

TITLE: Education in Opioid Prescribing

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RESEARCH PROJECT DESCRIPTION (brief overview of background, hypothesis, methods, role of medical student, funding and relevant publications -- SHOULD NOT EXCEED ~ 250 WORDS)

The opioid epidemic continues to garner interest by physicians, politicians, and the media. A large body of evidence continues to grow that demonstrates that impact of the opioid epidemic. The impact of residents on the opioid epidemic is poorly understood. Many residents enter residency with little training in the prescribing of opioids. Best practices in opioid prescribing have not been defined. The goal of this project is to establish a curriculum for residents to learn optimal opioid prescribing practices. The curriculum will be applicable across specialties with specific sections applicable to particular specialties.

The medical student will be expected to develop a literature-based curriculum in opioid prescribing. He/she will be expected to learn about education research and apply this knowledge to develop a model to assess the effectiveness of the opioid curriculum. He/she will become knowledgeable with patient quality and safety research and apply these principles to the project. The medical student should expect to generate a poster and ideally a manuscript for his/her work.