

Beneficiary opioid education

Prescription opioid pain medications—like oxycodone (OxyContin®), hydrocodone (Vicodin®), morphine, and codeine—can help treat pain after surgery or after an injury, but they carry serious risks, like addiction, overdose, and death. These risks increase the higher the dose you take, or the longer you use these pain medications, even if you take them as prescribed. Your risks also increase if you take certain other medications, like benzodiazepines (commonly used for anxiety and sleep), or get opioids from multiple doctors and pharmacies.

Doctors HealthCare Plans' formulary has formulary non-opioid analgesic alternatives for the treatment of acute and chronic pain which, when used as prescribed, may be as effective for the treatment of pain as some opioid medications without the risks an opioid medication can carry. Some examples of these medications are; celecoxib capsules, diclofenac sodium tablets, etodolac tablets, ibuprofen tablets, naproxen tablets and others.

Doctors HealthCare Plans also offers Over-the-Counter products which include non-opioid analgesics such as acetaminophen 500mg, Muscle Rub, lidocaine patches and cream, Naproxen Muscle and Back Tablets, and Aspercreame with lidocaine.

In addition, Doctors HealthCare Plans offers non-pharmacological therapies such as:

- Chiropractic services
 - Manual manipulation of the spine to correct subluxation
- Acupuncture
 - For chronic back pain
- Fitness Program which includes:
 - Membership and access to local fitness facilities
 - Fitness instructors
 - Home fitness programs
 - Fitness education materials intended to assist members with healthy aging
 - Access to web site containing healthy habits

Please consult with your prescriber before changing any medication therapy and before starting or changing any type of physical activity and/or therapy.

References:

Cms.gov. (2025). Improving Drug Utilization Review Controls in Part D | CMS. [online] Available at: <https://www.cms.gov/medicare/coverage/prescription-drug-coverage-contracting/improving-drug-utilization-review-controls-part-d> [Accessed 11/13/2025].

<https://www.cms.gov/about-cms/agency-information/emergency/downloads/opioid-epidemic-roadmap.pdf> [Accessed 11/13/2025]

ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, tiene a su disposición servicios gratuitos de asistencia lingüística. Llame al 786-460-3427 o 833-342-7463(TTY: 711).



Notice of Non-Discrimination

Doctors HealthCare Plans, Inc. complies with applicable Federal civil rights laws and does not discriminate or exclude people on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, age, disability, political affiliations or beliefs, or sex (including pregnancy, sexual orientation, and gender identity).

Doctors HealthCare Plans:

- Provides free aids and services to people with disabilities to communicate effectively with us, such as:
 - Qualified sign language interpreters
 - Written information in other formats (large print, audio, accessible electronic formats, other formats)
- Provides free language services to people whose primary language is not English, such as:
 - Qualified interpreters
 - Information written in other languages
- If you need these services, contact Member Services/Civil Rights.

If you believe that Doctors HealthCare Plans has failed to provide these services or discriminated in another way, you can file a grievance with:

Doctors HealthCare Plans, Inc.

Attn: Member Services/Civil Rights
2020 Ponce De Leon Blvd., PH1
Coral Gables, FL 33134
Telephone: 833-342-7463 (TTY: 711)
Fax: 786-578-0293
Email: civilrights@doctorshcp.com

You can file a grievance in person or by mail, fax, or email. If you need help filing a grievance, Member Services/Civil Rights, is available to help you.

You can also file a civil rights complaint with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office for Civil Rights, electronically through the Office for Civil Rights Complaint Portal, available at <https://ocrportal.hhs.gov/ocr/portal/lobby.jsf>, or by mail or phone at:

U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

200 Independence Avenue, SW
Room 509F, HHH Building
Washington, D.C. 20201
1-800-368-1019, 800-537-7697 (TDD)

Complaint forms are available at <https://www.hhs.gov/ocr/complaints/index.html>.

NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF LANGUAGE ASSISTANCE, AUXILIARY AIDS AND SERVICES

English: ATTENTION: If you speak English, free language assistance services are available to you. Appropriate auxiliary aids and services to provide information in accessible formats are also available free of charge. Call 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) or speak to your provider.

Spanish: ATENCIÓN: Si habla español, están disponibles servicios de asistencia lingüística gratuita para usted. También están disponibles sin carga adecuada apoyos y servicios para proporcionar información en formatos accesibles. Llame al 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) o hable con su proveedor.

Haitian Creole: ATANSYON: Si w pale Kreyòl Ayisyen, gen sèvis èd aladispozisyon w gratis pou lang ou pale a. Èd ak sèvis siplemantè apwopriye pou bay enfòmasyon nan fòm aksesib yo disponib gratis tou. Rele nan 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) oswa pale avèk founisè w la.

