

Heeding the Call for Safe and Responsible Pain Management in Our Communities

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MODERATOR: Steven P. Stanos, DO



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Statement of Need

Misuse and abuse of opioids has become a serious public health concern, leading to the FDA approving a risk evaluation and mitigation strategy (REMS) for opioids. REMS introduced new safety measures; however, there are still gaps in knowledge among health care professionals (HCPs) regarding acute and chronic pain pathways and the underlying mechanisms to clinical assessment and appropriate management of pain.

This CME Outfitters live and on demand webcast will focus on the FDA's *Opioid Analgesic REMS Education Blueprint for Health Care Providers Involved in the Treatment and Monitoring of Patients with Pain* as well as the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' *Pain Management Best Practices Inter-Agency Task Force Report Updates, Gaps, Inconsistencies, and Recommendations*. Expert faculty will discuss the underlying mechanisms of acute and chronic pain pathways and how to utilize this knowledge to implement appropriate pain management strategies and educate patients about their pain, thus optimizing safe and effective, multimodal treatment plans.

Learning Objectives

At the end of this CE activity, participants should be able to:

- Apply knowledge of acute and chronic pain pathways and underlying mechanisms to clinical assessment and appropriate management of pain.
- Upon evaluation of your current clinical workflow for opioid prescribing, incorporate two best practice strategies to optimize safe and competent prescribing and minimize potential for abuse and diversion.
- Educate patients about their pain to optimize safe and effective, multimodal treatment plans.

The following learning objectives pertain only to those requesting CNE or CPE credit:

- Explain the acute and chronic pain pathways and underlying mechanisms to clinic assessment and appropriate management of pain.
- Identify two best practice strategies to optimize safe and effective, multimodal treatment plans.
- Educate patients about their pain to optimize safe and effective, multimodal treatment plans.

Target Audience

Physicians, dentists, PAs, NPs, nurses, and pharmacists

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Dr. Stanos currently serves as Medical Director of Swedish Health System Pain Medicine and Services in Seattle, Washington. Besides directing pain management services for the hospital system, he also leads Swedish's pain rehabilitation center, Functional Restoration, an integral part of the pain medicine continuum of care. In addition to his work with Swedish Health System, he is active with committee work at Providence St. Joseph Health related to the system integration of pain management including primary and specialty care. Prior to joining Swedish and Providence, he served as medical director of the Center for Pain Management at the Rehabilitation Institute of Chicago (RIC) Northwestern University Medical School from 2002-2014, serving as an Assistant Professor at Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine and program-co chair of the multidisciplinary pain fellowship.

He is board certified in physical medicine and rehabilitation and pain medicine by the American Board of Pain Medicine and by the American Board of Anesthesia.

Dr. Stanos is Past President of the American Academy of Pain Medicine and serves on the Board of Directors of the American Board of Pain Medicine. He served as a panel member on the Service Delivery and Reimbursement work group for the National Pain Strategy, an invited consultant to the CDC for the CDC Opioid Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain, and work group member for Healthy People 2020, and Healthy People 2030. He is active with the American Academy of Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation and has served as the co-chair of education for the Pain and Neuromuscular Council.

Dr. Stanos' work also includes ongoing educational initiatives for primary care, pain medicine, and physical medicine specialists around the United States and abroad. Dr. Stanos has published numerous scientific articles and book chapters related to pain management. Steven has been involved in the development and publication of treatment guidelines related to rehabilitation approaches for chronic pain and low back pain conditions and serves on the editorial board for the journal *Pain Medicine* and as a reviewer for other pain and rehabilitation journals.

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A Mayday Foundation Advocacy fellow in 2013, his advocacy has continued to focus on increasing awareness and access for inter-disciplinary biopsychosocially-based pain care for those patients suffering with chronic pain. In 2014, the University of Washington Department of Pain Medicine awarded Dr. Stanos with the John J. Bonica, MD lecture. He has appeared on CNN, National Public Radio, Fox News, regional print and television news on various topics related to pain medicine and pain rehabilitation.

Kevin Gebke, MD

Dr. Gebke has served as Chair of the Department of Family Medicine within Indiana University School of Medicine for the past nine years and as a school faculty member for 17 years. He also functions as the service line leader of Primary Care for IU Health Physicians. He has been awarded numerous teaching and leadership accolades over the course of his career. He has been active within the school serving on countless committees and providing oversight for ongoing curriculum development. Dr. Gebke is currently a member of the IU Health Physicians Board of Directors and the Board of IU Medical Group Foundation. Last year, Dr. Gebke was elected to the position of Secretary of the Council of Clinical Chairs. Service to the school, the discipline, and to his patients continues to be the motivating force that drives Dr. Gebke. He maintains a busy Family and Sports Medicine practice and remains involved in the Primary Care Sports Medicine Fellowship that he directed for 14 years. LEAN process improvement and combatting physician burnout are two areas of focus for Dr. Gebke and the healthcare system as a whole.

