

Opioid Workgroup

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Goals

- Discussion of current state of opioid use/prescribing models in trauma patients
- Gather existing multimodal guidelines from trauma centers
- Develop a state level guideline to share with all trauma centers
- Consider a Georgia TQIP Opioid Project with retrospective data collection/analysis



- Draft multimodal pain management guideline completed
- Looking for feedback from larger group on current draft
- Key Sections:
 - Multimodal Medication Options
 - Long-acting opioids with continuous pain source
 - Regional Anesthesia
 - Alternative Pain Management
 - Discharge Planning
 - Patient Education



Life Care Specialist

- Created in response to the opioid epidemic
 - Research pilot program through Grady Orthopedic Group
- Provide mental wellness and alternative pain management strategies
- Assessing patients for increased risk of substance misuse
 - Provided referrals for additional mental health resources



Next Steps

- Feedback on the initial draft of guidelines then creating a final draft for approval
- Follow up on data collection opportunities in the EHR at different centers
- Future research opportunities; ongoing educational opportunities
 - Looking to expand on the Life Care Specialist pilot project at Grady potentially statewide