A closer look into the health of Wisconsin's Adolescent Males

Background

Healthy Wisconsin identified five priority health issues: Alcohol, Tobacco, Suicide, Opioid, and Nutrition and Physical Activity. This infographic aims to provide a closer look into the five priority health issues as they impact adolescent males in Wisconsin. The three data sources used to obtain this information include:

1. Wisconsin High School Youth Behavior Survey, 2013
2. Wisconsin Interactive Statistics on Health, Injury and Mortality Module
3. Wisconsin’s Violent Death Reporting System

Ages 15-19

Tobacco

Smoked more than 10 cigarettes per day

Currently used cigarettes, cigars, or smokeless tobacco

Physical Activity and Nutrition

Drank a can, bottle, or glass of soda one or more times per day

Had Obesity

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**Opioid**

The rate of prescription opioid-related deaths for 15-19-year-olds (2.3/100,000 vs. 0.6/100,000)

2011-2015

The number of prescription opioid-related deaths among adolescents age 15-19 (29)

Males accounted for 4 out of 5 deaths

**Higher for Male Adolescents**

**Suicide**

2013-2014

Male Adolescents ages 15-19 had

- **10X** firearms suicide rate
- **2X** suicide rate

as compared to females of the same age

54% of the males who died by suicide had current or past treatment for a mental health or substance abuse problem

as compared to 81% of females of the same age

**Alcohol**

Drank five or more drinks of alcohol in a row

2013

**Percent**

Gender

- **Male**
- **Female**

Consuming 5 or more alcoholic drinks in a row is considered binge drinking for males