• Misusing pain medications can be extremely dangerous and even deadly.

• More than 20,000 New Yorkers are hospitalized each year due to poisoning and overdose.

• To prevent an overdose, take your medication exactly as prescribed. Never take medication that isn’t prescribed for you. Never share your prescription with others.

• 1 in 5 teenagers uses pain medication for non-medical reasons and most obtain it from a friend or a medicine cabinet. Put your pain medication in a safe place and dispose of unwanted medication properly.

• Call 911 immediately if you suspect an overdose.