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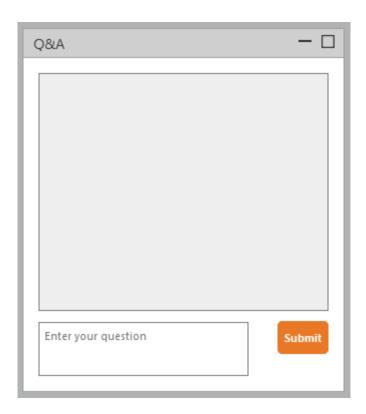
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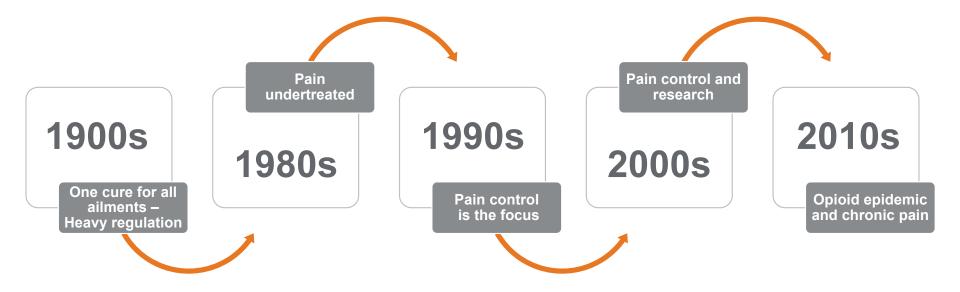
- 1. Opioid history How did we get here?
- 2. The opioid epidemic
- 3. The holistic approach to opioid controls
- 4. The need for opioid controls
- 5. Are the controls working?
- 6. Alternative therapies for pain
- 7. What's next?
- 8. Questions



History of opioids



How did we get here?





Opioid epidemic





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Sources:

1 https://www.statnews.com/2017/06/27/opioid-deaths-forecast



11_4 people misused prescription opioids⁴

Peak in 2012 with 255 million total opioid prescriptions²
In 2015 enough opioids were prescribed to medicate every American adult every four hours for three weeks³





Opioid prescribing rates increased from 76 million in 1991 to **191 million in 2017**²

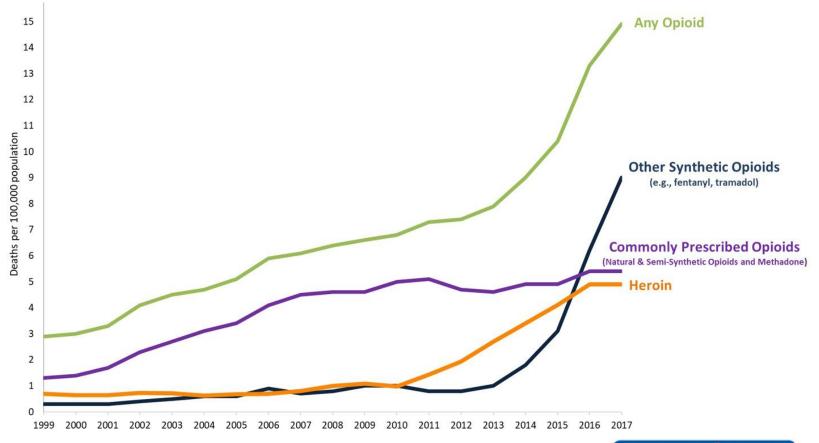
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Overdose death rates involving opioids by type, United States 2000-2017



SOURCE: CDC/NCHS, National Vital Statistics System, Mortality. CDC WONDER, Atlanta, GA: US Department of Health and Human Services, CDC; 2018. https://wonder.cdc.gov/.





Opioid analgesics are shockingly easy to obtain



of U.S. citizens have leftover opioids in their home



of misused opioid prescriptions come from a friend or relative



of patients who overdose receive an opioid prescription within 10 months



The opioid epidemic

Between 8-12% develop an opioid use disorder

An estimated 4-6% who misuse prescription opioids transition to heroin

About 80% of people who use heroin first misused prescription opioids

Roughly 21 to 29% of patients prescribed opioids for chronic pain misuse them



The opioid epidemic

•Opioid overdoses increased 30% from July 2016 through September 2017 in 52 areas in 45 states.

