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A preliminary report will be given on the formulation and analysis of a heroin/fentanyl epidemic model. This model, consisting of a system of ordinary differential equations, aims to better understand the dynamics between prescription opioid use, prescription opioid addiction, heroin/fentanyl addiction, and recovery from opioid addiction. (Received September 05, 2019)