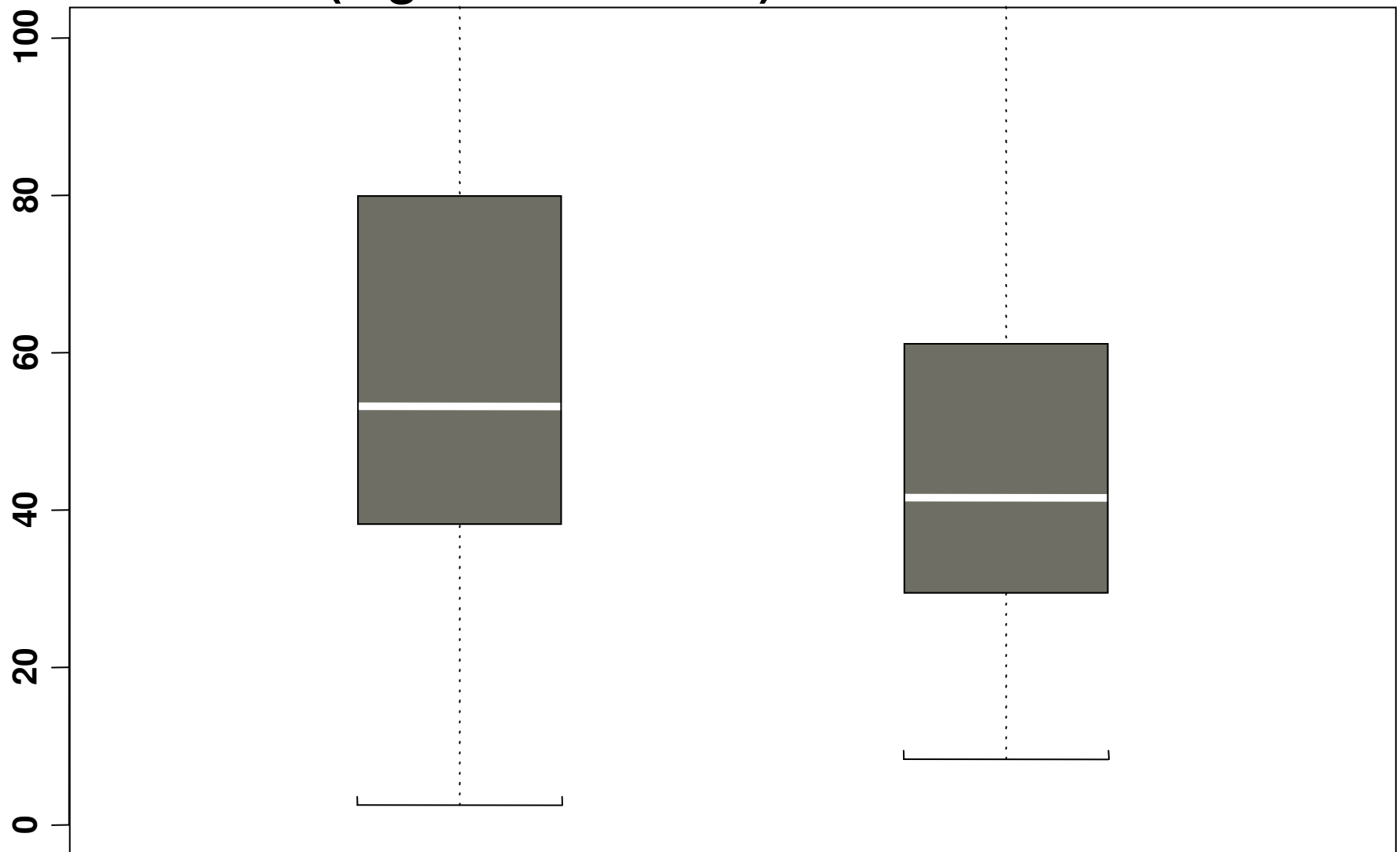


Retention into treatment by social integration at Start



Boxplot of the daily dosage (mg of Methadone) FEB 03 - JUL 03

**! Attention y axis
truncated !**



GE
median= 53.2
mean= 64.7

TI
median= 41.6
mean= 48.2