- •The Midwestern region saw opioid overdoses increase 70% from July 2016 through September 2017
- •Opioid overdoses in large cities increased by 54% in 16 states

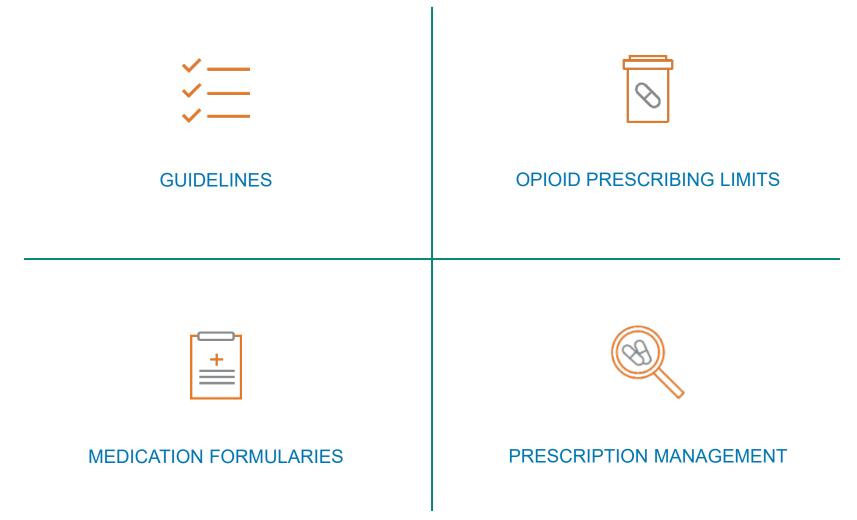




Holistic approach to opioid controls



Holistic approach to opioid controls





MED levels

Official Disability Guidelines (ODG)

MED should be limited to **100 mg/day**

American College Of Occupational & Environmental Medicine (ACOEM)

In most cases, MED should be limited to **50 mg/day**, particularly in the acute setting; although, sub-acute and chronic pain patients may require higher doses



CDC guidelines

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- Influence the use of Prescription Drug Monitoring Programs (PDMPs)
- Recommend the use of opioid analgesic risk assessment tools
- Establish treatment goals, expectations and a plan for discontinuing opioid analgesics
- Use urine drug testing at baseline and at least annually





CDC Guidelines



ACUTE PHASE (DAY 0-89)

Clinicians should **carefully reassess evidence** of individual benefits and risks when increasing dosage to ≥50 mg/day MED

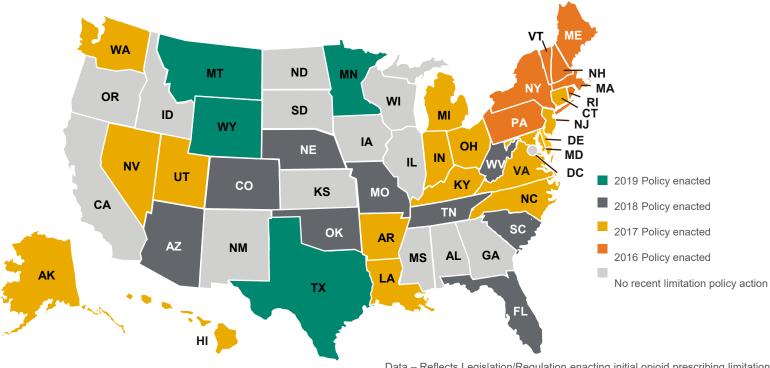
CHRONIC PHASE (DAY 90 AND BEYOND)

Clinicians should **avoid or carefully justify** a decision to increase a dosage ≥ 90 mg/day MED



