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NPAIHB COVID-19 Weekly Update

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Information for Today's Call

Agenda

- ▶ Welcome & Introduction: Chairman Lewis
- ▶ Introduction of New Staff: Laura Platero
- ▶ NPAIHB COVID-19 Situation Report: Celeste Davis
- ▶ Indian Health Service Update: Dean Seyler
- ▶ Data Update and Request for Immunization Data: Victoria Warren-Mears
- ▶ State Partner Updates:
 - ▶ Washington: Lou Schmitz, Tamara Fife, Jessie Dean and Tam Lutz
 - ▶ Oregon: Julie Johnson and Sue Steward
 - ▶ Idaho: Joyce Broadsword and Jessica Leston
- ▶ Legislative and Policy Update: Laura Platero and Veronica Smith
- ▶ Questions/Comments

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NPAIHB COVID-19 Situation Report

Celeste Davis

C-19 Emergency Response - NPAIHB Situation Report: 1/5/21

Stay the Course!

- ▶ Vaccinations: How's it going?
 - ▶ NPAIHB seats on Oregon and Idaho Vaccine Advisory Committees
 - ▶ Continue to educate, but focus on getting the vaccine into arms
- ▶ Policy interventions: Mandatory masks and limitations on gatherings/number of people per setting
- ▶ New tests available for screening (EUA authorization)
- ▶ Investigation and Tracing: Surge guidance, training, and TA if needed
- ▶ Clinical Education and Support: TeleECHOs are back - upcoming discussions on vaccines and Sars-CoV2 variants
- ▶ Clinic Infection Control & Prevention: Reminder about CDC TeleICAR

