

Chabal 5-Point Prescription Opiate Abuse Checklist

Patients meeting 3 or more of the following criteria are considered prescription opiate abusers:

- (a) overwhelming focus on opiate issues
- (b) pattern of 3 or more early refills or escalating drug use without acute changes in their medical condition
- (c) multiple telephone calls or visits to request additional opiates or early refills
- (d) pattern of prescription problems due to lost, spilled, or stolen medications
- (e) supplemental sources of opiates from other providers or illegal sources.