Opioid prescribing limits



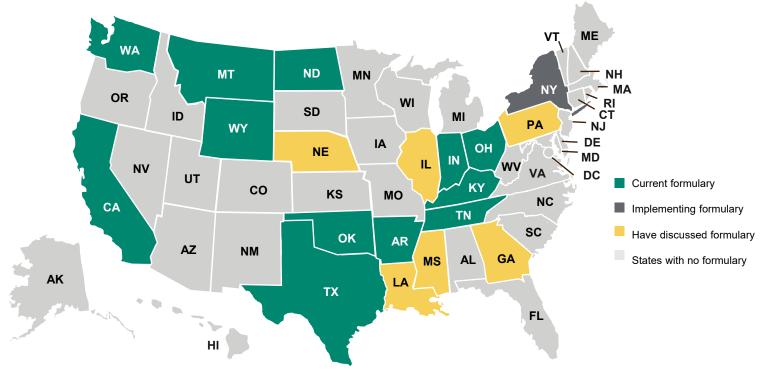


Data – Reflects Legislation/Regulation enacting initial opioid prescribing limitations. Note – Initial days supply limitations can vary across jurisdictions and treatment facilities. Current as of **July 2019**.



Medication formularies



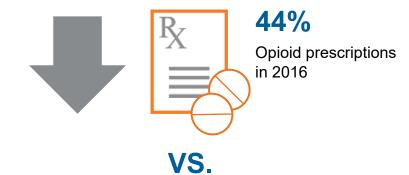


Current as of July 2019.



Formulary impact drug utilization FY 2016 vs. 2011





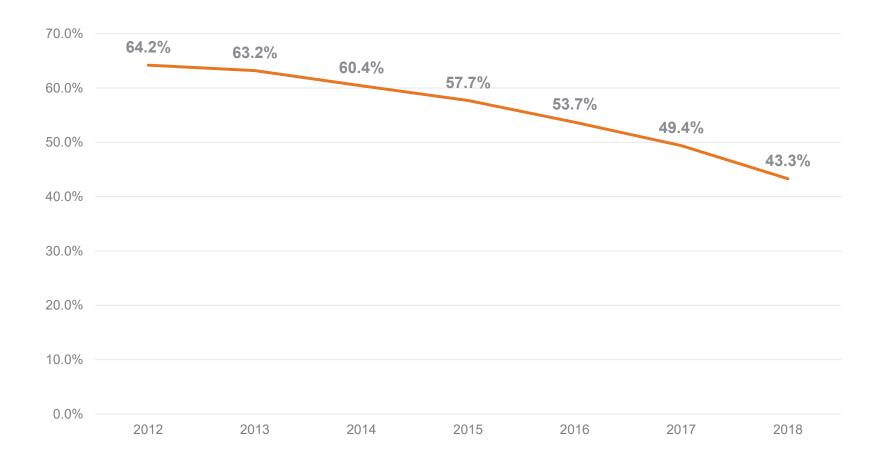
48%

Opioid prescriptions in 2011





Percentage of injured workers with opioid scripts



Source:

Optum Workers' Comp and Auto No-Fault book of business 2018 trend data



Prescription Management



- Verify eligibility based on information provide by the client
- Implement formularies selected by the client or based on the state guidance
- Implement utilization programs selected by the client to help support appropriate network dispensing
- Trend and report on utilization
- Alert claims professionals to jurisdictional or client program guidelines





Are the controls working?

