



Patient & Provider(s) Agreements

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Patient & Provider(s) Agreements Items to Include

- Emphasis of Goal to improve daily function more so than reduce pain
- Adverse effects of opioids especially with higher doses and/or concurrent use with other sedatives such as alcohol, other opioids, benzodiazepines, muscle relaxers, hypnotics, etc.
 - Serious adverse effects
 - Opioid use disorder, respiratory depression, etc.
 - Common adverse effects
 - Constipation, drowsiness, withdrawal symptoms, hyperalgesia, etc.
- Reduced ability to safely operate any vehicle.
- Periodic reassessment of function, pain, risk, & psychological state
- Prescription Drug Monitor Program (PDMP) verification
- Urine drug screening & testing
- Naloxone (need assessment & administration)
- Discuss risks to other individuals if opioids are shared with them
- Safe and secure storage of opioids
- Disposal of unused opioids
- Co-manager of medication therapy if cognitive limitations are present