



# IP-11022017 The Opioid Crisis and Chronic Pain Management

## *Continuing Education (CE) Activity Information & Instructions* (In-Person Activity #: IP-11022017)

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# Continuing Education Credit Information

## Continuing Education Credit

### Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME)

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) designates this live activity for a maximum of 2.0 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credits™*. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity. Credit for this course expires at midnight on November 20, 2017.

### International Association for Continuing Education and Training (IACET)

The Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) is authorized by IACET to offer 0.2 Continuing Education Unit (CEU) for this activity. CEU will be awarded to participants who meet all criteria for successful completion of this educational activity. CEU credit for this course expires at midnight on November 20, 2017.

### Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE)

The FDA Center for Drug Evaluation and Research is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education as a Provider of continuing pharmacy education. (ACPE Universal Activity No. 0601-0000-17-135-L04-P). This program meets the criteria for 1.5 contact hour(s) of pharmacy education.



This activity is a knowledge-based activity. These CE activities are primarily constructed to transmit knowledge (i.e., facts). The facts must be based on evidence as accepted in the literature by the health care professions.

### American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)

FDA Center for Drug Evaluation and Research is accredited as a provider of continuing nursing education by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. FDA Center for Drug Evaluation and Research designates this activity for 1.5 contact hour(s).

## Accreditation Statements

[Please click here for accreditation statements.](#)

## Instructions for Continuing Education Credit

The Medicare Learning Network® (MLN) recently upgraded its Learning Management System (LMS).

If you were already registered in the former MLN Learning Management System (LMS), you do not need to create a new login or password. However, the appearance of the system and instructions for registering, logging-in, accessing courses, and obtaining certificate information have all changed.

For more information on the new LMS, please visit <https://www.cms.gov/Outreach-and-Education/Medicare-Learning-Network-MLN/MLNProducts/Downloads/LMPOS-FAQs-Booklet-ICN909182.pdf>.

### Learning Management System (LMS) Instructions

In order to receive continuing education credit for this activity, you must pass the session post-assessment and complete the evaluation. The continuing education post-assessments and evaluations are being administered through the Medicare Learning Network®.

**The post-assessment will be available on the Medicare Learning Network® (MLN) Learning Management System (LMS). Participants will need to login or register, to access the post-assessment.**

#### Registering To Take a Post-Assessment

If you have previously taken Medicare Learning Network® (MLN) web-based training (WBT) courses, you may use the login ID and password you created for those courses. If you are a new user, you will need to register.

#### To register (if you do NOT have an account):

1. Go to the LMS Homepage <https://learner.mlnlms.com>
2. Click on “Create Account”
3. Enter information for all the required fields (with the red asterisks) and click “Create”

**\*NOTE:** When you get to the ‘Organization’ field, click on Select. From the ‘Select Organizations’ screen, leave the ‘Find Organization’ field blank and click Search. Select ‘CMS-MLN Learners Domain - Organization’ and click Save.

Please add [MLN@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:MLN@cms.hhs.gov) to your address book to prevent MLN communication from going into your spam folder.

#### To login (if you already have an account):

1. Go to the LMS Homepage <https://learner.mlnlms.com>
2. Enter your login ID and password and click on “Log In”

**Finding the Post-Assessment:**

1. Go to the LMS Homepage <https://learner.mlnlms.com>
2. Enter your login ID and password and click on “Log In”
3. Click on “Training Catalog” in the menu beneath the MLN logo
4. Enter “**IP-11022017 The Opioid Crisis and Chronic Pain Management**” in the “search for” box and click "search"
5. Click on the title
6. Click “Enroll”
7. Click "Enroll" again
8. Click “Open Item”
9. Click "Post-Assessment"

**Accessing Your Transcript and Certificate**

To complete the course and get your certificate, you must complete the course evaluation. [Please click here for instructions for completing the evaluation and accessing your transcript and certificate.](#)

**ACPE and ANCC Statements of Credit**

Nurses Statements of Credit for CE will be issued 10 weeks after the last session of this activity. Pharmacists should log into the CPE monitor 10 weeks after the last session of the activity to obtain their CE credit.

For questions regarding continuing education credit contact [CMSCE@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:CMSCE@cms.hhs.gov) via email.

**Hardware/Software Requirements**

[Please click here for hardware and software requirements.](#)

**CMS Privacy Policy**

[Please click here for CMS’ Privacy Policy.](#)

**Help**

For questions regarding the content of this activity, or technical assistance with the Medicare Learning Network® (MLN) Learning Management System (LMS), your assessment, or certificate, contact CMSCE at [CMSCE@cms.hhs.gov](mailto:CMSCE@cms.hhs.gov) via email.

## **Activity Information**

### **Activity Description**

The goal of this activity is to educate health care providers, caregivers, and administrators on the government's strategies for addressing the opioid crisis in the United States, provide them with tools to help address chronic pain and opioid addiction, and connect providers across the care continuum to work together to coordinate care for patients.

### **Target Audience**

This activity is intended for physicians, pharmacists, nurses and all Health Care Professionals; Federally qualified health centers (FQHCs); Hospital/critical access hospital/ambulatory surgical centers; pharmacies' home health agency/hospice, state health agencies, and partners; and medical, nursing and pharmacy boards.

### **Learning Objective**

By the end of this activity, participants should be able to:

- Recognize how the opioid crisis impacts pain management strategies.
- Recognize the CMS initiatives in combating the opioid crisis and addressing pain management.