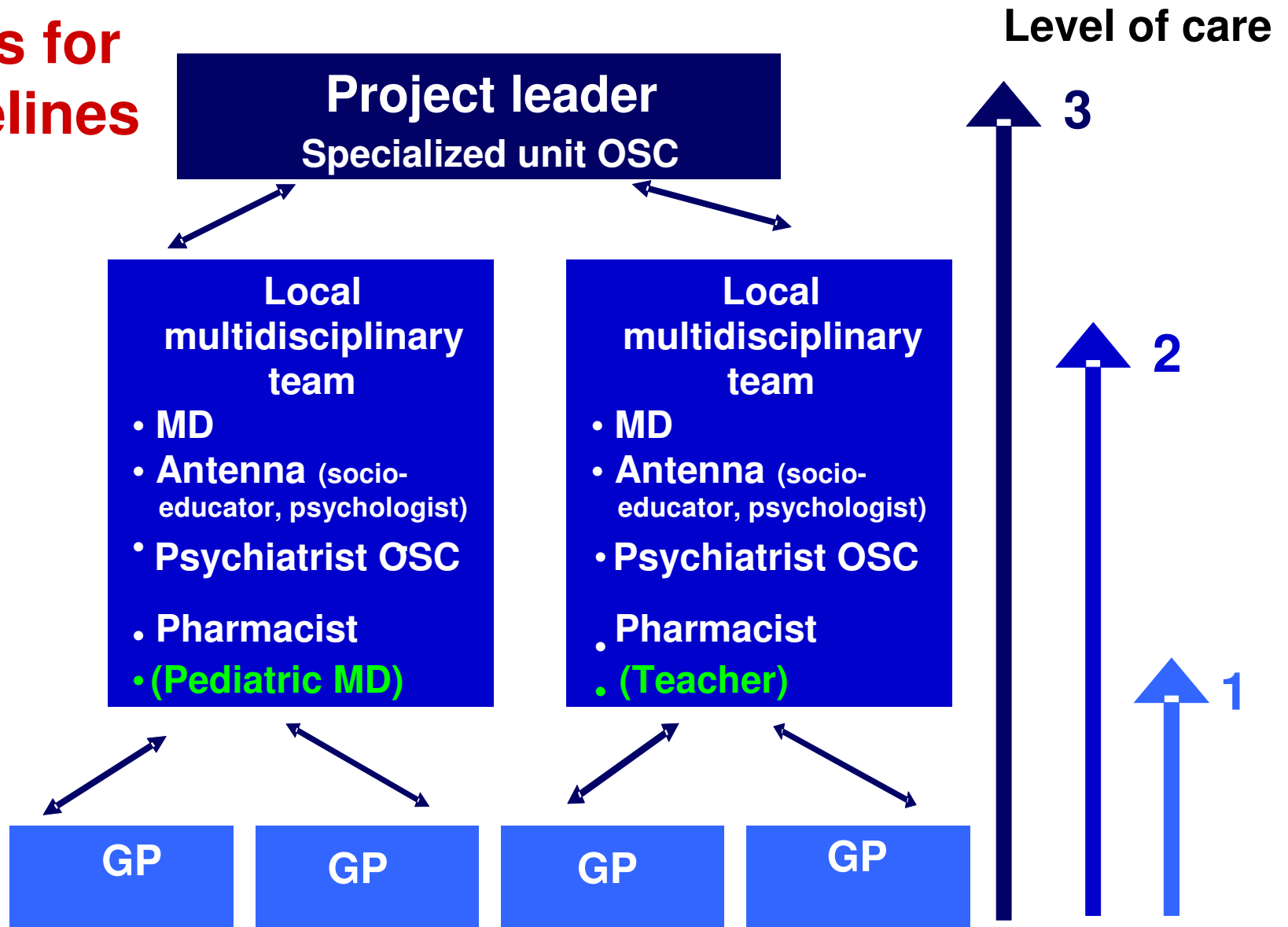
**! First treatment
registered only**

Prospects

- cope with a daily situation of a peripheral area without specialized centre and still marked by a profound mix of parochial and religious background
- **promote multidisciplinary** (AMTiTox)



