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Community Initiative

The opioid crisis' effects on our community is far-reaching. JW Global Foundation is taking the initiative to address this disaster using Research & Education. We are currently spearheading an educational campaign and doing case studies in the areas of Non-Opioid solutions to PAIN. We are seeking to expand the number of our partnerships, donors, and sponsors in order to expand our reach and make a greater impact, through our FREE workshops and other educational events. Our primary focuses are on Seniors, Veterans, Construction Workers, and Amateur Athletes.

Pain Is The Greatest Motivator On Earth. You Will Take Anything To Stop Pain.

oxycodone (OxyContin), hydrocodone (Vicodin), hydromorphone (Dilaudid), meperidine (Demerol)



The United States makes up 4.4% of the world's population, and consumes **over 80% of the world's opioids.**



National Institute on Drug Abuse reported that **more than 2 million Americans** abuse opioids. CDC reports that 2022 sets a new record for drug overdoses with over **107,000 deaths.**



Black Opioid Deaths Are Now Increasing 8x Faster Than Whites. In the St. Louis area, since 2015 Opioid deaths are up 400% in the Black community.



27 percent of veterans diagnosed with PTSD also have a substance use disorder, according to the Department of Veteran's Affairs.



35% of people over 50 years old who had ongoing pain said they'd misused their prescription opioids in the past month.

INEQUALITY

The Opioid Epidemic Is Surging among Black People because of Unequal Access to Treatment

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The Opioid Epidemic: a Crisis Disproportionately Impacting Black Americans and Urban Communities

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PBS NEWS HOUR



St. Louis combats opioid crisis as overdose deaths skyrocket among Black Americans

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PROBLEM:

Addiction & Side Effects From Painkillers

Does oxycodone affect your liver or kidneys?

Because oxycodone is a toxin, the body has a difficult time processing it in large amounts or on a regular basis. During oxycodone addiction, liver and kidney function can begin to falter leading to failure and/or liver and kidney diseases.

**\$740
BILLION**

Each year, addiction costs Americans over \$740 Billion

Richard Dent, a former Chicago Bear and NFL Hall of Famer, claimed the NFL instructed team doctors from at least 1969 to 2012 to dole out drugs without prescriptions and without warning players of harmful side effects. Dent says he ended his career with an enlarged heart, permanent nerve damage in his foot and an addiction to painkillers.

Since hydrocodone is metabolized by the liver, continued use can lead to liver damage. If it's taken in combination with acetaminophen, as it often is due to combination medications like Norco and Lortab, the risk of liver damage and liver failure is even greater.