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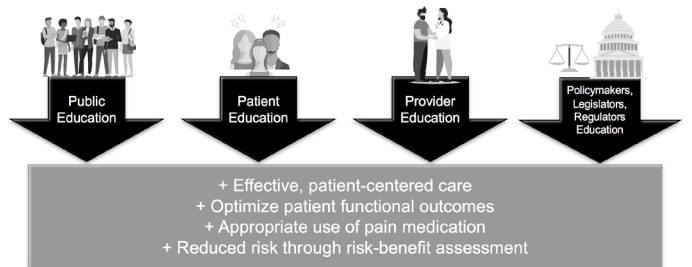
50 Million Americans Living with Chronic Pain

- One of the most common reasons for seeking medical care resulting in
 - Restrictions in mobility and daily activities
 - Dependence on opioids
 - Anxiety and depression
 - Poor perceived health or reduced quality of life
- 20 million with high impact chronic pain
- \$560 billion yearly in direct medical costs, lost productivity, and disability programs

Dalheimer J, et al. MMWR. 2018;67:1001-1006.



Education is Critical to the Delivery of Effective Patient-Centered Pain Care and Reducing the Risk Associated with Prescription Opioids



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Learning Objective 1

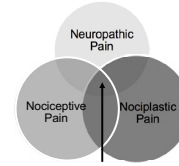
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 - Ankylosing spondylitis
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 - Inflammatory bowel disease



- Predominantly Nociceptive**
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 - Irritable bowel syndrome
 - Tension-type pain
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 - Tempo-mandibular joint disorder
 - Chronic fatigue syndrome
 - Restless leg syndrome
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Learning Objective 2

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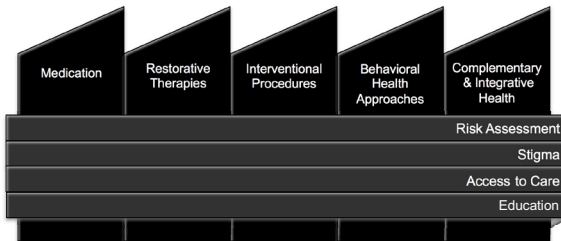




Treatment Planning



Acute and Chronic Pain Management: Individualized, Multimodal, Multidisciplinary

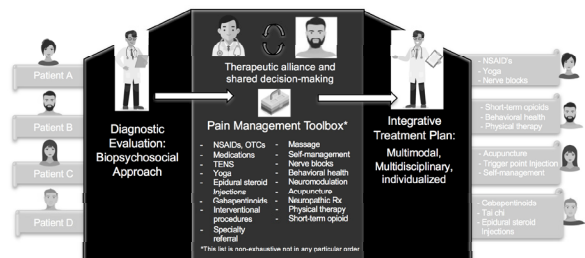


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Individualized Patient Care

Consists of Diagnostic Evaluation That Results in an Integrative Treatment Plan that Includes All Necessary Treatment Options

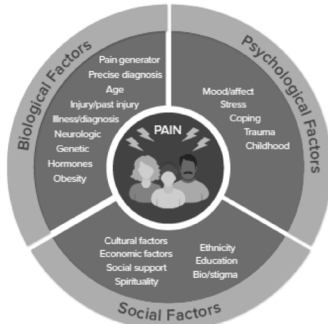


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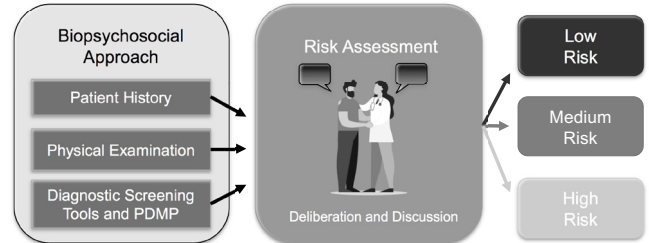
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Biopsychosocial Model of Pain Management



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A Risk Assessment is Critical to Providing the Best Possible Patient-Centered Outcome While Mitigating Unnecessary Opioid Exposure