IMPACT OF CONTROLS ON OPIOIDS IN WORKERS' COMPENSATION



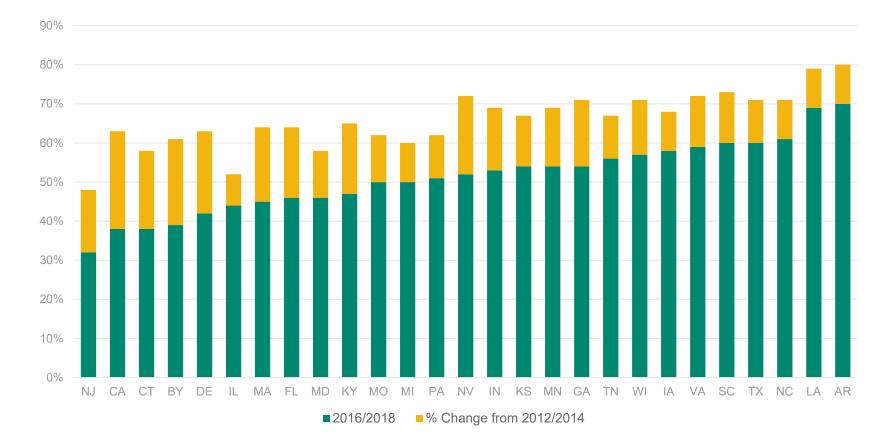
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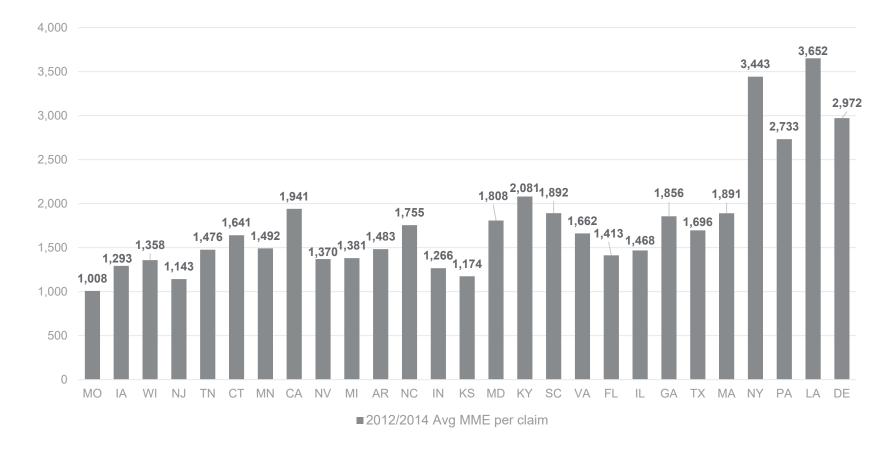
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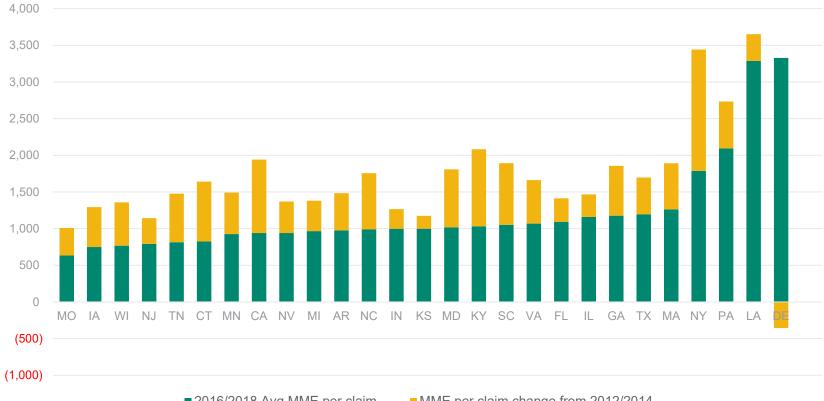
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■ 2016/2018 Avg MME per claim

MME per claim change from 2012/2014

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Several reforms coincided with reductions in opioids filled over the study period

	CA	NY	СТ	KY
Change in % claims with prescriptions that had opioids	-25 ppt	-22ppt	-20 ppt	-18 ppt
Change in avg. Amount of opioids per claim	-52%	-48%	-50%	-50%
Change In Median Amount Of Opioids Per Claim	-33%	-33%	-25%	-24%
PDMP Prescriber Mandate	*	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark
WC Treatment Guidelines	~	\checkmark	\checkmark	*
WC Drug Formulary	~	*		*
Quantity Limits On Initial Rx	✓ (formulary)	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark

* Law passed but the effective date is beyond the study period or TBD.



