

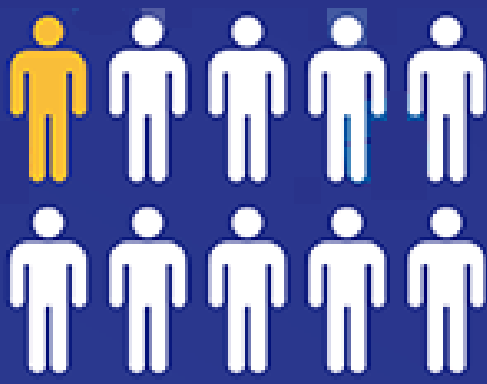
OPIOID MEDICATION

A Risk for Children and Teens

How often are children and teens exposed to opioid medication?

Each year, opioid medication poisoning causes more than **300 deaths in children and teens.**

Every 45 minutes, poison control centers get a call about children and teens exposed to opioid medication



About **1 in 10** of these cases are **admitted to a health care facility**

What ages of children and Teens are most at risk?

Young children (ages 5 and younger) Account for **60%** of these calls

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Most cases (86%) are **unintentional**, like when a child finds pills that are in reach

Teenagers (ages 13 through 19) Account for **30%** of these calls

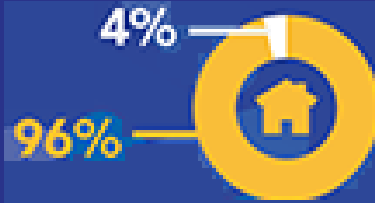
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Most cases (72%) are **intentional**, like when a teen takes their parents' medication

How do I keep my kids safe?

96% of these poisonings happen at **home**



Store medications up, away, and out of sight



Keep track of medications, so you know if any go missing



Get rid of old, unwanted medications safely



Talk to your teen about medication abuse