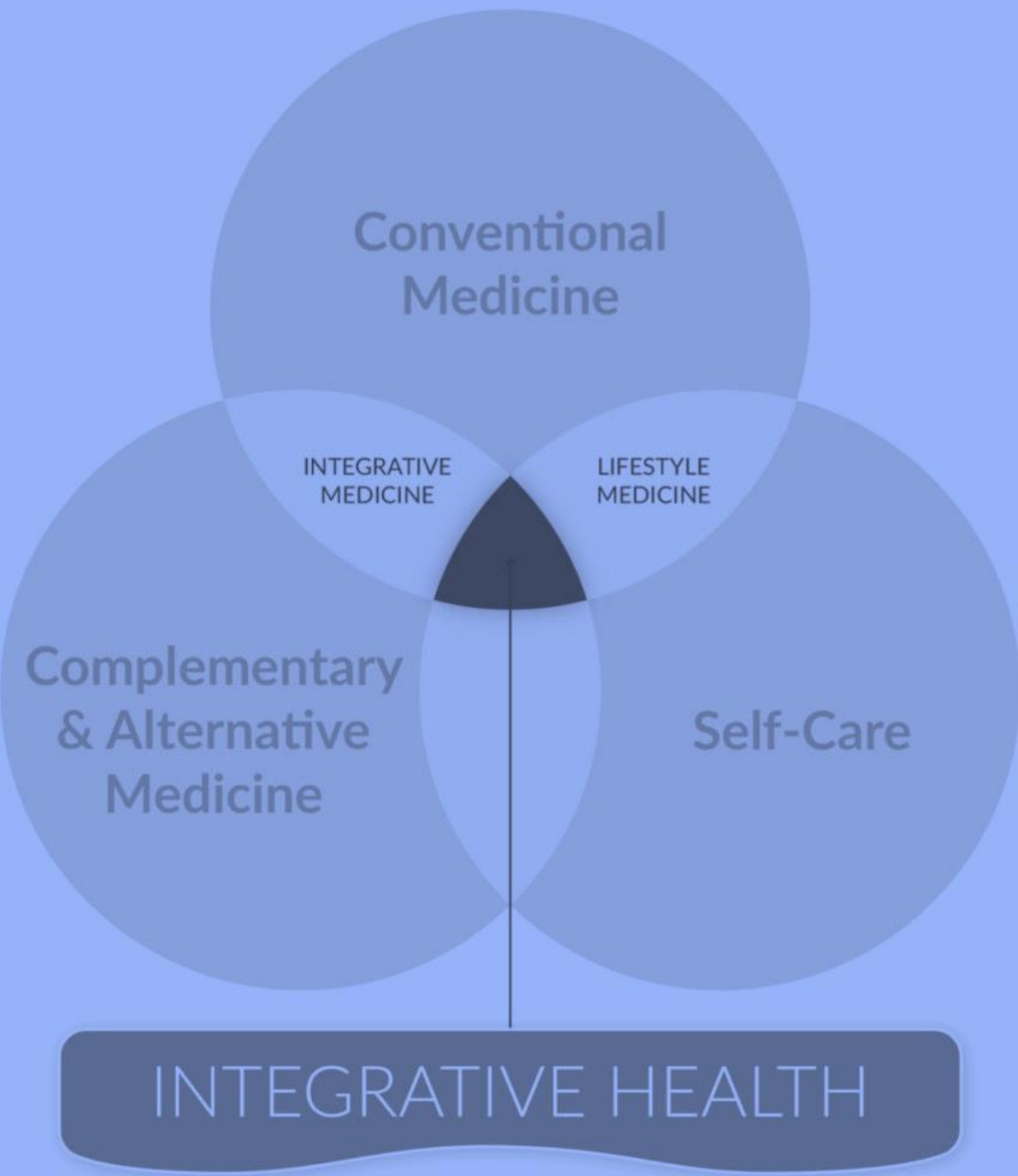
Given the high density of opioid receptors in the gastrointestinal tract, side effects are common in these patients including constipation, dysphagia, bloating, nausea, and vomiting. These side effects, which are experienced by most patients who take opioids, can lead to significant impairment in quality of life. Unlike other side effects from opioids, gastrointestinal side effects do not diminish with continued use, often leading patients to reduce or discontinue their opioid treatment to relieve these side effects.

Source: National Library of Medicine
PubMed.Gov



Overdoses kill more of us than breast cancer, guns, and car crashes combined.

Ibuprofen, a drug in the family of medications called Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory Drugs (NSAIDs), can cause what is often referred to as 'leaky gut syndrome' (LGS). This is thought to lead to stomach ulcers that can result in upper gastrointestinal bleeding, the need for surgery and blood transfusions.



GROWTH INDUSTRY

More people want to try more natural healthcare or take an integrative approach to their overall wellness.



Market Size 2020
\$82.27 Billion

Market Size 2021
\$100.04 Billion

Revenue Forecast 2028
\$404.66 Billion



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Everyday Natural and Organic Products
in Continued High Demand

**Total Natural Wellness Industry
Over \$4 Trillion**

Key sectors include:

- Personal Care, Beauty and Anti-Aging (\$1,083 billion)
- Healthy Eating, Nutrition and Weight Loss (\$702 billion)
- Wellness Tourism (\$639 billion)
- Fitness and Mind-Body (\$595 billion)
- Spa Economy (\$119 billion)
- Workplace Wellness (\$48 billion)

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