Categorizing claims according to pain medication receipt



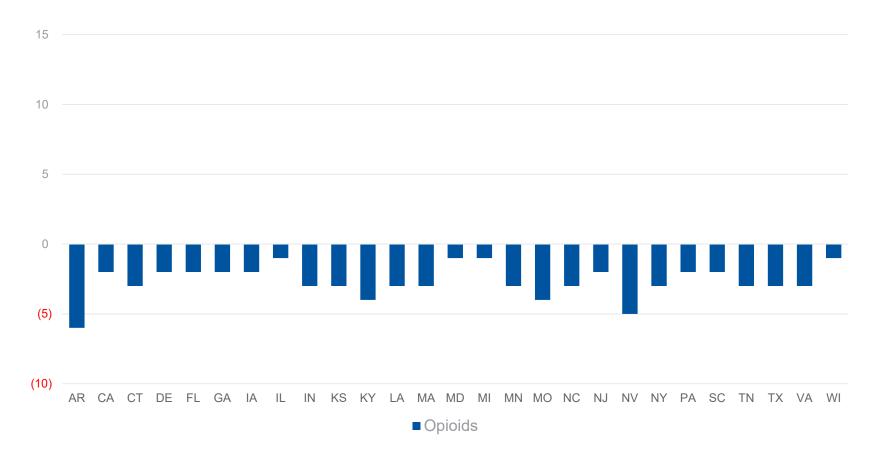
Non-opioid analgesic receipt

Pain medication refers to:

- Opioids
- Nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs)
- Anticonvulsants
- Corticosteroids

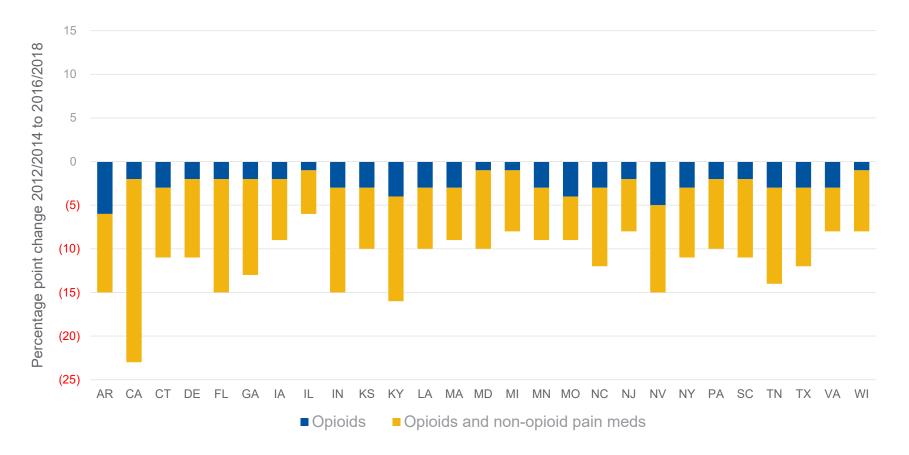
- Topical analgesics
- Antidepressants
- Compound drugs
- Other analgesics





