

Review a minimum of **5** and a maximum of **10** medical records across ED, Short Stay, & Inpatient Settings.

Focus:

For this review, randomly select 5 to 10 medical records to review across ED, short stay, and inpatient settings using the following criteria:

- Patient \geq 18 years of age
- Diagnosis or chief complaint for pain associated with headache, radiculopathy, musculoskeletal pain, renal colic, and fracture/dislocation
- Routine elective surgery of any kind (see Michigan OPEN's opioid prescribing recommendations for routine elective surgeries - <https://michigan-open.org/prescribing-recommendations/>)

Exclusion Criteria

- Admitted for drug withdrawal or overdose
- Exclude patients receiving cancer care and/or end of life care

Instructions:

When reviewing the medical record, if documentation is found for the process, mark “**Yes**” in the box. If documentation is not found for the process, mark “**No**”. If the process being reviewed is not applicable to the medical record, mark “**N/A**.” After completing the review of all records, note the rows with the highest number of “**No**” responses. This will identify priority focus areas for improvement.

Note: Do not spend more than 20-30 minutes per medical record.

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Case Review	Pt A	Pt B	Pt C	Pt D	Pt E	Pt F	Pt G	Pt H	Pt I	Pt J
Care Setting										
Prevent new opioid starts										
Evidence that non-opioid approaches were used to manage acute pain for headache, radiculopathy, musculoskeletal pain, renal colic, and fracture/dislocation										
IF patient was prescribed an opioid at discharge:										
Surgical patients were prescribed ≤ 12 opioid pills										
Standard opioid prescribing guidelines were followed relevant to the patient's diagnosis										
Provider checked your state's Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP)										
Patient was discharged with a short-term prescription (≤ 5 days) & ≤ 90 MME/day										
Patient was NOT concurrently prescribed benzodiazepines										
Discharge summary sent to patient's primary care provider and/or pain management specialist within 3 days										
Manage chronic pain related opioid use safely										
IF patient regularly uses opioids to manage pain:										
There is evidence that a standard process was used to evaluate whether the patient could benefit from transitioning to MAT or opioid alternatives										
If the patient received replacement opioids for lost or stolen opioids, a standard process was followed										

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Treat addiction effectively										
A standard process was used to assess the patient for OUD										
For patients using long term opioids to manage pain &/or taking ≥ 100 MME/day provider discussed MAT										
IF patient is identified as having OUD:										
There is evidence patient & provider discussed MAT										
Patient initiated MAT while still in the hospital										
IF patient initiates MAT while still in the hospital:										
Patient was provided a prescription at discharge for buprenorphine										
Patient was given a "warm hand-off" to an outpatient MAT provider										
Overdose prevention										
Naloxone was co-prescribed for this patient IF they left with an opioid prescription for more than 5 days of opioids										
Create sustainable infrastructure to support ongoing improvement										
Patient's medical record does not contain stigmatizing language (e.g. drug user, addict, junkie, habit, abuse, clean, dirty)*										
Patient was asked for permission to discuss with her/his key support person (e.g., significant other, family member, friend) opioid risk, pain management alternatives, and/or MAT as appropriate										

* *Expanded list of recommended terms to reduce stigma and negative bias when talking about addiction (NIH)*

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