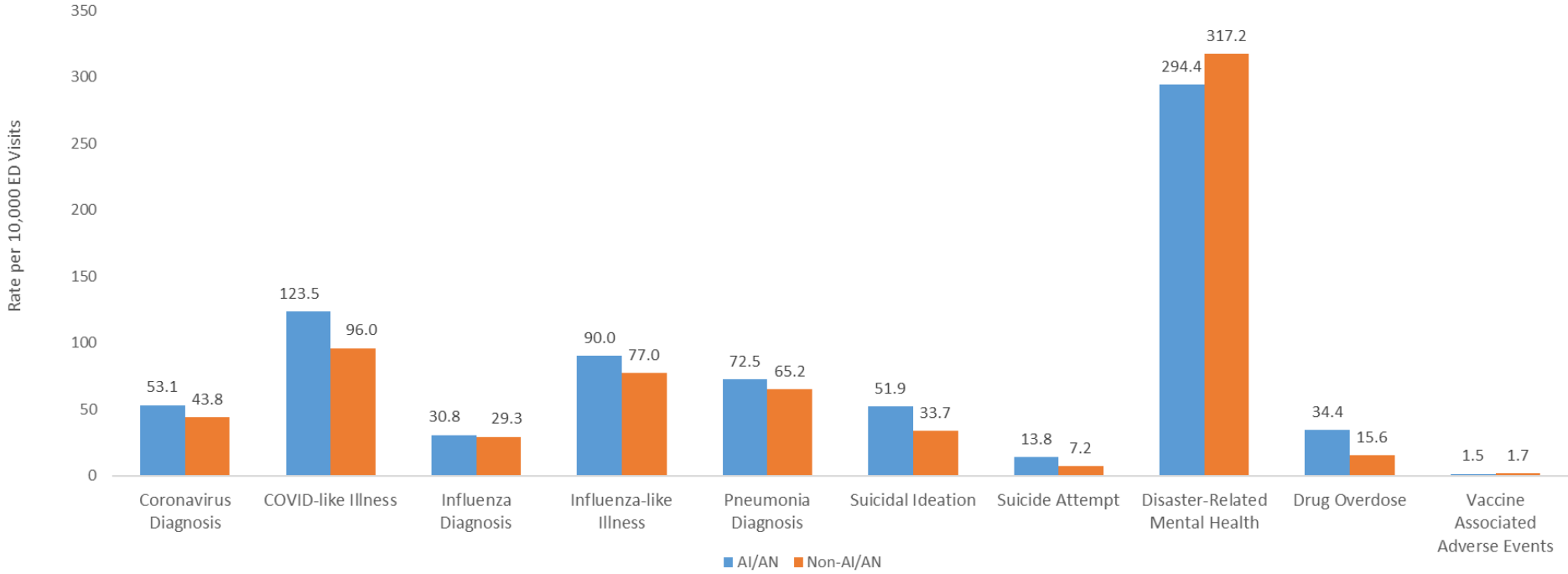
Indian Health Service Update

Dean Seyler

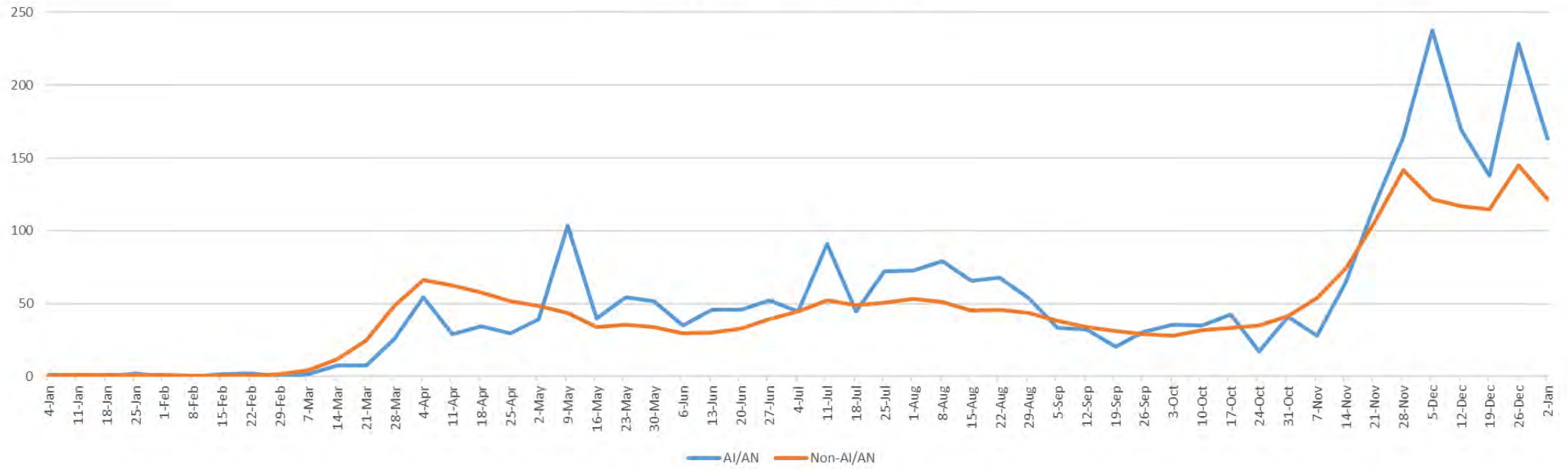
Data Update

Victoria Warren-Mears

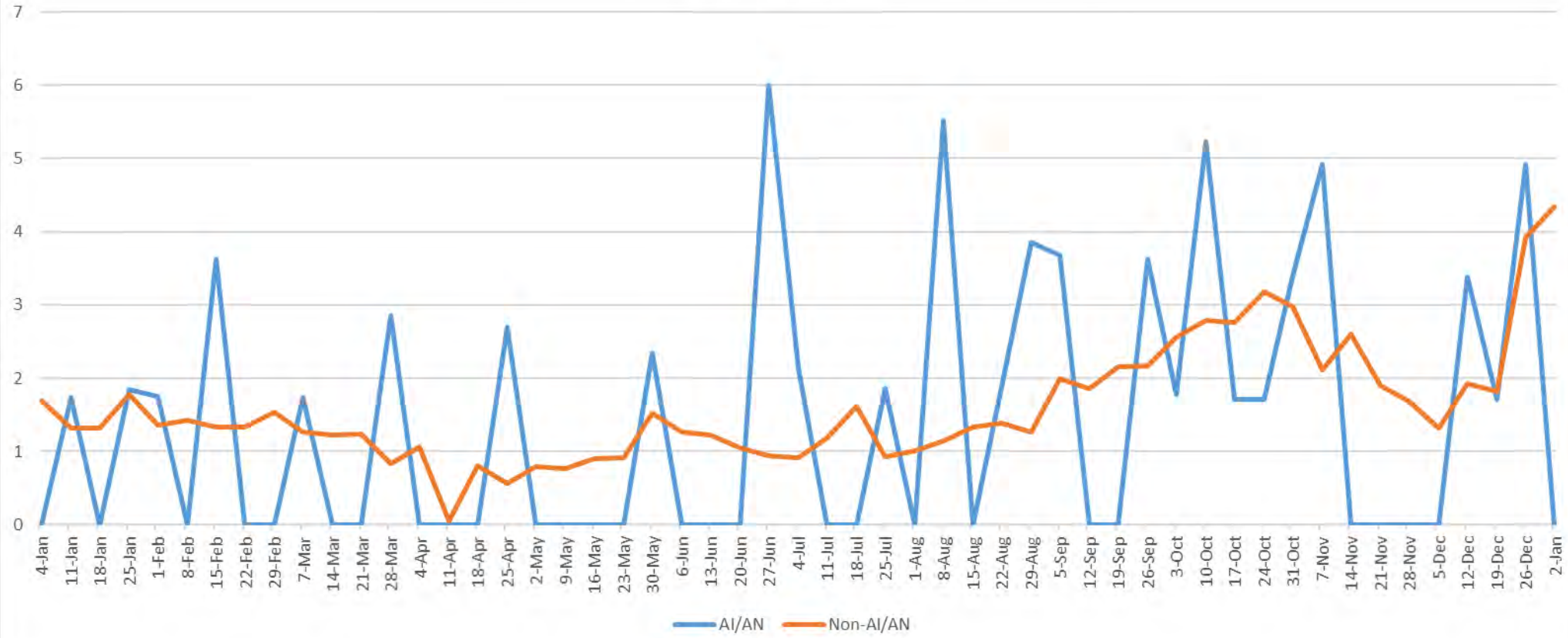
