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Attention Dental Professionals: Training Available Regarding Safe Opioid Prescribing for Acute Dental Pain

The Division of Health Care Financing and Policy and the Division of Public and Behavioral Health, on behalf of Dr. John DiMuro, Nevada's Chief Medical Officer, and Dr. Antonina Capurro, Nevada State Dental Health Officer, are sharing a free online training opportunity for dentists on "Safe Opioid Prescribing for Acute Dental Pain." Opioid abuse and addiction continues to be a statewide and nationwide problem. It will take every segment of the community, including Nevada dentists, working together to address this issue.

The training was developed by the Center for Substance Abuse Treatment at SAMHSA (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration) and with Boston University. This one-hour program outlines opioid prescribing principles for general dentists and dental specialists, illustrated by a case study. This training covers the safe and competent use of opioids for managing acute moderate to severe dental pain.

The training is available from the following webpage:

http://www.opioidprescribing.com/dental landing

Dentists may earn Continuing Medical Education (CME) credit by completing this free course. To earn credit: View the video, take the post-test and complete the evaluation.