

116: Opioid Prescriptions at Discharge



Why is this measure important?

- *Patients receiving an opioid prescription after short-stay surgeries have a 44% increased risk of long-term opioid use
- **Drug overdose deaths increased by nearly 30% from 2019 to 2020
- **Opioid-involved death rates increased by 38% from 2019 to 2020
- **Nearly 75% of 91,799 drug overdose deaths involved an opioid in 2020

For whom is this measure collected?

- All patients who underwent a hysterectomy with a gynecologic oncologist at a MOQC participating practice

Where can abstractors find this information?

- Discharge summary
- Prescription written for patient at discharge

What are the common challenges with documenting this measure?

- Abstractors work in many different EMRs so sometimes it is difficult to find the script from discharge.

MOQC Opioid Calculator

<https://moqc.org/resources/opioid-calculator/>



*<https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC6119469/>

**<https://www.cdc.gov/opioids/basics/epidemic.html>

