



PAINLESS

— THE OPIOID MUSICAL —

Michigan OPEN has partnered with the University of Michigan's Precision Health and School of Music, Theatre & Dance to produce *Painless: The Opioid Musical*. Inspired by true stories of opioid use disorder and recovery, *Painless* aims to educate youth about the prevalence and dangers of the opioid epidemic.



Michigan OPEN is collaborating with the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services to add *Painless* to MDHHS's Michigan Model for Health™ curriculum as a supplemental tool in the Opioid Misuse Prevention unit. With the help of MDHHS, *Painless* will be performed at high schools across Michigan followed by critical discussion and education beginning in the spring of 2022.

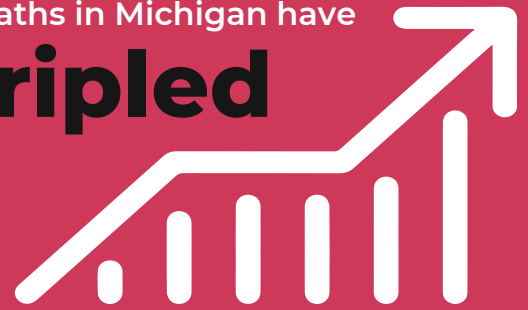


3 in 5

teens say prescription pain medication is easy to get from their parents' medicine cabinet

Since 2000, opioid overdose deaths in Michigan have

tripled



We envision a future for *Painless: The Opioid Musical* that entails:



Hosting workshops



Widening our reach



Creating a cast album

Painless was developed by University of Michigan students Jacob Ryan Smith, Noah Kieserman and Peter Scattini under the direction of Vincent J. Cardinal, chair of the U-M Department of Musical Theatre. *Painless* was inspired by stories of individuals from Families Against Narcotics (FAN) who have been impacted by opioid use disorder. To learn more about *Painless*, please visit michigan-open.org/painless or email us at michiganOPEN@umich.edu.