

# Pathways to Prevention: Efficacy of Opioids for Chronic Pain



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# Problem

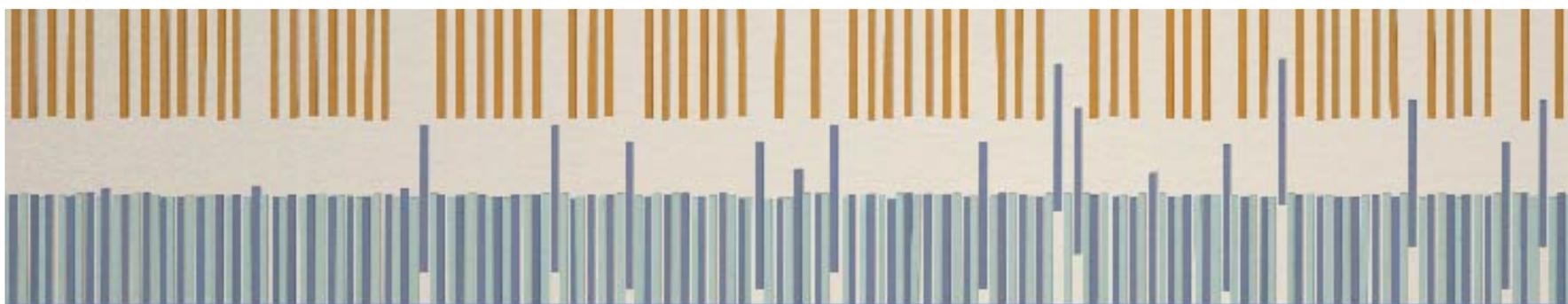
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**100 million individuals suffer from persistent pain in the US and there is “not a consensus” on when opioids are safe and effective.**





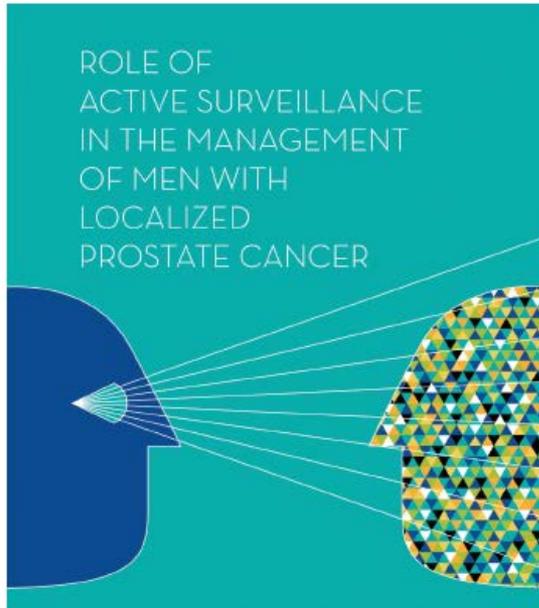
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**Pathways to Prevention:**

Weighing the evidence. Identifying the research gaps. Determining next steps.