Arabic: تنبيه: إذا كنت تتحدث اللغة العربية، فستتوفر لك خدمات المساعدة اللغوية المجانية. كما تتوفر وسائل مساعدة وخدمات مناسبة لتوفير المعلومات بتنسيقات يمكن الوصول إليها مجانًا. اتصل على الرقم - (TTY: 711) (1-833-342-7463) أو تحدث إلى مقدم الخدمة.

Chinese Traditional: 注意: 如果您說[台語], 我們可以為您提供免費語言協助服務。也可以免費提供適當的輔助工具與服務, 以無障礙格式提供資訊。請致電 833-342-7463(TTY:711) 或與您的提供者討論。」

Chinese Simplified: 注意: 如果您说[中文], 我们将免费为您提供语言协助服务。我们还免费提供适当的辅助工具和服务, 以无障碍格式提供信息。致电 833-342-7463 (文本电话: (TTY:711) 或咨询您的服务提供者。

French: ATTENTION: Si vous parlez Français, des services d'assistance linguistique gratuits sont à votre disposition. Des aides et services auxiliaires appropriés pour fournir des informations dans des formats accessibles sont également disponibles gratuitement. Appelez le 833-342-7463 (TTY: 711) ou parlez à votre fournisseur.

German: ACHTUNG: Wenn Sie Deutsch sprechen, stehen Ihnen kostenlose Sprachhilfe- Dienste zur Verfügung. Angemessene Hilfsmittel und Dienste zur Bereitstellung von Informationen in zugänglichen Formaten sind ebenfalls kostenlos verfügbar. Rufen Sie 833-342-7463 (TTY: 711) an oder sprechen Sie mit Ihrem Anbieter.

Gujarati: ધ્યાન આપો: જો તમે ગુજરાતી બોલતા હો તો મફત ભાષાકીય સહાયતા સેવાઓ તમારા માટે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. યોગ્ય ઓફરફોર્મિટ સહાય અને એક્સેસિબલ ફોર્મેટમાં માહિતી પૂરી પાડવા માટેની સેવાઓ પણ વાનિ મૂલ્યે ઉપલબ્ધ છે. 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) પર કોલ કરો અથવા તમારા પ્રદાતા સાથે વા ત કરો.

Italian: ATTENZIONE: Se parli Italiano, sono disponibili servizi di assistenza linguistica gratuiti per te. Sono disponibili anche ausili e servizi appropriati per fornire informazioni in formati accessibili, anch'essi gratuiti. Chiama il 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) o parla con il tuo fornitore.

Korean: 주의: [한국어]를 사용하시는 경우 무료 언어 지원 서비스를 이용하실 수 있습니다. 이용 가능한 형식으로 정보를 제공하는 적절한 보조 기구 및 서비스도 무료로 제공됩니다. 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) 번으로 전화하거나 서비스 제공업체에 문의하십시오.

Polish: UWAGA: Osoby mówiące po polsku mogą skorzystać z bezpłatnej pomocy językowej. Dodatkowe pomoce i usługi zapewniające informacje w dostępnych formatach są również dostępne bezpłatnie. Zadzwoń pod numer 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) lub porozmawiaj ze swoim dostawcą.

Portuguese: ATENÇÃO: Se você fala Português, serviços de assistência linguística gratuitos estão disponíveis para você. Ajudas e serviços auxiliares apropriados para fornecer informações em formatos acessíveis também estão disponíveis gratuitamente. Ligue para 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) ou converse com seu prestador de serviços.

Russian: ВНИМАНИЕ: Если вы говорите на русский, вам доступны бесплатные услуги языковой поддержки. Соответствующие вспомогательные средства и услуги по предоставлению информации в доступных форматах также предоставляются бесплатно. Позвоните по телефону 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) или обратитесь к своему поставщику услуг.

Taglog: PPAALALA: Kung nagsasalita ka ng Tagalog, magagamit mo ang mga libreng serbisyong tulong sa wika. Magagamit din nang libre ang mga naaangkop na auxiliary na tulong at serbisyo upang magbigay ng impormasyon sa mga naa-access na format. Tumawag sa 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) o makipag-usap sa iyong provider."

Thai: หมายเหตุ: หากคุณใช้ภาษาไทย เรามีบริการความช่วยเหลือด้านภาษาฟรี นอกจากนี้ ยังมีเครื่องมือและบริการช่วยเหลือเพื่อให้ข้อมูลในรูปแบบที่เข้าถึงได้โดยไม่เสียค่าใช้จ่าย โปรดโทรติดต่อ 1-833-342-7463 (TTY: 711) หรือปรึกษาผู้ให้บริการของคุณ"

Vietnamese: LƯU Ý: Nếu bạn nói tiếng Việt, chúng tôi cung cấp miễn phí các dịch vụ hỗ trợ ngôn ngữ. Các hỗ trợ dịch vụ phù hợp để cung cấp thông tin theo các định dạng dễ tiếp cận cũng được cung cấp miễn phí. Vui lòng gọi theo số Người khuyết tật: 833-342-7463 (TTY:711) hoặc trao đổi với người cung cấp dịch vụ của bạn."