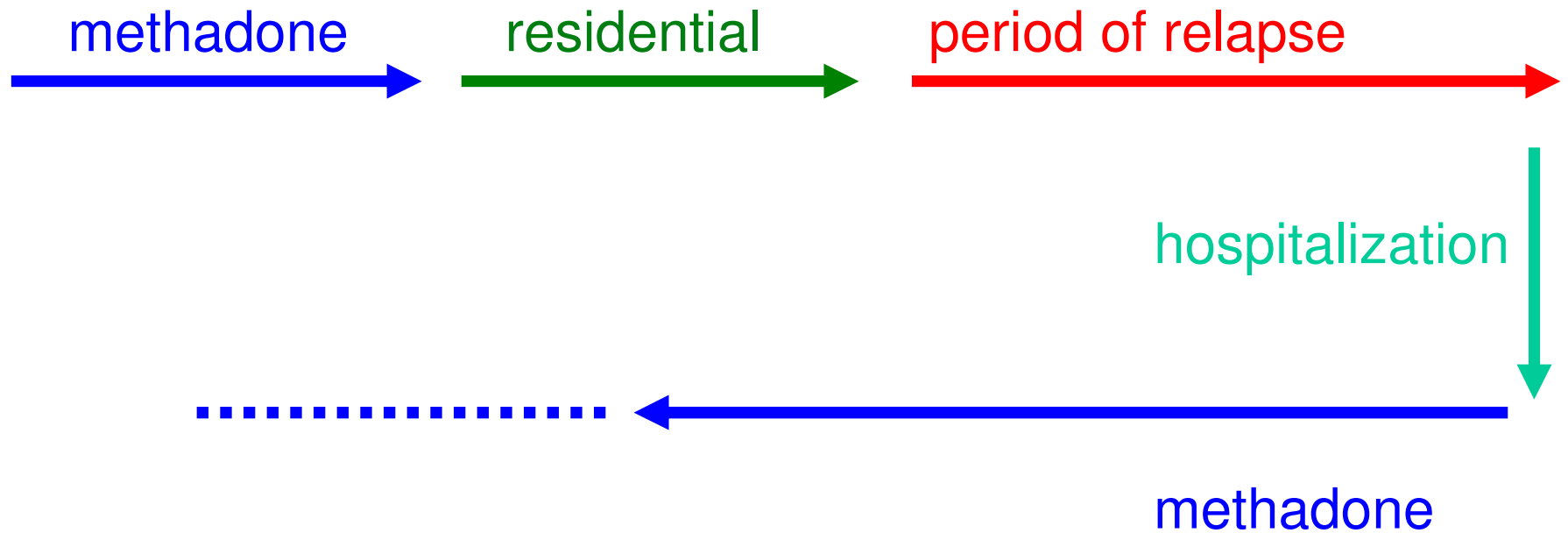
Needs for guidelines



AMTiTox 2004 - 2007

Needs for efficiency

What kind of patients use which structure and when?



Dépendances et drogues



Needs for advocacy example SSPH...

SGPG - Schweizerische Gesellschaft für
Prävention und Gesundheitswesen
SSSP - Société suisse de santé publique
SSSP - Società svizzera di salute pubblica
SSPH - Swiss Society for Public Health

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Needs for advocacy example APHA

Key Votes

- 1 - Motion to Table Kennedy Minority Health Funding Amendment to FY2003 Omnibus Appropriations
- 2 - Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 2003
- 3 - Daschle Amendment to Increase Funding for Indian Health Service, FY2004 Budget
- 4 - Lautenberg Amendment to Reinstate Superfund Tax for Toxic Waste Cleanup, FY2004 Budget
- 5 - Harkin Amendment to block DOL Overtime Rule to LHHS Appropriations
- 6 - Lieberman Global Warming Amendment
- 7 - Durbin Amendment to Increase Global HIV/AIDS Funding to the Foreign Operations Appropriation Act
- 8 - Medicare Prescription Drug and Modernization Act of 2003

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Vote Scorecard	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	
Alabama	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Score
Shelby (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Sessions (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Alaska	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Score
Stevens (R)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	12%
Murkowski (R)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	12%
Arizona	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Score
McCain (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	25%
Kyl (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Arkansas	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Score
Lincoln (D)	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	50%
Pryor (D)	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	75%

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Key Votes

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Public Health Infrastructure

Senate Votes

Rejected	Durbin Amendment to Increase Global HIV/AIDS Funding to the Foreign Operations Appropriation Act 10/31/2003	✓
Agreed To	Harkin Amendment to block DOL Overtime Rule to LHHS Appropriations 09/10/2003	✓
Rejected	Lautenberg Amendment to Reinstate Superfund Tax for Toxic Waste Cleanup, FY2004 Budget 03/25/2003	✓

✓=We Supported ✗=We did not Support --=No Position

House Votes

Failed	Toomey Amendment, to Block NIH Grant Funds, LHHS Appropriations Act, 2004 07/10/2003	✗
Failed	Obey Amendment to Block DOL Overtime Rule to LHHS Appropriations 2004 07/10/2003	✓

✓=We Supported ✗=We did not Support --=No Position

Smallpox

House Votes

Failed	Small Pox Vaccination Compensation Fund Act 03/31/2003	✗
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Medicare