FAST FACT: 13 out of 100 hospital and emergency department visits by adults aged 65 and older involve Rx opioids or heroin.

In 2014, hospital and emergency department visits by adults ≥ 65 years old involved Rx opioids and/or heroin. Of Rx opioid-related visits, 1.9% resulted in death. Events include intentional and unintentional overdoses, as well as assaults.

Source: Statewide Epidemiological Outcomes Workgroup analysis of Maryland Health Services Cost Review Commission data, 2014

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