

# GenerationRx

Safe medication practices for life.

## Helping communities address prescription drug misuse

### What is **Generation Rx**?

Prescription medications can help us live longer and healthier lives, but any medication has the potential to do harm — especially when misused.

The Cardinal Health Foundation and The Ohio State University College of Pharmacy developed Generation Rx, which aims to educate people of all ages about the potential dangers of misusing prescription medications. In doing so, we strive to enhance medication safety among our youth, college students, adults and seniors.

#### Use Generation Rx resources to help change these statistics:



More than

**6 MILLION  
AMERICANS**

age 12 and older have used a prescription drug non-medically in the past month.



**DRUG  
OVERDOSE**

is the leading cause of accidental death in the United States.



Approximately

**5,500  
AMERICANS**

misuse a prescription medication for the first time every day.

#### Generation Rx key messages are simple:

- Take medication exactly as prescribed
- Store prescription drugs in locked and secure locations and properly dispose of medications that you no longer need
- Promote safe medication practices and teach others to do the same

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