

SAFETY BLITZ FOUNDATION

# PREVENTION PLAYBOOK









Published in memory of Jack O'Kelley and the 112,000 victims of fentanyl who died in 2023.

OVERDOSES ARE
THE TOP CAUSE OF
DEATH FOR AMERICANS
UNDER 50.

# FAKE IS FATAL. PILLS. POWDERS. VAPES.

"I lost my son-in-law to fentanyl and am a full time dad raising two grandkids. Please help tackle fentanyl before it affects your family."



Randy White
Pro Football Hall of Famer

TACKLE



# 7 OUT OF 10

pills with fentanyl contain a lethal dose.





115 million pills laced with fentanyl were seized by law enforcement in 2023, more than the previous 6 years combined.

## REMEMBER: FAKE IS FATAL

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ADDERALL





XYCODONE





XANAX





# THE DANGERS OF ILLEGAL VAPES

Illegal disposable vapes are intentionally targeting youth with candy flavors, cartoon packaging and even come camouflaged as school supplies and video games.

They are unregulated and may contain unknown, possibly harmful nicotine levels.

"US seizes more illegal e-cigarettes, but thousands of new ones are launching."

Associated Press

"China floods US e-cigarette market with illegal vapes" — Fox News

"A new e-cigarette with built-in video games is being illegally sold in New York and other parts of the United States, critics warn." — NY Post

### ILLEGAL VAPING FACTS

# **2515**%

Good News: Youth usage of vapes is down 62% since 2019.

Bad News: Youth usage of illegal disposable vapes has risen 2616% since 2019. Find out which vapes are unauthorized here.



Currently, the U.S. vape market has been **flooded with illegal flavored disposable vapes**, overwhelmingly manufactured in China.



of fentanyl is all it takes to kill someone.



# 75%

of overdoses in 2023 were from a synthetic opioid, primarily fentanyl found in fake pills and vapes.

## FENTANYL FACTS

2MG IS A LETHAL DOSE OF FENTANYL



**50X** 

more powerful than heroin

100X

stronger than morphine



A trace amount of fentanyl, just two grains of salt in size, can cause a fatal overdose. Fentanyl is regularly found in counterfeit pills.

# CONVERSATION STARTERS

#### TEENS RESPOND TO FACTS.

Providing factual and unbiased information in a judgment-free zone is the most effective form of communicating the dangers of drug use. As a parent, open communication is key.



#### **CONVERSATION TIPS**

- Start talking when they are young and build a healthy relationship with your children.
- Plan multiple informal conversations during everyday activities.
- Don't lecture. Use active listening and show empathy and support.
- · Create an exit plan for sticky situations.

#### **KEY TAKEAWAYS**

- Never share prescription drugs.
- Don't use prescription drugs to get high.
- Never take someone else's prescription.
- Don't change a prescribed dosage without consulting a doctor.





#### Watch the Documentary

Deceptive drugs made of fentanyl are killing young people across America at an alarming rate.

Learn about it now before it kills you or someone you love.



### KNOW THE CODE

Teens use common emojis to communicate about prescription drugs.

#### Percocet & Oxycodone

















Xanax

Adderall











#### Dealer Advertising















**High Potency** 



#### Meth











#### Heroin





#### Cocaine



















# SIGNS OF OPIOID MISUSE

## ✓ BEHAVIORAL SIGNS

- Isolation and secretive behavior
- Loss of interest in favorite activities
- Strange sleeping hours
- Erratic and/or extreme emotions
- Neglect of personal hygiene
- Missing important appointments
- Drop in grades or work performance
- Change in attitude/ personality

## PHYSICAL SIGNS

- Small pupils, the size of pinpoints
- Decreased respiration rate
- ✓ Non-responsive or ✓ Tired slow to respond
- Intense flu-like symptoms: nausea, vomiting, sweating, shaking of hands, feet or head

If you see these signs, please ask for help. 1-800-662-HELP (4357) findtreatment.gov



## THE YOUTH OPIOID CRISIS

46%

By the time they're in 12th grade, 46.6% of teens have **tried illicit drugs.** 

12-25

Youth and young adults between the ages of 12 and 25 are more likely to use illicit drugs than adults 26 and older.

90%

of addictions begin during teenage years.

**46**%

Up to 46% of former high school athletes exhibit lifetime opioid use.

988

## CALL OR TEXT 988

Call or text any time.
Open 24 hours a day.
Don't be afraid to ask for help.

IT'S A CONFIDENTIAL CALL. NO ONE WILL KNOW YOU CALLED BUT YOU.

988 SUICIDE & CRISIS



of teens who misuse prescription drugs get them from friends of family.

**47**%

of teens say it's easy to access a parent's prescription medications.

#### **REDUCE MEDICATION MISUSE:**

- 1. Secure Your Medications.
- 2. Discard Leftover Medications.

REMEMBER SCRATCH OUT ANY PERSONAL INFORMATION BEFORE DISPOSAL.

# GET RID OF LEFTOVER PILLS BEFORE THEY HARM YOUR LOVED ONES



#### IN-HOME

Use an in-home drug disposal device such as DisposeRx® or consult with local officials on other safe methods of in-home disposal.



#### TAKE BACK EVENTS

National Drug Take Back Day is always the last Saturday in October and April.



#### DROP OFF

Use the QR code to find local disposal drop off boxes, often located in pharmacies and law enforcement agencies.



## NALOXONE CAN REVERSE AN OVERDOSE

Naloxone can reverse an overdose from opioids—including heroin, fentanyl and prescription opioid medications—when given in time. Naloxone is safe to administer to anyone. Even if they are not having an overdose, it won't hurt them.

If you suspect someone is experiencing an overdose, always call 911 first.

Popular names for naloxone nasal sprays include Narcan® and Kloxxado®. Pack naloxone with your child before they go off to school. They too can save a life.

Naloxone is available over the counter at your local pharmacy and online.





# TACKLE FENTANYL. DEFEAT OVERDOSES.

"It's never too late, or too early, to start talking to your kids."





LEARN MORE AT COACHESVSOVERDOSES.COM