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PRESCRIPTION MEDICINE MISUSE IN ASIA

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Misuse of prescription drugs such as opioids, sedatives and stimulants is common in the USA, Canada and Australia. There is limited data available on prescription medicine misuse in Asia, particularly in Singapore. In this talk we will look at the data on prescription medicine misuse in Asia with a focus on two studies that were conducted in Singapore: the first one looks at the prevalence of prescription medicine misuse at a population level (through an internet consumer panel) and the other evaluates the awareness and perceptions of the doctors on prescription medicine misuse in Singapore.