

Prescriber Information

Prescribing Guidelines

There are several different guidelines for prescribing opiates for pain based on type of clinical situation these include: Acute pain, Chronic non-terminal pain, and Acute pain in the acute care setting. These guidelines were created by the Governors Cabinet Opiate Action Team (GCOAT). The CDC has also created guidelines and information related to prescribing opiates which is available on their website at: <https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/providers/index.html>.

The Ohio Department of Health launched the media campaign Take Charge Ohio this year. This website offers a toolkit for providers with information about prescribing guidelines, patient education resources, and trainings available. All this information and more can be found at: <http://www.takechargeohio.org/Toolkits/Healthcare-Professionals>.



OARRS Integration and Use

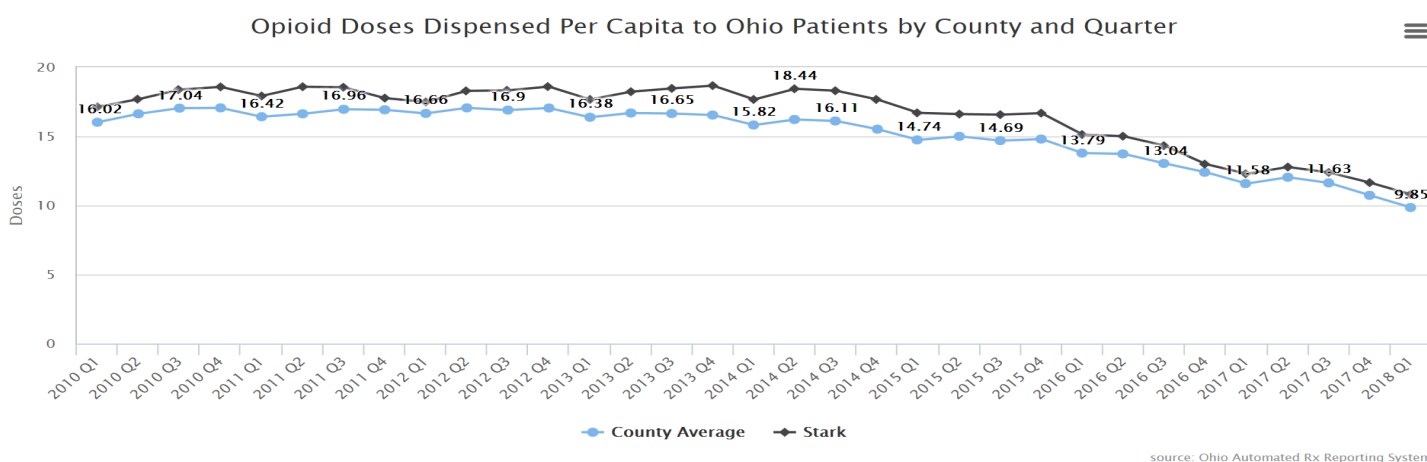
The Ohio Board of Pharmacy has recently added a new tool for prescribers. This tool allows you to run a compliance report to see how well you are doing when it comes to checking and prescribing opiates to patients. The Ohio Board of Pharmacy also created a pocket card for pharmacists and prescribers on when it is appropriate to run an OARRS report. This card is available at: <https://www.pharmacy.ohio.gov/Documents/LawsRules/RuleChanges/OARRSRules/When%20to%20Check%20OARRS%20-%20Pocket%20Card%20-%20Prescribers%20and%20Pharmacists.pdf>.

OARRS has been integrated into a lot of electronic medical record systems over the past few years. Below is a link to the current list of integrated systems and the status of systems that are currently being integrated.

<https://wholesale.ohiopmp.gov/Portal/IntegrationStatus.aspx>

If your EMR does not currently integrate with the OARRS system and you would like more information about it please contact schoonoverm@starkhealth.org.

The graph below comes from OARRS and displays the number of opioid doses dispensed per capita by County. The number of opioids dispensed has been steadily decreasing over the past several years, with Quarter 1 of 2018 being the lowest rate yet. When compared to the county average Stark has consistently been slightly higher, however the separation between the two lines is narrowing. This is a positive indication that Stark County providers like yourself are utilizing prescribing guidelines and accessing OARRS.



Trainings Available

There are several trainings available for you and your office to help with the understanding of the opiate epidemic and ways providers can make a difference in their patients lives and the community as a whole. With information and laws changing rapidly, it is important to keep up with the most current information. Below is a list of trainings online and in the surrounding area which will help keep you current on the issue at hand.



Online Trainings

The CDC offers several online trainings for prescribers which offer free CME's the training topics include:

- ♦ Addressing the Opioid Epidemic
- ♦ Treating Chronic Pain without Opioids
- ♦ Communicating with Patients
- ♦ Reducing the Risks of Opioids
- ♦ Assessing and Addressing Opioid Use Disorder

These trainings are available at the link below with more topics coming soon.

<https://www.cdc.gov/drugoverdose/training/online-training.html>

Data 2000 Prescriber Training for Medication-Assisted-Treatment

Ohio Mental Health and Addiction Services offers online and live classes for Physicians, Nurse Practitioners and Physician Assistants to receive their data 2000 waiver. Please look at the link below for more information and schedule.

<http://workforce.mha.ohio.gov/Workforce-Development/Health-Professionals/Cures-Act-Prescriber-MAT-Training>

Local Trainings



Save the Date

Opiate
Symposium

Wednesday November 14, 2018

