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The National Council for Prescription Drug Programs Work Group 1: Clinical and Safety Edits Task Group developed [NCPDP Recommendations for Standardized Communications to Address the Opioid Epidemic](#) to provide Medicaid agencies and fiscal agents resources for addressing the opioid epidemic. The document provides a short summary of issues and available guidance for implementation of opioid policies. Many states have enacted legislation that imposes some type of prescribing limits (including days supply and morphine milligram equivalency), guidance or requirements on prescriptions in order to combat the opioid crisis. Inconsistency in the implementation of these policies has presented challenges throughout the pharmacy supply chain for providing patients access to needed medication in a timely manner. The document is available in the hyperlink above and through the attachment. Please share with anyone that may benefit from this information.

Thank you,

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