Nearly 60,000 Americans Died of Drug Overdose in 2016



New York, July 3 (RHC)-- The New York Times reports that drug overdose deaths surged in 2016, killing nearly 60,000 Americans last year alone. For U.S. residents under the age of 50, drug overdoses are now the leading cause of death.

The Times analysis found overdose deaths increased significantly across the East Coast of the United States last year, including in Ohio, where the state has filed a lawsuit against the pharmaceutical industry, accusing drug manufacturers of aggressively advertising opioids and lying to both doctors and patients about the dangers of addiction.

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