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## Episode 6: Reversing an Epidemic

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### **OVERVIEW:**

Drs. Todd Phillips and Joshua Shulman discuss the severity of the opiate abuse epidemic and the best practices for EMS and lay-rescuers to minimize preventable death. In the Research Minute, Dr. Jeremiah Escajeda, overviews the ALPS Study and the potential impact upon EMS.

### **CITATIONS:**

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### **CONTINUING EDUCATION INFORMATION:**

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