

# Addressing the Opioid Epidemic: Recommendations from CDC

## WB2857 Module 1

**PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:** This module will look at the CDC recommendations regarding the prescription of opioids for chronic pain. Given that it is sometimes hard to determine when acute pain becomes chronic pain, recommendations are also included related to prescribing opioids for acute pain. You will have the opportunity to examine the implications of these recommendations for treating your patients, and to practice making the best choices for their overall health and well-being.

Please refer to the *CDC Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain* for additional information as needed during this training.

### **OBJECTIVES:**

At the conclusion of the session, the participant will be able to:

- 1) Explain why a guideline for prescribing opioids is needed
- 2) Describe the key recommendations in the CDC guideline for prescribing opioids
- 3) Explain potential benefits of implementing the CDC recommendations for prescribing opioids

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**URL:** <http://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/training/overview>

**HARDWARE/SOFTWARE:** Computer Hardware; Internet connection; Browser

**MATERIALS:** None

**TARGET AUDIENCE:** Physicians, Registered Nurses, Other Professionals

**PREREQUISITES:** None

**FORMAT:** These modules are web-based training

**CONTACT INFORMATION:** Division of Unintentional Injury Prevention, NCIPC, CDC, 800-CDC-INFO (800-232-4636)

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