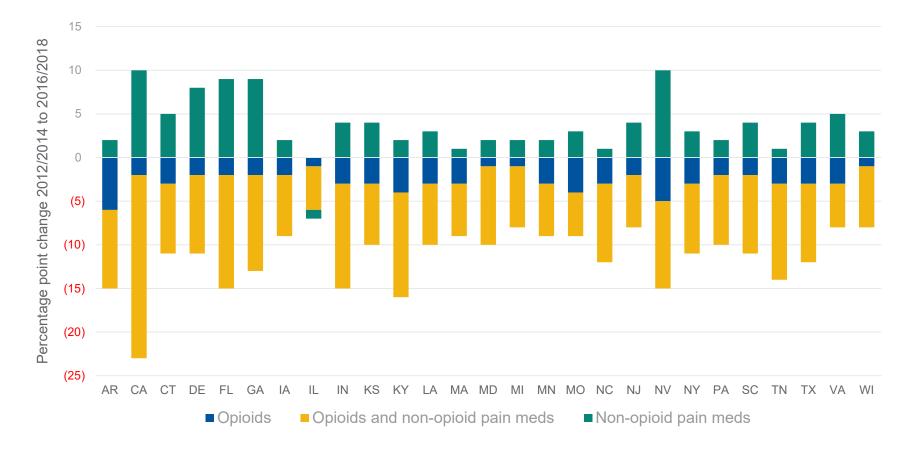
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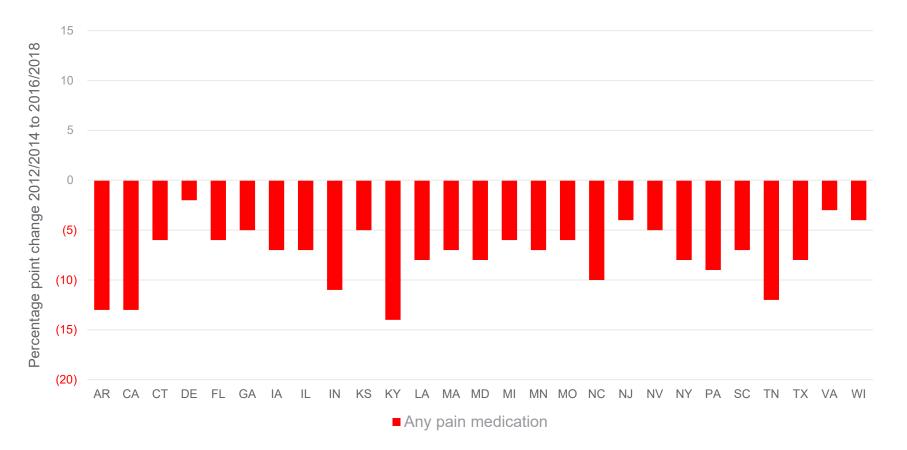
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Pain medication refers to opioids, nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), anticonvulsants, corticosteroids, topical analgesics, antidepressants, compound drugs, and other analgesics.



