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**AMA Furthers Commitment to Physicians and Patients Fighting to End the Opioid Epidemic**

*Updated website offers the latest education and training resources specific to physicians’ states and specialties*

Ensuring that all physicians have the necessary education and training is a key step in combating the opioid epidemic. That’s why the American Medical Association is proud to unveil an updated website for physicians to access the latest education and training resources specific to their state or specialty: [www.end-opioid-epidemic.org](https://www.end-opioid-epidemic.org/).

The End the Epidemic education toolkit provides recommendations from the AMA Opioid Task Force and the nation’s medical societies in one central location. Physicians and their patients are also encouraged to share their stories, including what they’re doing to help end the epidemic.

“Ending the epidemic requires physicians, health insurers, drug manufacturers, and policymakers to work together,” said Patrice A. Harris, MD, chair of the AMA Opioid Task Force.

More physicians are educated on safe opioid prescribing and treatment than ever before. In 2015 and 2016, 118,550 physicians completed courses on opioid prescribing, pain management, addiction, and other related areas. The American Medical Association and **[ORG]** are committed to working together to increase these numbers.

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