COVID-19 Emergency Department Indicators by Race†
Washington State, Rates



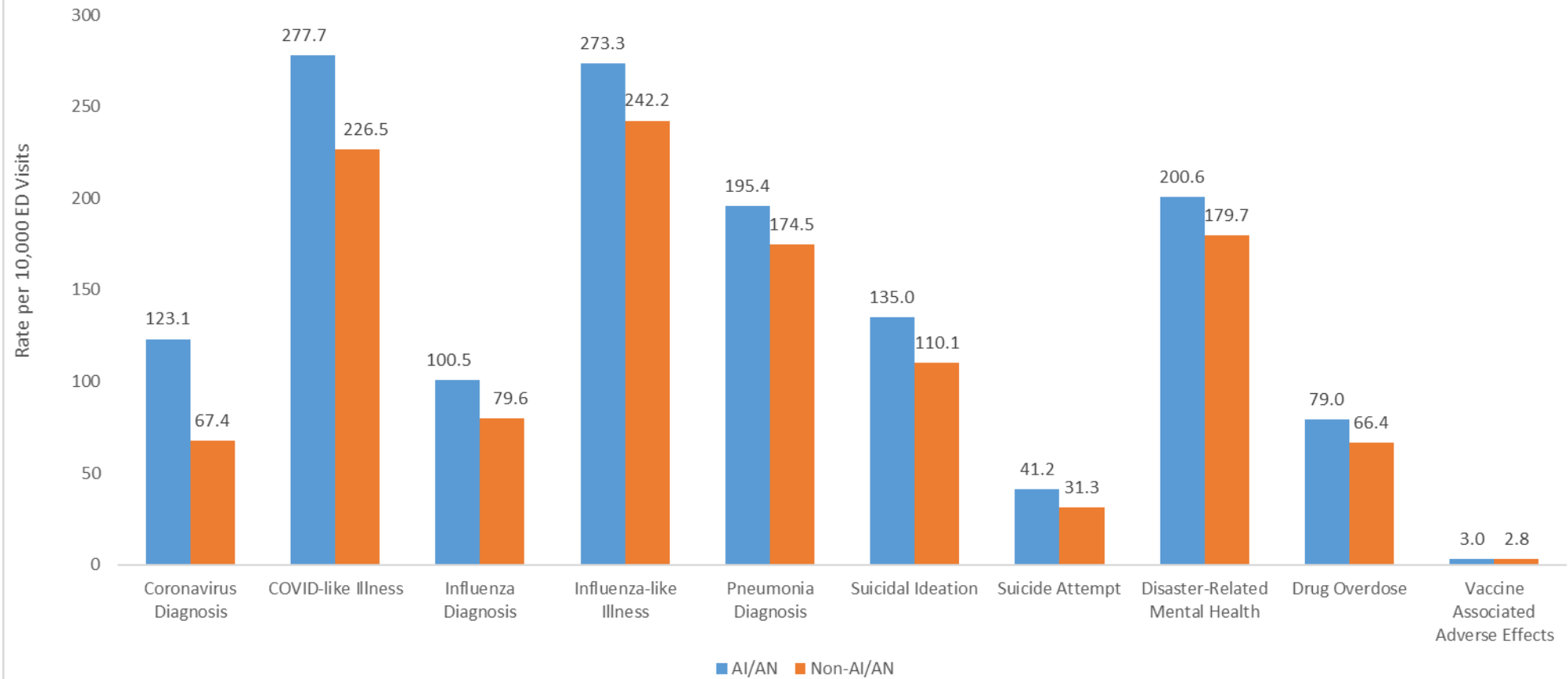
COVID-19 Diagnoses By Race, Over Time
Weekly Rates, Washington State



