

NEW OPIOID EDUCATION APP

As the opioid epidemic continues to shape Hoosiers' lives and health, Indiana practitioners need fast, easy access to expert continuing medical education (CME) on opioid prescribing and abuse. To provide that access, the Indiana State Medical Association has developed the ISMA Online app through a grant from the Richard M. Fairbanks Foundation.



WHY THIS MATTERS

THE MORTALITY RATE FROM OPIOIDS IN INDIANA HAS DOUBLED

EVERY THREE YEARS

(U.S. Census and the National Center for Health Statistics)

MORE THAN 1,800 PEOPLE

IN INDIANA - FIVE HOOSIERS A DAY -

DIED OF DRUG OVERDOSES IN 2017

(Indiana State Department of Health Division of Trauma and Injury Prevention)

WHY THE APP IS NEEDED

A new Indiana law requires any practitioner applying for or renewing a Controlled Substances Registration to have completed 2.0 hours of approved CME on opioid prescribing and abuse within the previous two years.

Fewer opioids are being prescribed, but illegal drugs continue to kill Hoosiers in ever-greater numbers.

Medical practitioners must stay current on best practices for treating opioid use disorder and preventing overdoses.

Physicians are constantly on the go, with little time for classroom learning.

ISMA Online content has been approved to satisfy the new CME requirement.

BENEFITS OF THE APP



THE ISMA ONLINE APP IS FREE TO DOWNLOAD.



EACH FREE COURSE IS JUST THE RIGHT LENGTH TO TURN A LUNCH BREAK INTO A STUDY BREAK.



THE APP PUTS CRITICAL INFORMATION ABOUT OPIOID PRESCRIBING AND ABUSE AT PROVIDERS' FINGERTIPS.



EXPERT TEACHING IS PORTABLE AND CONVENIENT TO ACCESS WHENEVER AND WHEREVER NEEDED.



USERS CAN PAUSE A COURSE AND RESUME WHERE THEY LEFT OFF.



THE APP GENERATES A CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION AND LISTS COMPLETED COURSES.



AN ENGAGING ISMA PODCAST SERIES COVERS TODAY'S MOST IMPORTANT OPIOID CME TOPICS.