### **References**

#### **Opioid Medications**

2017-10-12 | <https://www.fda.gov/drugs/drugsafety/informationbydrugclass/ucm337066.htm>

#### **The Federal Response to the Opioid Crisis**

2017-10-10 | <https://www.fda.gov/newsevents/testimony/ucm579512.htm>

#### **Secretary Price and Administrator Verma Remarks on the "Future of Health Care" at Summer 2017 National Governors Association Meeting**

<https://www.hhs.gov/about/leadership/secretary/speeches/2017-speeches/secretary-price-and-administrator-verma-remarks-on-the-future-of-health-care.html>

#### **Vital Signs: Changes in Opioid Prescribing in the United States, 2006-2015**

<https://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/66/wr/mm6626a4.htm>

## Participation

These instructions are for completing the assessment and receiving credit for the IP-11022017 The Opioid Crisis and Chronic Pain Management activity.

If you did not participate in this live activity, please do not take this assessment.

**CMS Continuing Education (CMSCE) and the Medicare Learning Network® (MLN) have the option to change your credit to a certificate of completion if your name does not appear on the attendee list for the live training.**

### To Receive CE Credit:

Complete the assessment and evaluation, per the *Instructions for Continuing Education Credit*, at the beginning of this document.

### Speaker Bios & Disclosures (alphabetical by last name)

No one in a position to control the content of this activity has anything to disclose. All planners and developers of this activity have signed a disclosure statement indicating any relevant financial interests. This activity was developed without commercial support.

**Mary Case, developer**, has been employed by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) since July 1998 and began working in the Division of Provider Information Planning & Development in 1999. In January 2012, she became the division's Deputy Director. Prior to coming to CMS, Ms. Case worked at the Maryland Quality Improvement Organization (QIO) and as a staff and charge nurse at several area hospitals.

Ms. Case has a Master's Degree in Instructional Systems Development with Post-Baccalaureate certificates in Instructional Systems Design and Instructional Technology. She has designed and implemented/conducted process manuals, classroom trainings, multiple web-based and computer-based trainings, one-on-one trainings, multiple videos and print products. Ms. Case has experience working with patients in the medical, surgical and rehabilitation settings with a focus on orthopedics and post trauma recovery. Part of providing patient care and care planning included working with doctors to help manage a patient's acute post surgical pain and chronic pain from trauma.

**Myra J. Christopher, BS, DLH (Honorary), presenter**, is the Founding Director of the Center for Practical Bioethics (CPB) where she has been for 33 years. She has been Director of the PAINS Alliance, a program of CPB, since 2011. Ms. Christopher served on the IOM committee that published "Relieving Pain in America" in 2011, the NIH Interagency Pain Research Coordinating Committee for two terms and in that capacity she served on the Oversight Committee that developed the HHS National Pain Strategy.

Ms. Christopher has been actively engaged in pain policy for more than 15 years. She has done research, published in this area, and spoken frequently on chronic pain. She has consulted and collaborated with NIH, CDC, HHS, FDA, NAAG, the DEA and many other national organizations on these issues.

**Capt. Virginia Giroux, MSN, developer,** is a Commissioned Corps officer in the US Public Health Service and has been employed by the FDA/CDER from April 2003 to present. She has served as a Regulatory Health Project Manager, Regulatory Health Education Specialist, Deputy Division Director and currently as the Associate Director for Accreditation.

Capt. Giroux earned her Master of Science in Nursing and is board certified as a Family Nurse Practitioner. As the Associate Director for Accreditation she manages the FDA CE program and serves as the FDA Nurse Planner for all accredited CE programs provided by FDA.

**Mary G. Greene, MD, MPH, MBA,** leads CPI-wide strategy development, priority setting, policy development and performance management. She oversees key governance and operational functions including the CMS executive-level Program Integrity Board. Dr. Greene leads cross-agency collaborations to curb opioids misuse, reduce improper payments, and identify and address program vulnerabilities. She drives improvements in state Medicaid program integrity through state partnerships, technical assistance, and the Medicaid Integrity Institute training program. Her leadership has forged consensus on program integrity strategies, operational efficiencies, and vulnerability mitigations. Prior to joining CMS, Dr. Greene led strategy and operational support projects to stand up new programs, improve operational efficiencies, build collaborations and foster professional development.

Dr. Greene, a pediatrician and Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, completed her medical education at the Yale School of Medicine, clinical training at the Johns Hopkins Hospital, Masters in Public Health from the Yale School of Public Health, and Masters in Business Administration from Loyola College in Maryland. Dr. Greene gives presentations and conducts teleconferences on program integrity issues.

**Margaret Rincon, PharmD, developer,** has been employed by CMS as a Health Insurance Specialist/Contract Officer's Representative since July 2017. From July 2013 to June 2017, she was employed as a health care administrator for the Federal Bureau of Prisons. She has many previous years of clinical and administrative pharmacy experience within the federal prison system as well as with the Indian Health Services. She is a Commissioned Corps officer with the U.S. Public Health Service.

Dr. Rincon earned a Doctorate of Pharmacy, with distinction, in 1999 and has since been involved in clinical work, pharmacy and healthcare administration and has presented at several national conferences.

**Patricia A. Meier, MD, developer,** has been employed as the Chief Medical Officer, Region VII since December 2015. Dr. Meier earned a Medical Degree in 1988 and has been involved in clinical work, administration, and professional education since that time.