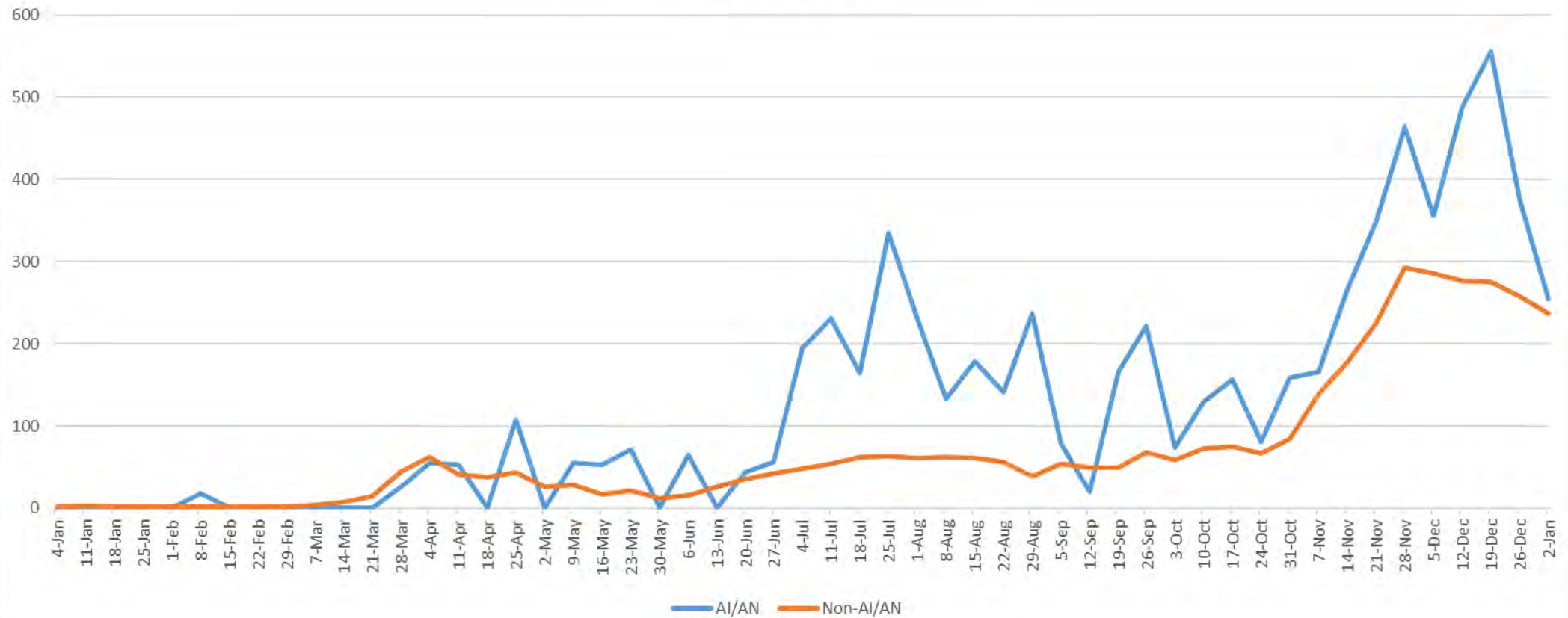
Vaccine Associated Adverse Events ED Visit Rates by Race†
Washington State



