Opioid Addiction in the Home Building Industry: Making it Your Business

People who work in the construction industry are significantly more likely to become addicted to opioids, like prescription painkillers, than workers in the general population, and they are six times more likely to die from an overdose.



More than half of those who died from an overdose had suffered at least one job-related injury.



1 out of 4 people who are prescribed opioids for long-term pain become addicted to them.



4 out of 5 people treated for opioid abuse started on pain medications.



More than 12 million Americans used prescription painkillers nonmedically in the past year.





Making it Your Business

Opioid addiction is a critical issue to address in the home building industry. The impacts on a business can be significant due to loss of productivity, healthcare expenses, absenteeism and turnover, and much more. NAHB is here to help with a set of resources focused on prevention, treatment, recovery and return to work.

Resources available at nahb.org/opioids

- About Prescription Opioids
- About Nonprescription Opioids
- The Risks of Opioid Use
- Where to Find Help in Your State Resource Guide
- *More Coming in March and April*, including how to recognize substance abuse and pain management alternatives

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Plus Three Interactive Education Packages

- Executive Officer Resources for Taking Action
- Supervisor Training: Addressing Opioid Use and Abuse at Work coming in March 2019
- Return-to-Work Practices on Modified Duties, Safety and Support — coming in April 2019



