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Opioid Overdose Prevention and Treatment

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Who is Most At-Risk for Overdose?

Patient >

Prior opioid overdose

Recreational opioid use

Mental health disorders

Untreated sleep disorders

Lung disease

Kidney or liver problems

Population >

Middle-aged adults

More men than women

Whites and American Indian or Alaska Natives

People in rural areas

Residents of states with higher sales and non-medical use of prescription painkillers

Medication >

Starting or switching to new opioids

Extended-release or long-acting opioid

Resumption of opioid therapy after period of abstinence

Morphine Equivalent Dose (MED) greater than 50 or aggressive dose increases

Multiple prescriptions or prescribers

Route of administration (injectables)

Concurrent Central Nervous System (CNS) depressants prescribed

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