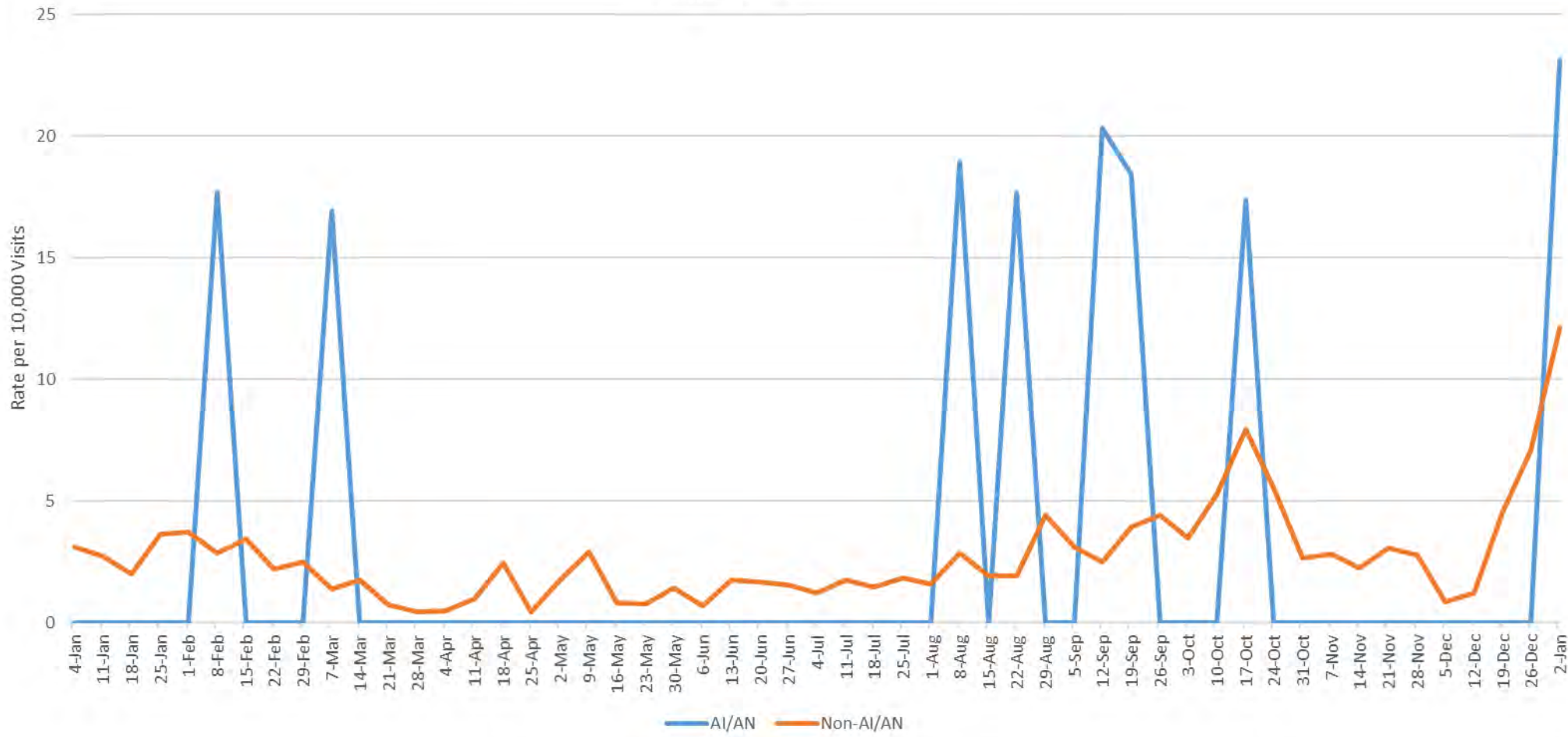
COVID-19 Emergency Department Indicators by Race in Oregon



COVID-19 Diagnosis Visit Rates by Race†
Oregon State



Vaccine Associated Adverse Effects Visits by Race†
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Update to Data Collection for Portland Area Indian Health Service

