

# Are You About to Prescribe Opioid **PAIN** Medications to Your Patient?



## **P**atient Expectations

Set the patient's pain expectations ASAP!  
The goal is *tolerable* pain, NOT zero pain.

## **A**lternatives

Effective alternatives exist!  
Think of a combination of acetaminophen,  
ibuprofen and/or others.

## **I**ndications

Most pain does NOT need opioids  
and some might not even respond to opioids!

## **N**ecessary Number Only

"When I had my hand surgery, I was given  
30 oxycodone pills. I only used one!"