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- PEG: **P**ain, **E**njoyment of life and **G**eneral activity
- Opioid Risk Tool¹

| Opioid Risk Tool | | |
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| MARK EACH BOX THAT APPLIES: | FEMALE | MALE |
| 1. Family history of substance abuse | | |
| Alcohol | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 |
| Illegal drugs | <input type="checkbox"/> 2 | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 |
| Prescription drugs | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 | <input type="checkbox"/> 4 |
| 2. Personal history of substance abuse | | |
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| 3. Age (mark box if between 18 and 45 years) | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 | <input type="checkbox"/> 1 |
| 4. History of preadolescent sexual abuse | <input type="checkbox"/> 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> 0 |
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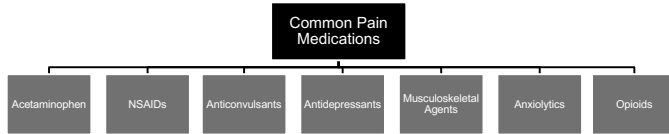
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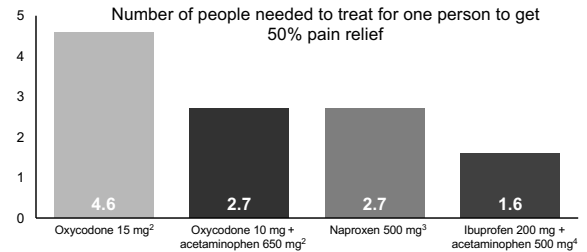
Pharmacologic Considerations for Treatment Decision



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Opioid vs Nonopioid Pain Relief in Postoperative Pain



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CDC Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain

Determining need for opioids

- Opioids are not first-line or routine therapy for chronic pain.
- Establish and measure goals for pain and function.
- Discuss benefits and risks of opioid therapy and availability of nonopioid therapies.

Opioid selection, dosage, and duration of therapy

- Use immediate-release opioids when starting.
- Use caution at any dose. Reassess benefits and risk when dose reaches >50 MME and avoid increasing dose to > 90 MME without carefully justifying decision.
- Long-term use begins with treatment of acute pain. 3 days or less is often sufficient.
- Follow-up and re-evaluate risk of harm, reduce dose or taper and discontinue if needed.

Assessing risk and addressing harm

- Evaluate risk factors for opioid-related harms.
- Check PDMP for high dosages and prescriptions from other providers.
- Use urine drug testing to identify prescribed substances and undisclosed use.
- Avoid concurrent benzodiazepine and opioid prescribing.
- Arrange treatment for OUD if needed.

Dowell D, et al. *MMWR Recomm Rep* 2016;65(1):1-49.



Unintended Consequences: No Shortcuts to Opioid Prescribing

- Although not intended to be model legislation, 28 states have enacted legislation related to opioid prescription limits
- Has been used to override medical decisions
- Patients on high dose opioids discontinued or dismissed from care
- Universally stop prescribing opioids even when benefits outweigh risks

Dowell D, et al. *N Engl J Med*. 2019;380(24):2285-2287.



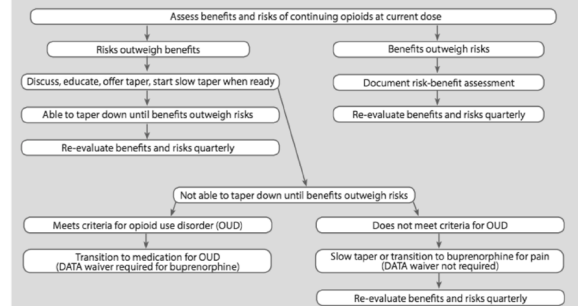
Opioid Tapering: When and How

- Undertake opioid tapering only after thorough assessment of the risk-benefit ratio
 - Consider patient-centered compassionate tapering when risks outweigh the benefits
 - Assessment should be conducted in collaboration with the patient
 - Opioids should not be tapered rapidly or discontinued suddenly
- When tapering, consider underlying comorbidities
- Consider maintaining therapy for patients who are stable on long-term opioid therapy and for who the benefits outweigh the risks

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Pain Management Best Practices Inter-Agency Task Force Report: Updates, Gaps, Inconsistencies, and Recommendations. Published May 9, 2019. Available at <https://www.hhs.gov/sites/default/files/interagency-report-2019-05-23.pdf>. Accessed March 13, 2020.



Opioid Tapering Flowchart



Adapted from Oregon Pain Guidance: Tapering – Guidance & Tools. Available at <https://www.oregonpainguidance.org/guidelines/tapering/>. HHS Guide for Clinicians on the Appropriate Doseage Reduction or Discontinuation of Long-Term Opioid Analgesics. Published October 2019. Available at https://www.hhs.gov/ocio/sites/default/files/2019-10/Dosage_Reduction_Discontinuation.pdf. Accessed March 22, 2020.

