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Washington State Opioid Awareness Campaign

### About Me

- [Name]
- [Title]
- [Organization]
- [How/why you work in opioid awareness/education 6 words or less]





#### Purpose Statement

The Starts with One campaign is designed to inform and educate young adults, their parents, and older adults about the dangers of prescription drug misuse and the importance of safe storage, use, and disposal.





#### Your Role

The campaign is supporting the work of local communities around the state. People are taking simple steps to be part of the solution and to prevent opioid misuse. We all play a role.





# What is an opioid?

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- Commonly used to reduce pain
- Common prescription opioids include:
  - Oxycodone
  - Hydrocodone
  - Codeine
  - Morphine
  - Fentanyl
- Heroin is an illegal opioid





# How does an opioid affect you?

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- Dulls perceptions of pain
- Negatively affects the reward center in the brain
- Can affect the brain's reward (pleasure) center
- Can make a person feel euphoric (high)
- Highly addictive



# Who is affected by opioids?

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- Opioids are highly addictive. Anyone taking prescription opioids could become addicted.
- Nearly half of people misusing pain relievers, including prescription opioids, get them from a friend or family member.







#### Ask your doctor about other ways to manage pain.







#### Do not share your prescriptions.







Never use another person's prescriptions.







Talk with your kids about the risks of opioid misuse.







#### Lock up your medications.







Safely dispose of unused medications at a take-back location near you.

MedTakeBackWashington.org







#### Talk with your family and friends about the risks of opioid misuse.





## How to respond to an overdose

### Signs of an Overdose

#### **SLOW OR NO BREATHING**

#### WON'T WAKE UP

#### PALE, ASHY, COOL SKIN

#### **BLUE LIPS OR FINGERNAILS**





#### How to Respond to an Overdose

- Call 911 for help
- Check for signs of an opioid overdose
- Give naloxone and give rescue breaths
- Stay with the person until medical help arrives



# Learn more, share information

## Sharing Information

- In our community
- Existing tools and resources
  - Social media content
  - Posters
  - Rack cards
  - Videos





## Sharing Information

- GetTheFactsRX.com
  - Learn more about opioids
  - Learn more about safe storage and disposal
  - Conversation starters
  - Resources
  - Treatment resources
  - Items for download to share



#### Resources Available





## honest conversation

Nearly half of people misusing pain relievers, including prescription opioids, get them from a friend or family member.<sup>1</sup>

You can be the one to help keep your family safe. Talk with your kids and share the facts with other parents.

Learn more at GetTheFactsRx.com **STOP OPIOID MISUSE** Your influence matters

/ Young people in Washington say that their parents are one of the biggest influences on their decision to use or not use drugs.<sup>2</sup>

 Talk to your kids about the risks of opioid misuse.

Encourage your kids to talk with their doctor about other ways to treat pain.

Lock up your medications.

 Dispose of unused medications safely at a take-back program near you. Find one at MedTakeBackWashington.org.

\*Source: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Admin \*Source: 2021 Healthy Youth Survey







#### simple step You can be the one to STOP keep your family safe. OPIOID It begins with one step. One act of courage. One honest conversation. MISUSE When it comes to preventing opioid misuse, you can make a difference. Talk with your loved ones and share the facts.

family member.<sup>1</sup>

Resources Available

act of courage

Help a friend. Share the facts. GetTheFactsRx.com

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KNOW What is an Opioid? Opioids are a specific class of drugs commonly used to

FACTS

**OTHER** 

RELIEF

**OPTIONS** 

PAIN

reduce pain. Opioids prescribed by doctors include oxycodone, hydrocodone, codeine, morphine, fentanyl, and others. Heroin and illicitly manufactured fentanyl are also opioids.

Opioids can negatively affect the reward center in the brain. Over time, a user may need more and more, making these drugs highly addictive.4

If you are prescribed an opioid, talk with 6 ÷ your doctor about

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#### YOUR Lock up your medications. INFLUENCE

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ways to manage pain. Encourage your loved ones to do the same.

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your loved ones and prevent opioid misuse before it starts.

Dispose of unused medications



#### You have a role to play. You are part of the solution.





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