



Department of Internal Medical Grand Rounds

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"The Prescription Opioid Misuse Epidemic: Neurobiology to Public Policy"

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NEEDS ASSESSMENT:

Chronic pain is a challenging condition for patients to experience and for their physicians to help them manage. The role of Opioid medications for chronic pain is an area of controversy and much attention has focused recently on the role Opioid misuse epidemic. There is a need for physicians to understand the neurobiology of pain and mechanisms of action of Opioid medications, as well as to understand current best practice guidelines, medicallegal concerns, and evolving regulatory strategies to address the Opioid misuse epidemic.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES:

At the conclusion of this activity, participants will be able to:

** Recall the breadth and quality of evidence for the use of opioids for chronic pain, including current gaps in evidence and knowledge.

** Recall guideline-based assessment, monitoring and documentation strategies to meet best practice standards and medico-legal requirements to support opioid prescribing.

**Recall the current regulatory strategies and their limitations for addressing the prescription opioid misuse epidemic.

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