



Notification of Narcotic Policy

- The pain you are experiencing may be improved, but not eliminated, with the use of narcotic pain medication.
- Once pain medications are prescribed, you will be required to have regular office visits to assess your pain status. Your medications will not be phoned in should you be unable to keep these appointments.
- Prescriptions are not filled indefinitely. After a period of time, your physician will taper your medications for discontinuation. If discontinuation is not possible or you are not a surgical candidate, you will be referred for long-term pain management.
- Your treating physician is to be the only physician who prescribes narcotic pain medications to you. If you are under the care of a pain management provider, or are receiving pain medication from another provider, we will not prescribe pain medication to you. In the event your treatment includes a procedure, your surgeon may be willing to write the initial prescription for you, but there will not be any refills provided, so it will be your responsibility to coordinate with your pain management provider.
- It is your responsibility to notify us of any other physician who is prescribing narcotic pain medications to you. It is also your responsibility to inform other physicians that we are prescribing and managing your narcotic pain medications.
- Individuals must be aware that "doctor shopping" is viewed as a narcotic drug seeking behavior and is not tolerated. Should this type of behavior occur, your narcotic pain medications will not be refilled, and you will be dismissed as a patient.
- Excessive calls requesting pain medications or an increase in the dose or frequency of your pain medications is viewed as a drug seeking behavior and is not tolerated.
- Pain medication refill requests are filled Monday thru Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. and Friday 8:30 a.m. to noon. Prescription refills are not taken or called in on Saturday, Sunday, or Holidays. We guarantee prescription refills will be processed within 48 hours of the request IF APPROVED.
- Federal and State Law carefully regulates dispensed or written prescriptions for narcotic medications. Forging or altering a narcotic prescription or distributing medications to others IS A CRIME. Such behavior is not tolerated. You will be dismissed as a patient and be reported to the DEA, Police, and FDA.
- Lost, stolen, or misplaced prescription or medications ARE NEVER REPLACED, NO EXCEPTIONS. Your medications and prescriptions are your responsibility.
- Narcotic pain medications may cause sedation and dizziness. You should not drive an automobile or operate any machinery when taking medications.

INFORMED CONSENT: I have been informed and clearly understand the above listed issues regarding the treatment of pain with narcotic pain medications. I understand that this agreement will be filed in my chart as part of my permanent medical record and my prescription history will be viewed through outside sources such as OBND.

Patient Signature

Date

Patient Name (Print)