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National Trends in Opioid Risk Mitigation Practices: Implications for Prescriber Education

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Objectives:

To assess national trends in five selected prescription opioid risk mitigation practices and associations with prescriber type, state-specific opioid overdose severity, and required pain management education to better inform future prescriber training needs.

Key Points:

Registrants for a safer opioid prescriber training appear to be knowledgeable of opioid risk mitigation practices but report low levels of employing them for all patients prescribed opioids. Safer opioid prescribing education should transition from knowledge-acquisition towards rationale and strategies for universal implementation of opioid risk mitigation practices