



Mayo Clinic Opioid Conference:
Evidence, Clinical Considerations and Best Practice
Hilton Downtown Nashville
September 11-13, 2025
Central Time

Thursday, September 11, 2025

6:30 a.m.	Registration and Breakfast
7:30 a.m.	Welcome and Course Overview <i>Dare O. Olatoye, M.D., Benjamin Lai, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., and Julie L. Cunningham, Pharm.D., R.Ph.</i>
7:40 a.m.	Biopsychosocial Spiritual Model of Chronic Pain & OUD <i>Benjamin Lai, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.</i>
8:20 a.m.	Clinical Pearls for Opioid Prescribing (DEA) <i>Julie L. Cunningham, Pharm.D., R.Ph.</i>
9:00 a.m.	Demystifying Methadone: Patient Selection, Initiation, Monitoring, and Discontinuation <i>Dan K. Partain, M.D.</i>
9:40 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:00 a.m.	Medical Marijuana and CBD Products: Pro Con Debate <i>Thomas P. Pittelkow, D.O., M.P.H., Linda Huang, PharmD</i>
10:40 a.m.	Buprenorphine: Use in Pain Management and Opioid Use Disorder (DEA) <i>Mark E. Deyo-Svendsen, M.D.</i>
11:20 a.m.	Combining Opioids, Benzodiazepines and Other CNS Depressants <i>Nathan T. Smith, Pharm.D., R.Ph., BCPS</i>
12:00 p.m.	Adjourn

Friday, September 12, 2025

6:30 a.m.	Breakfast
7:10 a.m.	Welcome <i>Dare O. Olatoye, M.D., Benjamin Lai, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., and Julie L. Cunningham, Pharm.D., R.Ph.</i>
7:15 a.m.	Addiction is not a Moral Failure <i>Stephen Loyd, M.D.</i>
8:10 a.m.	Alcohol and Opioid Use Disorders: What to Do? <i>Robert W. Kirchoff, M.D., M.S.</i>
8:50 a.m.	Interventional Alternatives for Pain Management <i>Cole W. Cheney, M.D.</i>
9:30 a.m.	Harm Reduction: Naloxone/New Illicit Drugs/Fentanyl Strips (DEA) <i>Michael Juntunen, MSOL, CP</i>
10:10 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:25 a.m.	Managing Challenges: Behaviors and Conversations <i>Wesley P. Gilliam, Ph.D., L.P.</i>
11:05 a.m.	Red Flags and Remedies: Drug Diversion Prevention for Prescribers <i>Alissa M. Voils, Pharm.D, M.H.A.</i>
11:45 a.m.	Nonopioid Adjuvants <i>James C. Watson, M.D.</i>
12:25 p.m.	Adjourn



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Lunch and Learn (Optional \$100 Add-on, Lunch Included) (DEA) 1:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.
Discussion with Dr. Loyd: Personal Stories of breaking the cycle with lessons from the opioid crisis. <i>Stephen Loyd, M.D.</i>
Adjourn

Saturday, September 13, 2025	
6:30 a.m.	Breakfast
7:25 a.m.	Welcome <i>Dare O. Olatoye, M.D., Benjamin Lai, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O., and Julie L. Cunningham, Pharm.D., R.Ph.</i>
7:30 a.m.	Urine Drug Testing and Patient Conversations (DEA) <i>Loralie J. Langman, Ph.D., Benjamin Lai, M.B., B.Ch., B.A.O.</i>
8:10 a.m.	Using Opioids in Older Adults (DEA) <i>Daniel E. Sanchez Pellecer, M.D.</i>
8:50 a.m.	Opioid Side Effects and Management (DEA) <i>Molly Feely, M.D.</i>
9:30 a.m.	The Role of the Nurse and Support Staff in Opioid Management <i>Mary Beth Chambers, Kim A. Bremseth, M.S.N, R.N.</i>
10:10 a.m.	Refreshment Break
10:25 a.m.	Acute Pain Management for the Patient on Chronic Opioids (DEA) <i>Dare O. Olatoye, M.D.</i>
11:05 a.m.	Tapering Opioids (DEA) <i>Julie L. Cunningham, Pharm.D., R.Ph.</i>
11:45 a.m.	Doctor, my Belly Hurts, and Everything Hurts! What to do with Central Sensitization (Virtual) <i>Iris Wang, M.D.</i>
12:25 p.m.	Closing Remarks
12:30 p.m.	Adjourn