Categorizing claims according to pain treatment

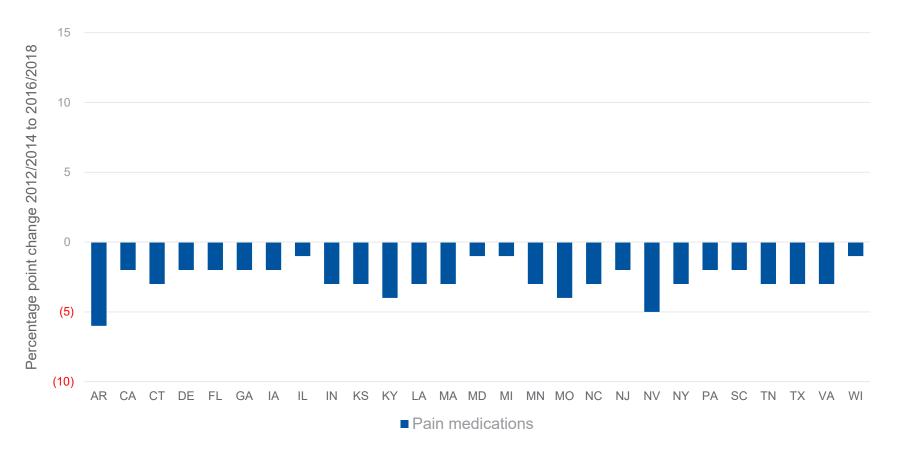


Non-pharmacologic treatment

Non-pharmacologic treatment (NPT): at least one paid visit for

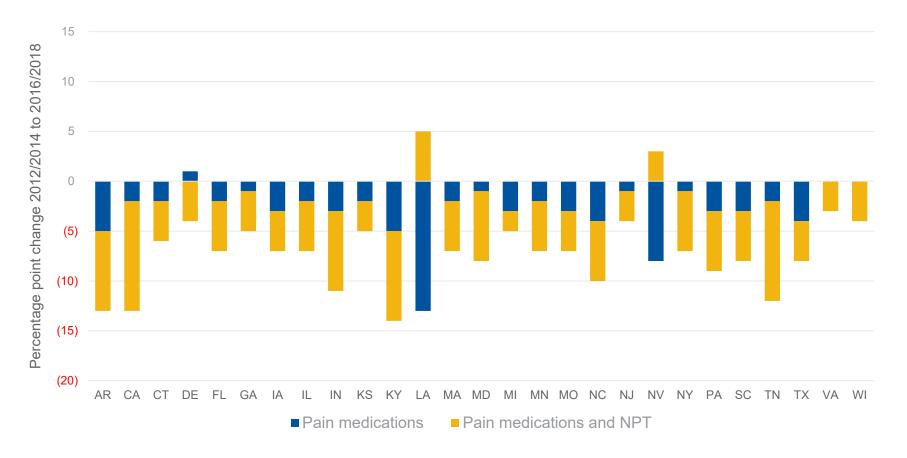
- 1) physician therapy evaluation
- 2) Active or passive physical therapy
- 3) Manipulation
- 4) Acupuncture
- 5) Behavioral therapy
- 6) Interventional pain management





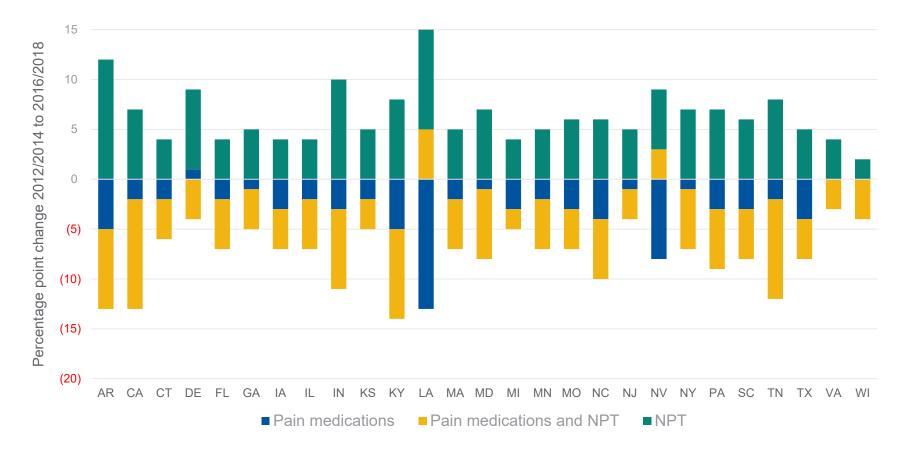
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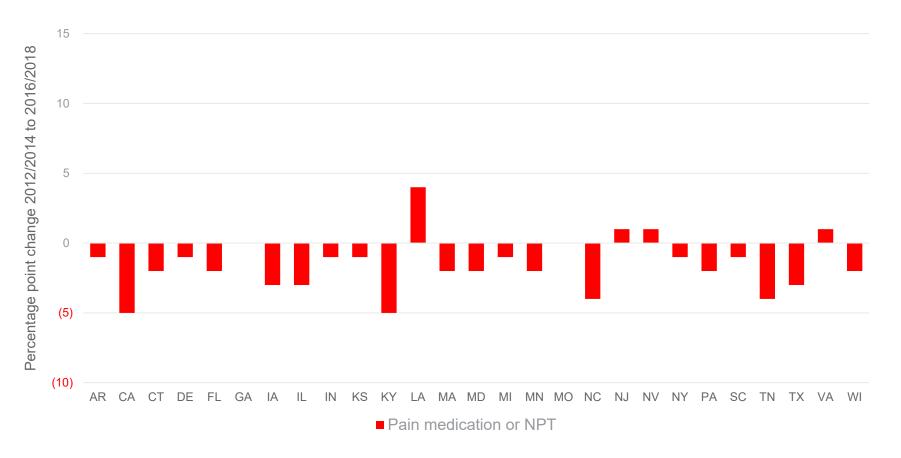
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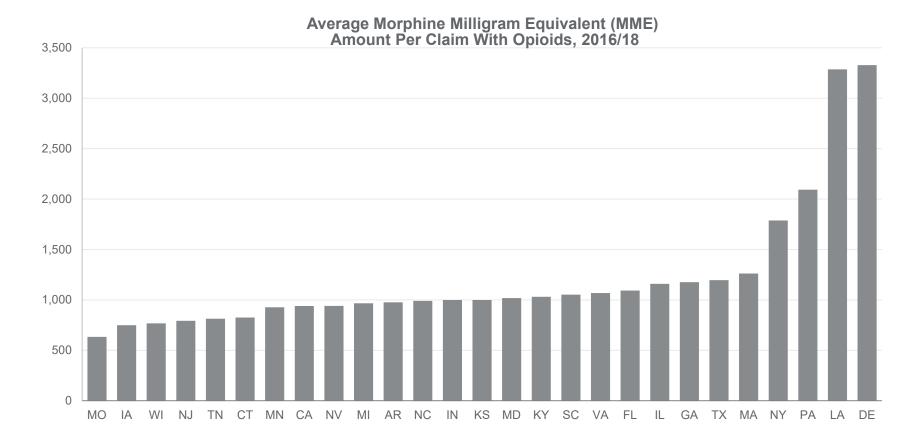




