

## Treating Pain & Addiction (December 3, 2021) Course Information

## **Intended Audience**

This continuing education program was designed specifically for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians.

## **Pharmacist and Pharmacy Technician Learning Objectives**

At the completion of this activity, the participant will be able to:

- 1. Describe the variable clinical presentations of chronic pain.
- 2. Describe evidence-based therapies for the treatment of chronic pain.
- 3. Design a patient-specific opioid tapering strategy, including pre-planning and response to sideeffects and opioid withdrawal symptoms.
- 4. Participate in patient-centered crucial conversations related to an opioid taper that supportspatient engagement throughout the process.
- 5. Apply clinically appropriate next steps for patients unable to proceed with a taper, including patients who have a co-occurring substance use disorder that has not previously been identified.
- 6. Explore the impact of the patient provider relationship on effective communications and approaches to pain management.

## **Pharmacy Continuing Education Requirements**

This activity is structured to meet knowledge-based educational needs. A knowledge-based activity acquires factual knowledge. Information in knowledge-based activities is based on evidence as accepted in the literature by the health care professions. Pharmacy continuing education (PCE) credit will be earned based on participation in this activity. Any individual who is more than 10 minutes late toan activity or leaves an activity early will not be granted PCE credit. This procedure will be strictly enforced, so please plan accordingly.

Participants must fully participate in the activity and complete an online activity evaluation and posttest questions, if received by presenters, with a passing score of 70 percent or greater before December 17, 2021 (NOTE: This deadline is 2 weeks post event date). Online evaluations and posttests will not be available for completion and requests to process credit will not be accepted after this date. See the program instruction sheet distributed during the activity for the online activity link. Credit willnot be processed until the online evaluation and posttest has officially closed for response. Please allow MPA two weeks to grade posttests and process and upload credit to CPE Monitor after the evaluation and posttest has closed. NOTE: ACPE guidelines prohibit MPA from issuing credit more than 60 days after the activity for any reason; therefore, to avoid denial of credit, it is imperative that pharmacists and pharmacy technicians complete the online evaluation and posttest by the deadline indicated to allow sufficient time for processing. If all requirements are met, participants will receive pharmacy continuing education (PCE) credit through CPE Monitor, a national, collaborative effort by ACPE and the National Association of Boards of Pharmacy (NABP) to provide an electronic system for pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to track their completed PCE credits. MPA, as an ACPE-accredited provider, is required to report pharmacist and pharmacy technician PCE credit using this tracking system. Pharmacistand pharmacy technician participants must provide their NABP e-Profile identification number and date ofbirth (in MMDD format) when they complete activity evaluations. It will be the responsibility of the participant to provide the correct information. If this information is not correctly provided, NABP and ACPEprohibit MPA from issuing CPE credit. Online access to their inventory of completed credits will allow pharmacists and pharmacy technicians to easily monitor their compliance with CPE requirements and print statements of credit. Therefore, MPA will not provide printed statements of credit to pharmacists andpharmacy technicians. Partial credit will not be awarded. If you have yet to sign up for CPE Monitor, go to MyCPEMonitor.net.

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