

Approved by the CMS Board of Directors on March 11, 2016

Committee on Prescription Drug Abuse (Action)

2016 Work Plan

In response to the board of directors request for a 2016 plan of action, the following is submitted for approval

1. Develop and support physician education regarding opioid prescribing and the DORA Opioid Policy:
 - a. Work with CPEP to support their PCP skill-set workshop (based on the Vanderbilt Curriculum);
 - b. Support the Colorado Department of Health Care Policy and Financing's Chronic Pain Disease Management Program (Project ECHO) and encourage CMS physicians to participate;
 - c. Participate in DORA stakeholder meetings regarding revisions to the Quad Boards Opioid Prescribing Guidelines.
2. Support the Colorado Consortium on Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention by encouraging CMS physicians to participate in the Consortium Workgroups.
 - a. Support the Colorado Consortium by working with other stakeholders to secure stable funding for its activities;
 - b. Educate physicians on the limits of PDMP disclosures;
 - c. Work with the Public Awareness workgroup to develop public service announcements;
 - d. Monitor the CDPHE medication take back/disposal rule-making process.
3. Participate with the University of Colorado School of Public Health on opioid and other prescription drug abuse-related research and data collection.
4. Monitor opioid and other prescription drug abuse-related legislation proposed by the Colorado Legislature and recommend positions to the CMS Council on Legislation as needed.

Background: Reducing Opioid abuse and misuse is a CMS priority established by the board of directors in late 2012. The CMS Committee on Prescription Drug Abuse was established by the board of directors and works to implement CMS policies.