

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



Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day

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The statewide single-day initiative mobilizes the prevention and treatment communities, community leaders and concerned citizens to raise awareness of the potential for dependency on prescribed pain medicine and its link to heroin abuse rates. In response to the success of the event last year, the New Jersey Senate unanimously approved legislation designating October 6 in perpetuity as Knock Out Opioid Abuse Day in New Jersey.