

# Prevention Programs & Tools

Toolkits, evidence-based approaches, media campaign materials and other helpful information for use in prevention efforts to combat the opioid crisis.

## [National Prevention Week](#)

National Prevention Week, observed annually in May, is dedicated to raising awareness about the importance of substance use prevention and positive mental health.

## [It Only Takes A Little to Lose A Lot - Rx Awareness Campaign](#)

The Rx Awareness campaign tells the real stories of people whose lives were torn apart by prescription opioids. The goal of the campaign is to increase awareness that prescription opioids can be addictive and dangerous.

## [Opioids Epidemic Practical Toolkit: Helping Faith and Community Leaders Bring Hope and Healing to Our Communities](#)

This toolkit, developed by the HHS Center for Faith-based and Neighborhood Partnerships, contains practical steps your organization can take to bring hope and healing to the millions suffering the consequences of opioid abuse disorder.

## [How Can Prescription Drug Misuse Be Prevented?](#)

Physicians, their patients, and pharmacists all can play a role in identifying and preventing nonmedical use of prescription drugs.

## [Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs \(PDMPs\)](#)

Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs) are state-run electronic databases used to track the prescribing and dispensing of controlled prescription drugs to patients. Learn more about PDMPs and find related resources.

- [Call to Action and Issue Brief: Justice System Use of Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs— Addressing the Nation’s Prescription Drug and](#)

## Opioid Abuse Epidemic

### Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPT)

CAPT promotes the application of prevention science to advance state, tribal, jurisdictional, and community efforts to address substance use and misuse.

### Operation Prevention

The DEA and Discovery Education have joined forces to combat a growing epidemic of prescription opioid misuse and heroin use nationwide. Operation Prevention's mission is to educate students about the true impacts of opioids and kick-start lifesaving conversations in the home and classroom.