

"Myth Busting" Script

Segment One

	TIME	SHOT / TITLE	DESCRIPTION
1.	00:00		ANIMATED OPEN
2.	00:12	On camera	NEVES ON CAMERA: HEY, I'M ANTONIO NEVES FROM THE.NEWS DO YOU THINK IT'S OK TO TAKE A PILL THAT A DOCTOR HAS PRESCRIBED FOR SOMEONE ELSE? ACCORDING TO A 2008 GOVERNMENT REPORT ABOUT ONE THIRD OF TEENS DO. NOW FOR THE RECORD THE ANSWER IS NO. DOCTORS TELL US THAT IT CAN BE EXTREMELY DANGEROUS TO TAKE A PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE WITHOUT A DOCTOR'S ORDERS. IT'S ONE OF THE MAIN REASONS THAT SO MANY PEOPLE ARE CONCERNED THAT TEENS LEARN TO SEPARATE THE FACTS ABOUT PRESCRIPTION PAIN MEDICINES FROM THE MYTHS.
3.	00:37	On camera	Gabriella: I felt really bad, like I felt mad at myself for letting this happen, letting myself get addicted to drugs
4.	00:45	On camera	Kyle: I had this mentality that the rules didn't apply to me, that I was different.
5.	00:51	On camera	Hayley: I'm still paying the price for that.
6.	00:53	On camera	Tim: All the trouble I've been through, It's not it's just not worth it, you know.



7.	00:58	Gabriella, Kyle, Tim, and Hayley	VOICE OVER: GABRIELLA, KYLE, HAYLEY AND TIM ALL BECAME ADDICTED TO PRESCRIPTION PAIN MEDICINES WHILE IN HIGH SCHOOL. THEY MISUNDERSTOOD THE RISKS OF ABUSING PRESCRIPTION MEDICINES.
8.	01:07	Hospital pharmacy	VOICE OVER: AT THIS HOSPITAL PHARMACISTS PREPARE PRESCRIPTIONSTHE MEDICINES DOCTORS SPECIFICALLY ORDER FOR THEIR PATIENTS. PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ARE POWERFULAND DANGEROUS IF USED IMPROPERLY.
9.	01:19	On camera	ON CAMERA: MAHRO ERSHADI, PHARMACIST So physicians need to be overseeing the medication that the patient is taking.
10.	01:24	Hospital pharmacy with Mahro Ershadi	VOICE OVER: MAHRO ERSHADI SUPERVISES THE PHARMACY AT A MAJOR HOSPITAL IN A WASHINGTON D.C. SUBURB. SHE SAYS THERE IS A BIG DIFFERENCE BETWEEN DRUGS THAT REQUIRE A PRESCRIPTION AND MEDICINES ANYBODY CAN BUY WITHOUT A DOCTOR'S APPROVAL.
11.	01:36	On camera	ON CAMERA: MAHRO ERSHADI Over the counter medications really are not as strong as prescription drugs.

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12.	01:39	Correct Dosage Specific Needs Duration Age Weight Gender	WHEN ORDERING MEDICINES DOCTORS MAKE SURE EACH PRESCRIPTION HAS THE CORRECT DOSAGE OR RIGHT AMOUNT TO MEET A PATIENT'S SPECIFIC NEEDS AND PHYSICAL CONDITION DOCTORS DETERMINE HOW LONG A PATIENT SHOULD TAKE A DRUG AND ALSO CONSIDER OTHER FACTORS LIKE A PATIENT'S AGE, WEIGHT AND GENDER.
	01:56	Volkow walking down hall	TAKING PRESCRIPTION DRUGS WITHOUT A PRESCRIPTION IS NOT ONLY ILLEGALNORA VOLKOW, DIRECTOR OF THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE ON DRUG ABUSE, SAYS IT'S VERY RISKY.
13.	02:03	On camera	ON CAMERA: NORA VOLKOW, NIDA:
	02:23		So when one gets the same medications without a physician overseeing them and without really having an idea how to take them that can become problematic. Doctors prescribe them under very specific conditions whereas when people start to abuse them they use it very, very differently.
14.	02:25		VOICE OVER: SOME OF THE MOST DANGEROUS PRESCRIPTIONS ARE FOR PAIN - THEY'RE CALLED OPIOIDS. THAT'S BECAUSE THEY TARGET OPIATE RECEPTORS IN THE BRAIN.
15.	02:32		Nora Volkow: And the opiate receptors normally are in our brain to actually regulate pain. And this is exactly why these drugs, when improperly used, can lead to drug addiction.



16.	02:42		VOICE OVER: THE BRAIN ALSO CONTROLS BREATHING AND THE DRUGS CAN INTERFERE WITH THE RESPIRATORY CENTER IN THE BRAINSTEMSHUTTING DOWN BREATHINGAND LEADING TO SUDDEN DEATH.
17.	02:51	Hayley and Antonio	VOICE OVER: HAYLEY NORWOOD IS A RECOVERING ADDICT. SHE DIDN'T THINK PAIN MEDICINES WERE DANGEROUS BECAUSE SHE FOUND THEM IN FAMILY AND FRIENDS' MEDICINE CABINETS AND BECAUSE THEY WERE PRESCRIBED FOR OTHERS BY A DOCTOR.
18.	03:02	On camera	Hayley: I knew what was what it was supposed to do whereas something like ecstasy I would have no idea.
19.	03:10	Susan Foster	VOICE OVER: SUSAN FOSTER OF THE NATIONAL CENTER FOR ADDICTION AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE AT COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY WARNS THAT IS SIMPLY A MYTH.
20.	03:17	On camera	Susan Foster, CASA: So they might say these are safe you know, what's your problem my mother takes these or my father takes them. The real fact is that those drugs may be safe when prescribed for a particular condition for a particular person, they are not safe if they are taken when you don't have a prescription yourself
21.	03:35	Pictures of prescription pain pills Pictures of adolescents at school	VOICE OVER: MYTHS ABOUT PRESCRIPTION PAIN MEDICINES MAKE IT HARD FOR MANY PEOPLEINCLUDING MANY TEENAGERSTO UNDERSTAND THE DAMAGE THESE DRUGS CAN CAUSE. HERE ARE SOME FACTS:



22.	03:44	Prescription drug abuse is dangerous Prescription drugs can be addictive Experimentation is risky	VOICE OVER: DOCTORS AND SCIENTISTS AGREE THAT ABUSING PRESCRIPTION DRUGS IS AS DANGEROUS AS OTHER ILLEGAL DRUGS. THEY CAN LEAD TO ADDICTIONA VERY HARD TO CURE DISEASE OF THE BRAIN WHERE YOUR BODY CRAVES MORE AND MORE OF THE DRUG.
			EVEN ONE USE CAN BE DANGEROUS.
23.	04:01	Close up of pills with pan	VOICE OVER:
			GOVERNMENT STUDIES SAY ABOUT TEN PERCENT OF TEENAGERS ABUSE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS.
24.	04:04	Hayley at home	Hayley I was actually really surprised to find out that not everybody was and I really kind of liked those kids.
	04:11	Hayley on camera	Kids that were involved in something that weren't and they had their group of friends, and they were happy and they didn't use. And they were like "cool, no thanks."
25.	04:22	On camera	NEVES ON CAMERA:
			HALEY HAS BEEN OFF OF DRUGS FOR TWO YEARS NOW. BUT SHE SAYS SHE IS STILL A RECOVERING ADDICTAND ALWAYS WILL BE. FOR THE DOT NEWS I'M ANTONIO NEVES.

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