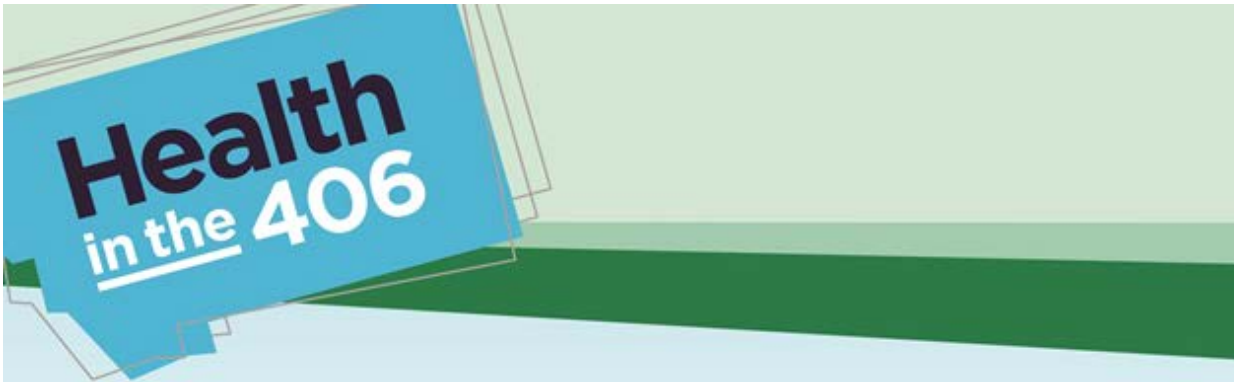


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Health in the 406: Focus on Opioid Overdose Prevention

- The rate of prescription drug overdose deaths in Montana [has doubled](#) in the last 15 years with nearly 700 preventable deaths occurring during this time period.
- 60% of all opioid prescriptions in Montana do not end up being fully used, increasing the changes for misuse and abuse. Learn more about [safer storage](#) and [disposal opportunities](#) in your community.
- Opioid use with other types of medications can significantly increase one's [risk](#) of overdoses – make sure your [provider](#) knows every medication (prescription and others) you are currently using.

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