- ▶ Streamlined collection of data
- ▶ Adding data for vaccine administration to give us an idea of vaccine uptake
- ▶ Additional questions on existing NPAIHB COVID-19 data survey
- ▶ Eliminating some unneeded questions to make reporting quicker & easier
- ▶ Revised survey launching before start of next week

State Partner Updates

Washington AIHC/DOH/HCA: Lou Schmitz, Tamara Fife, Jessie Dean and Tam Lutz

Oregon OHA: Julie Johnson and Sue Steward

Idaho DHW: Joyce Broadsword and Jessica Leston

Legislative and Policy Update

Laura Platero and Veronica Smith

FY 2021 IHS Appropriations

	FY 2020	FY 2021
Overall	\$6.04 billion	\$6.23 billion
Hospitals/Clinics	\$2.32 b	\$2.23 b
EHR	\$8 million	\$34.5 million
PRC	\$964 m	\$975 m
CHRs	\$62.88 m	\$62.89 m
BH	\$245 m	\$251 m
Sanitation	\$193 m	\$196 m
Facilities	\$911 m	\$917 m

Section 105(I) leases funded at \$101 m, indefinite appropriation

CHAP, Health Ed, CHR - maintained as separate line items

\$5m for nationalization of CHAP, \$2m for DHAT Training in ID,OR,WA,AK

Direction for consultation re Section 105(I) leases in legislation

FY 2021 Tribal Specific Funding, other Agencies

- \$15m at HRSA for placement of National Health Service Corps officers in the ITU system
- \$1.5m Tribal set-aside in the Minority HIV/AIDS Prevention and Treatment Program
- \$22m for the Good Health and Wellness in Indian Country Program at the CDC
- \$41.5m for Tribal Behavioral Health Grants through SAMHSA
- \$50m tribal set-aside for opioid response grants (SAMHSA)
- \$11m for medication assisted treatment (SAMHSA)
- \$2.4 million set-aside for American Indian/Alaska Native Zero Suicide grants
- \$2.931 million for American Indian/Alaska Native Suicide Prevention Initiative

Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act, 2021

- ▶ COVID-19 Relief Highlights
 - Tribal governments have until December 31, 2021 to use the Coronavirus Relief Funds received (CARES ACT)
 - Unemployment insurance benefits will have addt'l \$300/week through March 14, 2021
 - \$3 billion addition to Provider Relief Fund
 - Provider Relief Fund language changes re: expenses and revenue losses
 - \$125m tribal set-aside at SAMHSA
 - \$7 million for tribal nutrition programs under the Older Americans Act
 - \$790 million to IHS for COVID testing/tracing, surveillance
 - \$210 million to IHS for vaccine distribution, education, and COVID related expense
 - \$150m/year through FY 2023 for the Special Diabetes Program for Indians

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- ▶ \$790 million to IHS for COVID testing/tracing, vaccine tracking, access and coverage, reimburse for vaccine promotion, preparedness, tracking and distribution expenses prior to the enactment of this Act; funds available through FY 2022
- ▶ \$210 million to IHS for testing, contact tracing, surveillance, containment and mitigation of COVID-19, workforce support, scaling up public health testing, funds for community based testing sites, mobile testing sites, and other COVID-related activities; available through FY 2024
- ▶ Funds appropriated through the CDC and the Public Health and Social Services Emergency Fund; interagency transfer directed in the bill
- ▶ Consultation held yesterday, comment letters due January 8, 2021
 - ▶ Learned that the \$790m requires updated COVID-19 testing plans
 - ▶ Also requires those testing plans to be made public

Other Leg and Policy Activities

- ▶ IT Modernization - DTLL issued on December 10, 2020
 - Options for IT Modernization at IHS
 - RADM Weahkee recommending full replacement
 - Virtual listening sessions: Dec 17, 2020 and Jan 14, 2021
 - Comment deadline: Jan 24, 2021
 - NPAIHB Tribal Caucus re: IT Modernization needed, before or at the QBM?
- ▶ 340B Advisory Opinion from the HHS Office of the Inspector General issued December 30, 2020
 - Advisory opinion states that drug manufacturers are required to delivery discounts under the 340B Drug Pricing Program on covered outpatient drugs when contract pharmacies are acting as agents of 340B covered entities

Questions & Comments