Naloxone Saves Lives, but Only if Available When Overdose Occurs

- Overdose deaths declined between 2017-2018
- The number of naloxone prescriptions dispensed doubled between 2017-2018
- **But** only 1 naloxone prescription dispensed for every 69 high-dose opioid prescriptions
- Rural counties are 3x more likely to be a low-dispensing county vs. metropolitan counties
- Naloxone dispensing is 25x greater in the highest-dispensing counties vs. the lower dispensing counties

Gay GP Jr., et al. *MMWR Morb Mortal Wkly Rep.* 2019;68:679-686.



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Learning Objective 3

Educate patients about their pain to optimize safe and effective, multimodal treatment plans.

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Low Health Literacy is Related to Opioid Misuse

- Patient education must be easy to read, understand, and use for patients of all skill levels¹
- Tools that are pictorial and/or infographics are effective
- Ensuring that online patient education materials are written at an appropriate reading grade level would be expected to improve physician-patient communication²
 - Recommend that tools are written at a 6th grade level

1. Prince LY, et al. J Surg Orthop Adv. 2019;28(3):232-236. 2. Roberts H, et al. J Bone Joint Surg Am. 2016;98(17):e70.

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Education on Safe Storage and Disposal of Unused Meds

- Opioids should be stored inside lockbox and/or secure location
- Medication take-back programs
 - DEA-registered collection sites at retail/hospital/clinic pharmacies and law enforcement
 - Check www.takebackmymeds.com for additional details
- Disposal in household trash
 - Mix (do not crush tablets or capsules) with an unpalatable substance such as dirt, cat litter, or used coffee grounds and seal in plastic bag
 - Delete personal information from the prescription label before disposing
- Disposal in a drug deactivation pouch that utilizes carbon to deactivate and dispose in household trash
- FDA endorses flushing, but many oppose due to concerns about aquatic life

US Food and Drug Administration (FDA). Disposal of Unused Medicines: What You Should Know. Available at: <https://www.fda.gov/Drugs/ResourcesForYou/Consumers/ByDrugClass/medsafety/EnsuringSafeUseofMedicine/SafeDisposalofMedicines/ucm196187.htm>

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SMART Goals

Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Timely

- When creating a multi-modal treatment plan, align treatment choice to type of pain—nociceptive, neuropathic, nociplastic
- Remember, pain isn't just about the injury. You need to apply a psychosocial approach to pain management
- For patients with chronic pain stable on long-term opioids, undertake opioid tapering only after a thorough assessment of risk-benefit
- Make your patient a partner in treatment planning
 - Education, education, education



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Tools for Evaluating Addiction Risk

| Tool | # of Items | Administered By | Comments |
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| Patients considered for long-term opioid therapy | | | |
| ORT | 5 | Patient | Predicts aberrant or drug-related behaviors |
| SOAPP | 24, 14, 5 | Patient | Evaluates risk of long-term opioid therapy in those with chronic pain |
| DIRE | 8 | Clinician | Determines risk of long-term opioid use in those with chronic pain; evaluates regimen efficacy. |
| Characterize misuse once opioid treatment begins | | | |
| PMQ | 26 | Patient | Evaluates risk of opioid misuse in those with chronic pain |
| COMM | 17 | Patient | Identifies aberrant behaviors; for those with chronic pain already on opioids |
| PDUIQ | 31 | Clinician | Evaluates and predicts opioid misuse in those with chronic pain |
| Not specific to pain populations | | | |
| CAGE-AID | 4 | Clinician | Screens for substance dependence; modified CAGE questionnaire |
| RAFFT | 5 | Patient | Can be used for alcohol, marijuana, or other drug use |
| DAST | 28 | Patient | Screens for risky/illicit drug use in adults |
| SBIRT | Varies | Clinician | Designed to provide universal screening; secondary prevention to detect risky or hazardous substance use before the onset of problems; early intervention; and treatment. |

CAGE-AID = CAGE Adapted to Include Drugs; COMM = Current Opioid Misuse Measure; DAST = Drug Abuse Screening Test; DIRE = Diagnosis, Intractability, Risk, and Efficacy; ORT = Opioid Risk Tool; PDUIQ = Prescription Drug Use Questionnaire; RAFFT = Relax, Alone, Friends, Family, Trouble; SBIRT = Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment; SOAPP = Screener and Opioid Assessment for Patients with Pain.

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