Opioids

Data from the Utah Poison Control Center (UPCC)

Opioid-related deaths are a growing public health problem. Drug poisoning deaths continue to outpace motor vehicle crash deaths in Utah and the United States. From 2013-2015, Utah ranked 7th in the US for drug poisoning deaths. According to the Utah Department of Health, the most common opioids involved in poisoning deaths in Utah are oxycodone, methadone, and fentanyl. Since 2011, deaths from fentanyl and oxycodone have increased while deaths from methadone and hydrocodone have decreased. Pain medication is prescribed for individual patients. It should never be shared with anyone. Store all medications out of sight and reach of children.

The following 3 graphs show trends of all opioid cases over the last 5 years.

This graph documents the outcome of the exposures reported to the UPCC involving opioids.
Naloxone reverses and stops an opioid overdose. The CDC recommends expanding access to naloxone. For information on reversing an overdose with naloxone, click here: [http://www.opidemic.org/overdose](http://www.opidemic.org/overdose).

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