The NEW Florida OPIOID Prescribing Law Mandated by the Florida Legislature (HB 21)

What you need to know:

3-Day LIMIT

- Applies to treatment of acute pain for Schedule II opioids
- Does not apply to:
  - Cancer
  - Terminal condition
  - Pain related with palliative care
  - Traumatic injury with ISS of 9 or higher (* see below)

- When prescribing schedule II opioid for traumatic injury with an ISS score of 9 or higher, physician is required to also prescribe an emergency opioid antagonist

- 7-day supply allowed if:
  - If physician determines it medically necessary
  - Script includes “Acute Pain Exception”
  - Reason for exemption documented on chart

- For chronic pain patients:
  - You must indicate “NONACUTE PAIN” on a prescription for an opioid drug listed as a Schedule II controlled substance in s. 893.03 or 21 U.S.C. s. 812

You must maintain:
- Complete Medical Record
- Controlled Substance Agreement
- Driver’s License

PDMP

- The E-FORSE state Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP) must be consulted for every schedule II-V prescription
  - For patients 16 or older
  - Only exception is Schedule V non-opioids

- PDMP may be accessed by designated staff with individual login

- If the PDMP is down at the time of the script, you must document the script, time and reason you are unable to access
  - Physician may not prescribe more than a 3-day supply

CME Req.

- All physicians with a Florida Medical License and a DEA License must complete a two-hour mandatory CME course before January 31, 2019
- CME must be completed for each subsequent Licensure Renewal
- BY LAW, the course is only available from a Florida statewide professional association of physicians accredited by the AMA or AOA to provide category 1 or 1-A credit
- Takes effect beginning with renewals scheduled for January 2019

This law TAKES EFFECT
July 1, 2018!

This is a summary of the provisions of HB 21, provided for convenience purposes only. For complete information, please consult the text of the legislation at https://www.flsenate.gov/Session/Bill/2018/21/BillText/er/PDF

Access the state mandated course at: http://www.foma.org/opioid-prescribing-controlled-substances-2hr-course.html

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