FACT: NEARLY 1 OUT OF EVERY 5 AMERICANS OVER 65 YEARS OLD HAVE ABUSED PRESCRIPTION MEDICATIONS.

NARCOTIC AND OPIOID PAINKILLERS CAN PUT ANYONE AT RISK OF ADDICTION.

Physical signs of narcotic and opioid painkiller addiction may include:

- Noticeable elation/euphoria
- Marked sedation/drowsiness
- Confusion
- Constricted pupils
- Slowed breathing
- Intermittent nodding off or loss of consciousness
- Constipation

If you are prescribed a narcotic or opioid painkiller:

- There are highly effective non-narcotic painkiller alternatives. Ask your doctor, physician, dentist or prescribing medical professional
- Take only as needed, and never more than directed by your prescribing medical professional
- Don't share your prescription painkillers with anyone
- Store prescription painkillers securely *– a locked cabinet or drawer is ideal*
- Safely dispose of expired, unused, or unwanted prescription medications *- see DoseofRealityWI.gov/Drug-TakeBack for locations in Wisconsin*

To Find Drug Take Back locations near you visit: *DoseOfRealityWI.gov/Drug-TakeBack*

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