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The National Pain Strategy and the New CDC Opioid Prescribing Guidelines: What They Mean to You

Persistent pain is a public health crisis in the U.S. Given the high prevalence of pain and associated disability caused by pain, the National Pain Strategy and the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Guidelines for Managing Chronic Pain were recently released. The National Pain Strategy is our country's first coordinated effort to develop a plan to address the care of people with pain. The controversial CDC Guidelines offer recommendations for managing persistent pain. Come to this session to learn more about what these new publications mean to health care providers and people with pain.

This professional education program, The National Pain Strategy and the New CDC Opioid Prescribing Guidelines: What They Mean to You, is designed for nurses, physicians, pharmacists, CAM providers, social workers, a person with pain and anyone interested in pain.

Topics include:

- National Pain Strategy
- CDC Guidelines

Three CEs are awarded for physicians, nurses and social workers.

Speakers

Daniel Carr, MD, MA, Professor of Public Health and Community Medicine and Program Director, Pain, Research, Education and Policy at Tufts University School of Medicine

Cindy Steinberg, BA, BS, National Director of Policy and Advocacy for the U.S. Pain Foundation, member of the Interagency Pain Research Coordinating Committee and the Chair of the Massachusetts Pain Initiative Policy Council

Schedule

Wednesday, April 13, 2016, 8:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m., Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites, 265 Lakeside Avenue, Marlborough, MA

Cost: \$60.00 fee includes materials fee and CEs.

Register

For more information or to register, please contact Kathy DellaPenna at Info@MassPainInitiative.org.

About [Massachusetts Pain Initiative](#)

MassPI is a statewide, nonprofit, volunteer organization dedicated to ending needless suffering from persistent and acute pain and to improving the quality of life for all people affected by pain.

Comprised of healthcare professionals and laypersons, the organization includes physicians, nurses, social workers, caregivers and community members who are interested in helping people with pain.

Membership in the organization is free. MassPI works with volunteers interested in improving the quality of life for those affected by pain. For information, visit MassPainInitiative.org or contact

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