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Amount of opioids per claim continued to be higher in DE, LA, PA, and NY



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Higher amount could be driven by longer duration or stronger doses

MME per claim = Number of Rx *

Quantity

Strength

Morphine conversion factor (CF)

*

Rx Fill Date	Medication name	Morphine CF	Narcotic strength	Quantity	MME
01/01/2016	Vicodin®	1	5 mg	40	200
01/10/2016	Percocet®	1.5	10 mg	60	900
					1,100

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Larger variations in duration of opioids, smaller variations in average daily dose of opioids

Based on claims with opioids that had days of supply populated for all opioid Rx	Median of states studied	Range among states studied
Average Duration Of Opioids Dispensed (days)	36	22–115
Average Morphine Equivalent Daily Dose (MED) Of Opioids (milligrams)	34	27–40

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Most prescribed opioids in study states

Oxycodone	(Percocet, OxyContin)
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Connecticut

Delaware

Maine

New Jersey

New York

Pennsylvania

Tramadol (Ultram, Ultracet)

Florida Georgia Maryland Texas

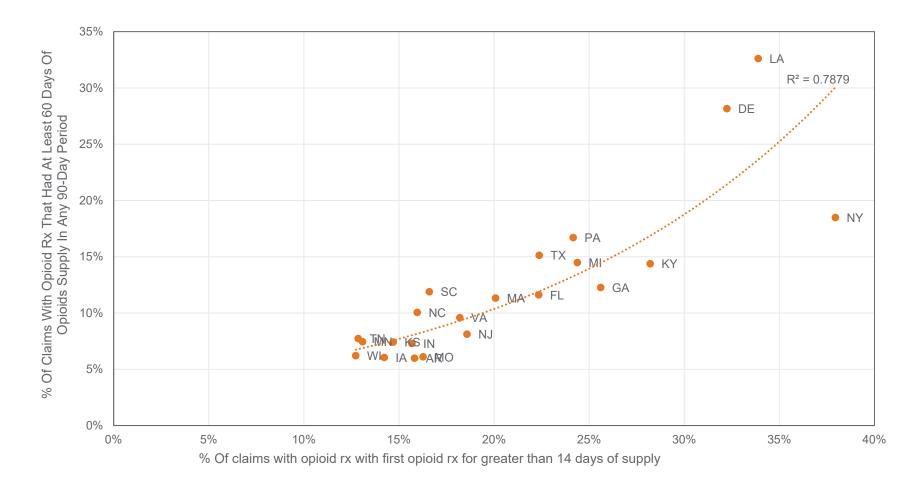
Hydrocodone-acetaminophen (Vicodin, Lortab)

Arizona	Michigan	
California	Minnesota	
Illinois	Missouri	
Indiana	Nevada	
lowa	North Carolina	
Kansas	South Carolina	
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Louisiana	Virginia	
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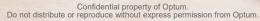
Receipt of longer duration initial opioid Rx correlated with receipt of chronic opioids





Summary What to watch for in workers' compensation





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