

Persistent Postoperative Opioid Use

Each year in the United States, over 50 million surgeries and procedures are performed. Persistent postoperative opioid use (PPOU) has become a major concern for individuals, communities, and society.

Definition

No consensus on a definition of PPOU



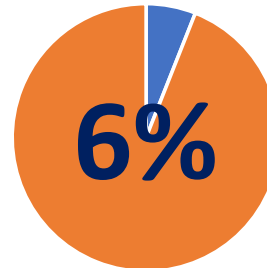
How many opioid scripts?

For how long after surgery?

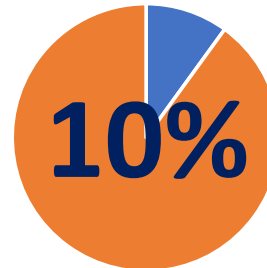


Incidence*

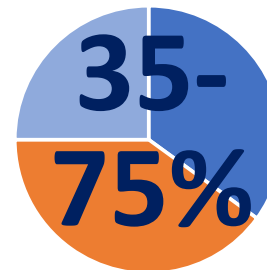
All surgical patients who were opioid naïve preop



Certain types of surgery + opioid naïve patients



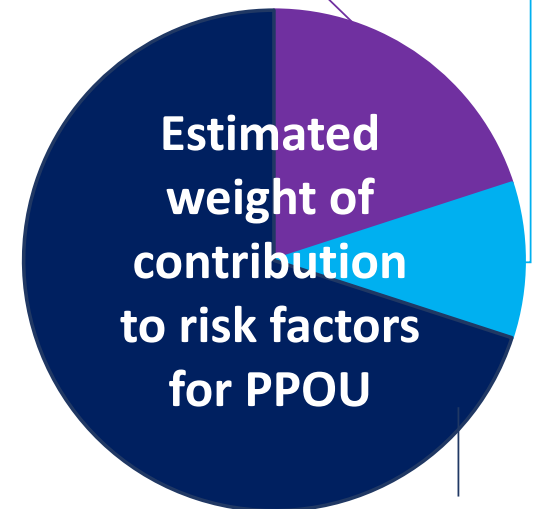
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Risk Factors

Systems Factors: prescribers, policy, healthcare system

Type of Surgery?



Patient history: preop opioid use, anxiety, depression, substance abuse, preoperative painful conditions, etc.

*reported incidence from current literature; but should be noted that exact definitions of PPOU varied between studies.