BUILDING A BETTER PAIN MANAGEMENT CURRICULUM: TOWARDS SAFE, EQUITABLE, AND EFFECTIVE OPIOID USE FOR CHILDREN

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BACKGROUND



- The opioid crisis is affecting communities worldwide; while deaths are primarily from illicit fentanyl, prescription opioids may play a role
- Healthcare professionals urgently need the knowledge and tools to make informed decisions to support safe and effective opioid use for pediatric pain management
- The Online Pediatric Pain Curriculum (OPPC) was developed to educate pre-licensure students and entry level healthcare professionals about pain in children
 - Currently, evidence-informed opioid content is lacking in the OPPC

OBJECTIVE

Co-design two educational modules to support the safe, equitable, and effective use of opioids in children for i) acute pain and ii) chronic pain

METHODOLOGY •



- SickKids Pain Centre and Solutions for Kids in Pain (SKIP) are partnering to develop the modules
- Co designed with patient partners and interprofessional healthcare subject matter experts
- Equity lens, ensuring that the information is culturally responsive and inclusive
- Comprehensive content including benefits and harms of using opioids for pediatric pain, key opioid prescribing principles, patient education material
- Case based illustrations and interactivity to enhance engagement
- Modules will undergo final review by other experts to ensure accuracy and alignment with best practices









Patient-centered approach



Patient Partners involved in everything

French translation



Improve access to modules

Equity based lens



Interactive case studies



will enhance, interactivity and learning

Separate webpage



Reduce # of clicks and improve user experience

Pre-survey



Identify more about user to tier experience

DISCUSSION AND NEXT STEPS

- These two new OPPC modules will improve the safe, equitable, and effective use of opioids in children for i) acute pain and ii) chronic pain
- The comprehensive, culturally responsive, and patientcentered approach taken in developing the modules will support healthcare professionals in providing safe, equitable care to all children experiencing pain
- Modules will launch spring of 2024

















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