Washington State Opioid Prescriber Feedback Report

This feedback report includes a summary and an individual report of your prescribing practices and those of the providers within your group, compared to those in the same specialty area. Some of the prescribers within your group might have already received their individual reports, if he or she had at least one prescribing measure lie at or above the 90th percentile of all prescribers within his or her specialty.

This report is authorized by Engrossed Substitute House Bill 1427, and provided by the Washington State Department of Health in partnership with the Washington State Hospital Association, the Washington State Medical Association, and the Washington State Health Care Authority.

The purpose of this report is for you to assess your opioid prescribing practices and those of the providers within your group for quality improvement opportunities. Please review the following metrics based on your and your group’s prescribing data in the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP).

Some recommendations for prescribing opioids were provided to those prescribers who have already received an individual report. These include:

- If needed for acute pain, prescribe the lowest effective dose of immediate-release opioids for the shortest duration of time. More than a 7 days’ supply is rarely needed
- Track function and pain at each prescribing visit
- Use validated assessment tools and best practices to monitor adverse outcomes and treatment regimen compliance
- Do not prescribe chronic opioids for non-specific pain (such as fibromyalgia, headache, or back pain)
- Consider prescribing take-home naloxone for patients with one or more risk factors (see AMDG guidelines)
- Avoid combining opioids with benzodiazepines, sedative-hypnotics, or Carisoprodol
- Taper off/discontinue above agents and consider non-scheduled alternatives if needed

Data Sources and Limitations

- The Washington State Prescription Monitoring Program, collects dispensing records for controlled substances (i.e., schedule II–V drugs) in the State
- Data submission requirements do not apply to:
  - A licensed wholesale distributor or manufacturer
  - Prescriptions days’ supply of < 24hrs or directly administered
  - Prescriptions provided to patients receiving inpatient care at hospitals
  - Pharmacies operated by the Department of Corrections
  - Veterans Affairs, Department of Defense, or other federally operated pharmacies
  - Opioid Treatment Programs (42CFR)
  - Out of state pharmacies not licensed to dispense into Washington State
- Metrics based on Bree Collaborative opioid prescribing metrics - http://www.breecollaborative.org/topic-areas/opioid/
- Specialties are defined according to the taxonomies listed in the National Provider Identifier index
- Percentages of patients under your care are being compared to the percentages of patients cared for by providers in your same specialty area, as defined in each metric
- Results presented in this report exclude buprenorphine prescriptions
MME/day was calculated by dividing total MME dispensed during a quarter by number of days in the quarter

Sedatives include: Alprazolam, Midazolam, Secobarbital, Chlordiazepoxide, Oxazepam, Carisoprodol, Clonazepam, Quazepam, Chloral Hydrate, Clorazepate, Temazepam, Eszopiclone, Diazepam, Triazolam, Meprobamate, Estazolam, Butobarbital, Suvorexant, Flumazenil, Butalbital, Zaleplon, Flurazepam, Meprobartal, Zolpidem, Lorazepam, and Phenobarbital

Additional Resources/Recommendations

- UW Chronic Pain CME – http://www.coperems.org/
- PMP EHR Integration – www.doh.wa.gov/healthit
- Naloxone Information – www.stopoverdose.org

Washington State Department of Health | Prescription Monitoring Program
www.doh.wa.gov/pmp | prescriptionmonitoring@doh.wa.gov
Clinical or Technical Questions/Help

- For clinical consults join the UW TelePain weekly meetings [https://depts.washington.edu/anesth/care/pain/telepain/](https://depts.washington.edu/anesth/care/pain/telepain/) or UW Medicine Pain Consult line (1-844-520-PAIN)
- For technical questions about the report please contact the Department at prescriptionmonitoring@doh.wa.gov
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