

In 2015, **276,000** teens 12-17 were current nonmedical users of pain relievers, with **122,000** having an **addiction** to prescription pain relievers.<sup>1</sup>

Abuse of drugs like Oxycontin and Vicodin killed **17,565** people in 2015, a 4 percent increase from the prior year.<sup>2</sup>

TEENS THINK IT'S OKAY TO ABUSE MEDICINE:



**One in five teens** believes it's okay to abuse a prescription drug, as long as they weren't doing so to "get high."

(2016 Partnership for Drug-Free Kids)

Overall, **91** people in America **die every day** due to an opioid or heroin overdose.<sup>2</sup>



**For more information or for assistance with treatment please call,  
Bergen County Office of Alcohol and Drug Dependency, 201-634-2740**

Addiction fits the AMA criteria for a "chronic disease": its *primary, progressive, chronic and fatal*.

1. Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality, 2. Center for Disease Control, Graphic - Partnership for Drug-Free Kids

