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Prescription Opioid Abuse

Resources and tools to help pharmacies combat the opioid abuse epidemic

Allied Against Opioid Abuse (AAOA) worked with the National Community Pharmacists Association (NCPA), National Alliance of State Pharmacy Associations (NASPA) and several state pharmacy associations to develop a suite of resources specific to the pharmacy community.

Your Ally in Addressing Opioid Abuse

Founded by the Healthcare Distribution Alliance (HDA), AAOA is a national education and awareness initiative to help prevent abuse and misuse of prescription opioids. Our goal is to contribute to solving the opioid crisis and support community pharmacists like you. We are working on several ways to help you talk with your patients about the rights, risks and responsibilities associated with prescription opioids.

Partners

Other AAOA partners include: Alliance for Aging Research, American Physical Therapy Association, BeMedWise, Caregiver Action Network, Gerontological Society of America, Healthcare Leadership Council, HealthyWomen, Men’s Health Network, Mental Health America, National Association of Directors of Nursing Administration, National Association of States United for Aging and Disabilities, National Transitions of Care Coalition and the PA Foundation.
Patients’ Rights, Risks and Responsibilities associated with prescription opioids

As a trusted healthcare professional, you are well positioned to talk to your patients about prescription opioids.

Rights
Discuss prescription options such as partial fill, talk about your patients’ right to make an informed decision and encourage conversations about alternative treatments.

Risks
Make sure your patients understand the potential risks and side effects of prescription opioids.

Responsibilities
Remind patients of their responsibility to safely use, store and dispose of pain medicines. These actions help to prevent misuse and abuse.

AAOA Pharmacy Toolkit

The toolkit will help pharmacists raise awareness among patients and caregivers and navigate difficult but important conversations to prevent abuse and misuse of prescription opioids. The toolkit includes:

- Pharmacy Display
- Patient Handout
- Patient Engagement Guide
- Tips for Talking with Patients and Caregivers
- Provider Engagement Guide
- Social Graphics
- Safe Storage and Disposal Training

Learn more at www.AgainstOpioidAbuse.org/pharmacytoolkit
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