

CAPT Decision-Support Tools

Preventing Prescription Drug Misuse



SAMHSA's Center for the Application of Prevention Technologies (CAPT) has developed numerous resources to support the prevention of prescription drug misuse and abuse. These are available to SAMHSA prevention grantees and the general prevention workforce on the CAPT area of the SAMHSA website—samhsa.gov/capt—in the Grantee Stories, Tools, and Other Resources section.

- ✓ **Preventing Prescription Drug Misuse: Overview of Factors and Strategies.** Presents key findings from a review of current research on the non-medical use of prescription drugs, including a summary of risk and protective factors associated with prescription drug misuse, and of programs and strategies that have been shown to be effective in addressing these factors.
- ✓ **Preventing Prescription Drug Misuse: Understanding Who Is at Risk.** Summarizes information from cross-sectional and longitudinal studies on factors that have been shown to either increase risk of or protect against the non-medical use of prescription drugs, based on articles published between 2006 and 2012.
- ✓ **Preventing Prescription Drug Misuse: Programs and Strategies.** Provides brief summaries of prevention strategies and associated programs that have been evaluated to determine their effects on the non-medical use of prescription drugs, including an overview of the relevant literature, descriptions of individual studies, and guidelines for using this information to inform prevention planning efforts.



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