

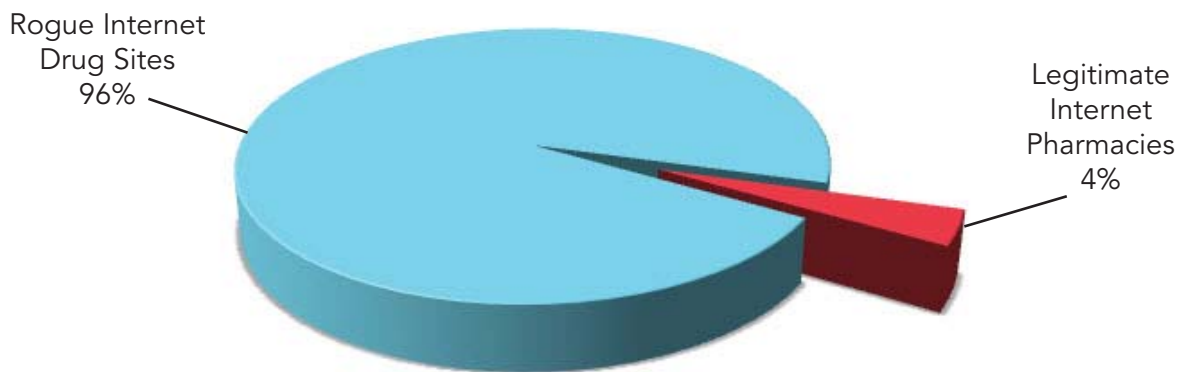


PRESCRIPTION DRUG SAFETY

Internet Pharmacies and You

Buying prescription medicine online can be dangerous. Here's what you need to know to stay safe.

- The National Association of Boards of Pharmacy® (NABP®) has **reviewed more than 11,000 websites** selling prescription drugs. By some estimates, as much as **90% of the medication bought online may be fake.**
- Only **4%** of these sites appear to be **in compliance** with state and federal laws and NABP patient safety and pharmacy practice standards.



- **96%** of these sites are considered rogue sites and are **listed as Not Recommended** on the AWARxE® website, www.AWAREx.pharmacy.

Look for .Pharmacy, or the VIPPS or Vet-VIPPS Seals to shop safely online

- .Pharmacy is a new Top-Level Domain, like .com, created to increase patient safety online. Learn more at www.safe.pharmacy.
- As seen on *60 Minutes* and *The Doctors*, look for sites with the VIPPS® (Verified Internet Pharmacy Practice Sites®) Seal. These sites are accredited and listed as Recommended at www.AWAREx.pharmacy.
- And don't forget about your pets! Protect them by looking for the Vet-VIPPS® Seal when purchasing their medications online.



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