Allied Against Opioid Abuse is a national education and awareness initiative to help prevent the abuse and misuse of prescription opioids. Founded by the Healthcare Distribution Alliance, the initiative is a collaborative effort with diverse partners across the pharmaceutical supply chain, as well as organizations that are experts in public health and healthcare.

Our Focus: Education About a Patient’s Rights, Risks and Responsibilities Associated with Prescription Opioids

**Rights**

Make sure to get the information you need to make an informed decision about your prescription medication. If you receive a prescription opioid, consider asking for a partial-fill, which limits the number of pills you take home initially. Partial-fill can be a useful tool to limit the supply of opioids available at home, reducing the risk of misuse.

**Risks**

Prescription opioids carry serious risk of addiction or overdose, especially with prolonged use. Talk to your healthcare professional and make sure you understand these risks and potential side effects.

**Responsibilities**

You can help prevent abuse and misuse by properly storing your prescription opioids in a secure place and then safely disposing of any unused medication. If you aren’t sure whether your prescription is an opioid, ask your healthcare professional or pharmacist.

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