## Domains & Values: Opioids

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| **Ensure an Appropriate Balance is Struck Between Promoting Access to Appropriate Pain Management for Chronic Conditions and Curbing Inappropriate Access to and Abuse of Opioids** | • Ensure people with chronic conditions are able to access opioid and non-opioid pain management treatment when medically appropriate  
• Ensure opioids are not overprescribed or not prescribed at all when alternatives are more appropriate  
• Advance the enhanced integration and increased utilization of prescription drug monitoring programs for drugs with abuse potential to curb inappropriate access, while protecting access for appropriate users |
| **Ensure Adequate Support for Those Battling Addiction** | • Preserve and expand access to treatment for individuals battling addiction across the spectrum of treatment options, including but not limited to rehabilitation, talk therapy, medication assisted treatment, alternative therapies, etc. |
| **Increase Research and Development Efforts** | • Support research into alternative products and non-opioid pain management therapies, and more effective treatments for opioid addiction  
• Invest in innovation for opioid-abuse-deterrent formulations  
• Incorporate the needs of chronic care patients into evaluations of opioid and non-opioid alternative products’ benefit-risk assessments |
| **Enhance Patient, Caregiver, and Provider Education** | • Increase patient, caregiver, and provider education initiatives to increase awareness on risks, interactions, safe storage and disposal practices, access to support services for addiction treatment, appropriate prescribing, etc.  
• Ensure FDA labeling updates benefit people with chronic conditions |