

PAIN KILLERS CAN BE JUST PLAIN KILLERS

In December 2017, Governor Henry McMaster declared the state's opioid crisis to be a public health emergency and established the state's Opioid Emergency Response Team, led by the S.C. Law Enforcement Division and the Department of Alcohol and Other Drug Abuse Services. Through this team, representatives of state and federal law enforcement agencies, state health and regulatory agencies, healthcare providers, and other stakeholders have combined their data on opioid use, misuse and addiction to help inform South Carolina's approach to the crisis.

SOUTH CAROLINA

PRESCRIPTIONS

Number of opioid prescriptions dispensed.

3,553,269

NALOXONE

Number of naloxone administrations via EMS.

10,804

HOSPITALIZATIONS

Opioid-related overdose hospitalizations.

8,119

CHILDREN

Newborns identified with Neonatal Abstinence Syndrome.

281 ^{REPORTED}

MORTALITY

1,733 DEATHS INVOLVING OPIOIDS.

136 REPORTED DEATHS INVOLVING HEROIN.

1,494 REPORTED DEATHS INVOLVING FENTANYL.

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