Safe Use of Opioids
Improving Patient Care

Extended-release and Long-acting Opioid Risk Evaluation and Mitigation Strategy: Achieving Safe Use While Improving Patient Care

More than 33 million Americans misused extended-release and long-acting (ER/LA) opioids during 2007, up from 29 million in 2002, according to data from the Food and Drug Administration, yet these drugs have long been a major tool in the management of chronic pain or treatment following a painful injury or surgery. Highly effective but with high potential for harm, ER/LA opioid therapy poses a number of challenges including initial and ongoing risk assessment, management of adverse effects, rotation and tapering, communication about safe use, and laws and regulations.

To educate physicians and their health care teams on pain management and safe use of ER/LA opioids and help address these challenges, the Wisconsin Medical Society, Interstate Postgraduate Medical Association (IPMA) and the Collaborative for REMS Education (CO*RE), have partnered to offer this two-hour program, for which CME credit is available.

Who Should Attend
This educational activity is intended for physicians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants practicing in family medicine, geriatrics, internal medicine, addiction medicine, pain management, neurology, rheumatology as well as urgent and emergent care health care professionals who treat patients with chronic pain.

When / Where
January 6, 2016: Rock County
The Beloit Club
2327 S Riverside Dr, Beloit, WI 53511
7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

January 13, 2016: Eau Claire County
Mayo Clinic, Wishart Building, Gold Conference Center
5 p.m. – 7 p.m.

January 20, 2016: Dane County
Wisconsin Medical Society
330 E Lakeside St, Madison, WI 53715
6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

January 21, 2016: Milwaukee County
University Club
924 E Wells St, Milwaukee, WI 53202
6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

January 27, 2016: Brown County
Green Bay Country Club
2400 Klondike Rd, Green Bay, WI 54311
7 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Registration Information
There is no cost to attend these live activities but registration is required. Visit https://www.wisconsinmedicalsociety.org/professional/professional-development/continuing-medical-education/opioid-education/ to register for the event in your area, or contact Kate Nisbet at knisbet@ipmameded.org or call 608.231.9045 (toll free 866.446.3424) for more information.
Course Objectives

Following this educational activity, learners should be able to:

• Describe appropriate patient assessment for treatment with ER/LA opioid analgesics, evaluating risks and potential benefits of ER/LA therapy, as well as possible misuse.

• Apply proper methods to initiate therapy, modify dose, and discontinue use of ER/LA opioid analgesics, applying best practices including accurate dosing and conversion techniques, as well as appropriate discontinuation methods.

• Demonstrate accurate knowledge about how to manage ongoing therapy with ER/LA opioid analgesics and properly use evidence-based tools while assessing for adverse effects.

• Employ methods to counsel patients and caregivers about the safe use of ER/LA opioid analgesics, including proper storage and disposal.

• Review/assess general and product-specific drug information concerning ER/LA opioid analgesics and identifying potential adverse effects of ER/LA opioids.

• Present and outline appropriate use of the Wisconsin Prescription Drug Monitoring Program.

• Updates on MEB and legislative activities that may impact opioid prescribing in Wisconsin.

CME

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the accreditation requirements and policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME). The IPMA is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

IPMA designates this live activity for a maximum of 2.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Acknowledgement

Presented by IPMA, a member of the Collaborative on REMS Education (CO*RE), and the Wisconsin Medical Society.

ER/LA Opioid REMS: Achieving Safe Use While Improving Patient Care was developed by the CO*RE organizations working with nationally known experts in the ER/LA opioid field.

RPC Commercial Support Disclosure Statement

This educational activity is supported by an independent educational grant from the ER/LA Opioid Analgesic REMS Program Companies (RPC). Please see www.er-la-opioidREMS.com for a listing of the member companies. This activity is intended to be fully compliant with the ER/LA Opioid Analgesic REMS education requirements issued by the US Food & Drug Administration (FDA).

Americans with Disabilities Act

The planners of this activity seek to make it accessible to all. If you have a disability which might require special accommodations, please call 608.442.3800.

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