



NATIONAL **SAFETY** MONTH 2015

70% of people who abuse prescription pain relievers get them from friends or relatives.

The bad side of good medicine

Sold under the brand names **Vicodin, OxyContin, Percocet & Dilaudid**, opioid pain relief medicine is highly addictive.
Use it carefully!

- **Don't share your medications** - you may endanger someone's life
- **Take as directed** - the safest use is the lowest possible dose for the shortest period of time
- **Store securely** - opioids are highly abused and often "borrowed" or stolen.
- **Don't keep old prescriptions** - dispose of them safely once you're done taking them
- **Know your workplace prescription drug policy** - prescription opioid use greatly increases your risk of workplace incidents

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