

**Enough painkillers are prescribed to medicate every American around-the-clock for a month.**



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**Male youth athletes are twice as likely to be prescribed opioid painkillers and four times more likely to abuse them.**



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**Nearly half of young people who inject heroin,  
reported abusing prescription opioids  
before starting to use heroin.**

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**After a tooth extraction, 61% of  
14-17 year olds are prescribed opioids**



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# What are opioids?

**Opioids are medications that relieve pain.**

**In New Jersey alone, over 2.75 million prescriptions for highly addictive opioids were potentially prescribed – to children, friends, and family members, and unfortunately, many times without the benefit of any information of their addictive qualities.**



**If you would like additional information or need help for your family, please visit:**

- [CaresNJ.org](http://CaresNJ.org)
- [DrugFreeNJ.Org](http://DrugFreeNJ.Org)
- [KnowAddiction.Com](http://KnowAddiction.Com)
- [NJHelps.Org](http://NJHelps.Org)

**Or contact  
NJ Addiction Services Hotline:  
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