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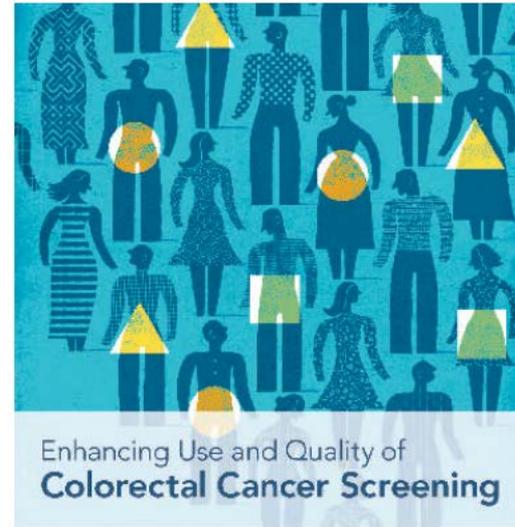
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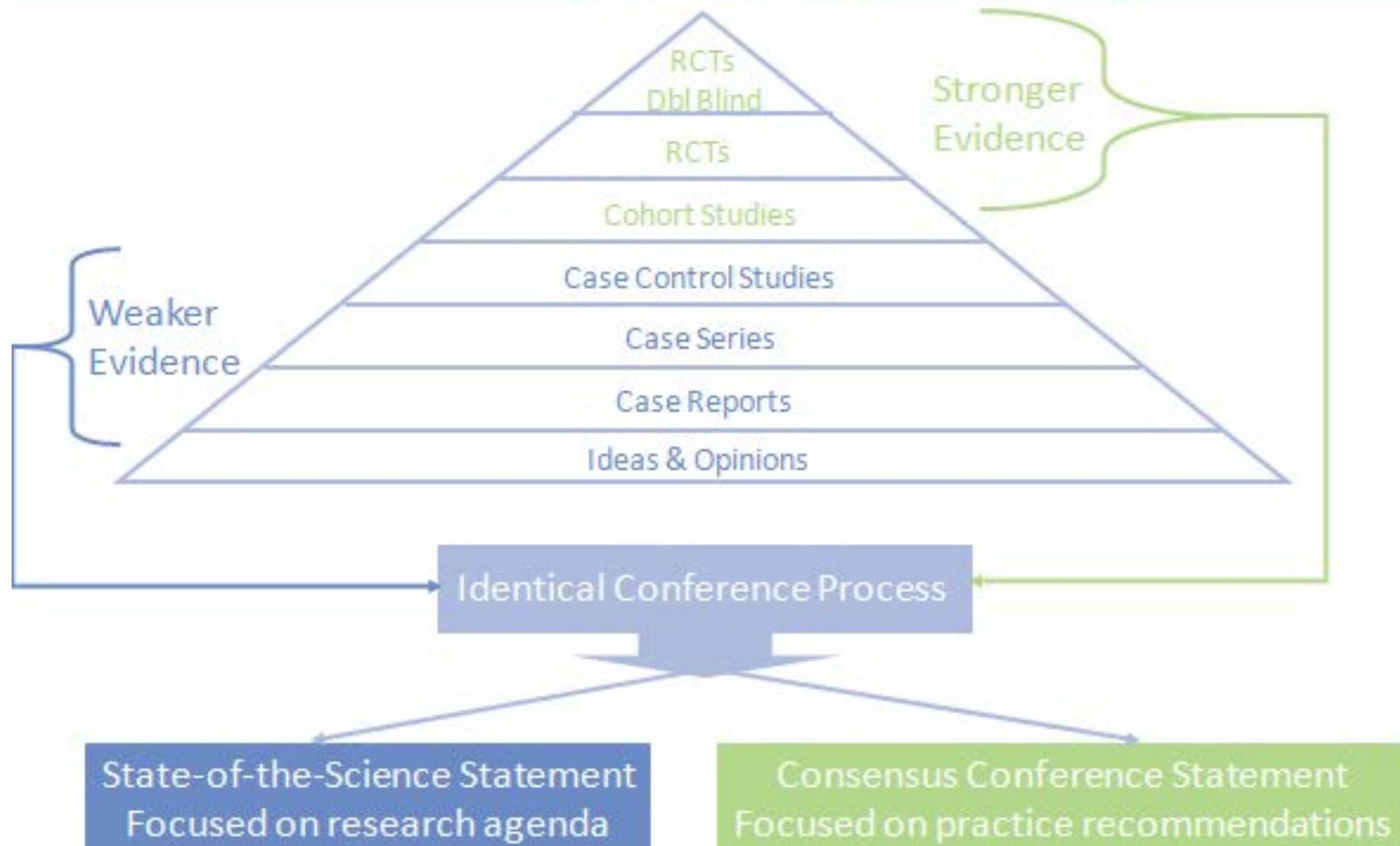
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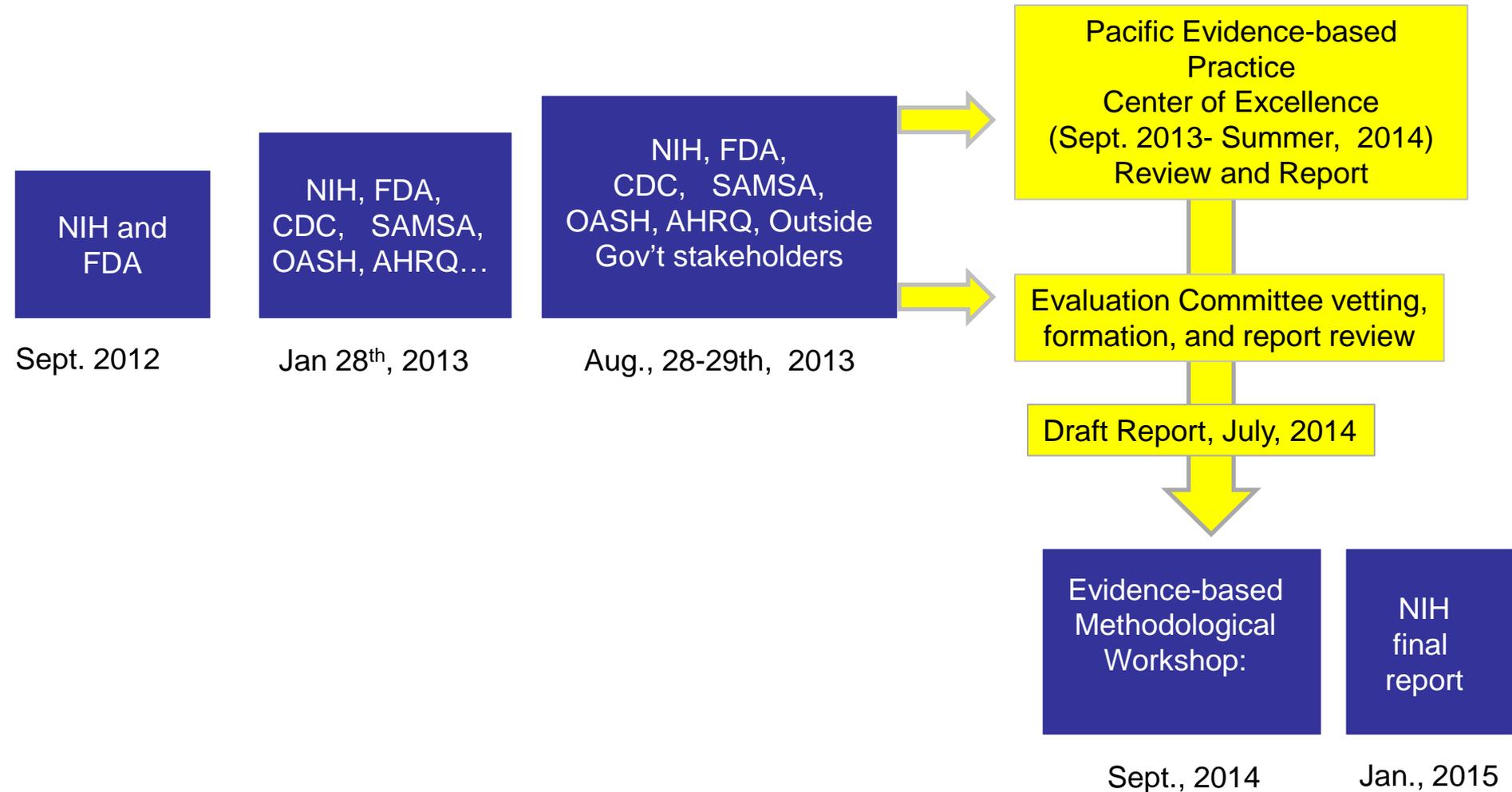
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# NIH Consensus Development Program



# Pathways to Prevention Process for “Efficacy of Opioids for Chronic Pain”



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# ***General Topics:***

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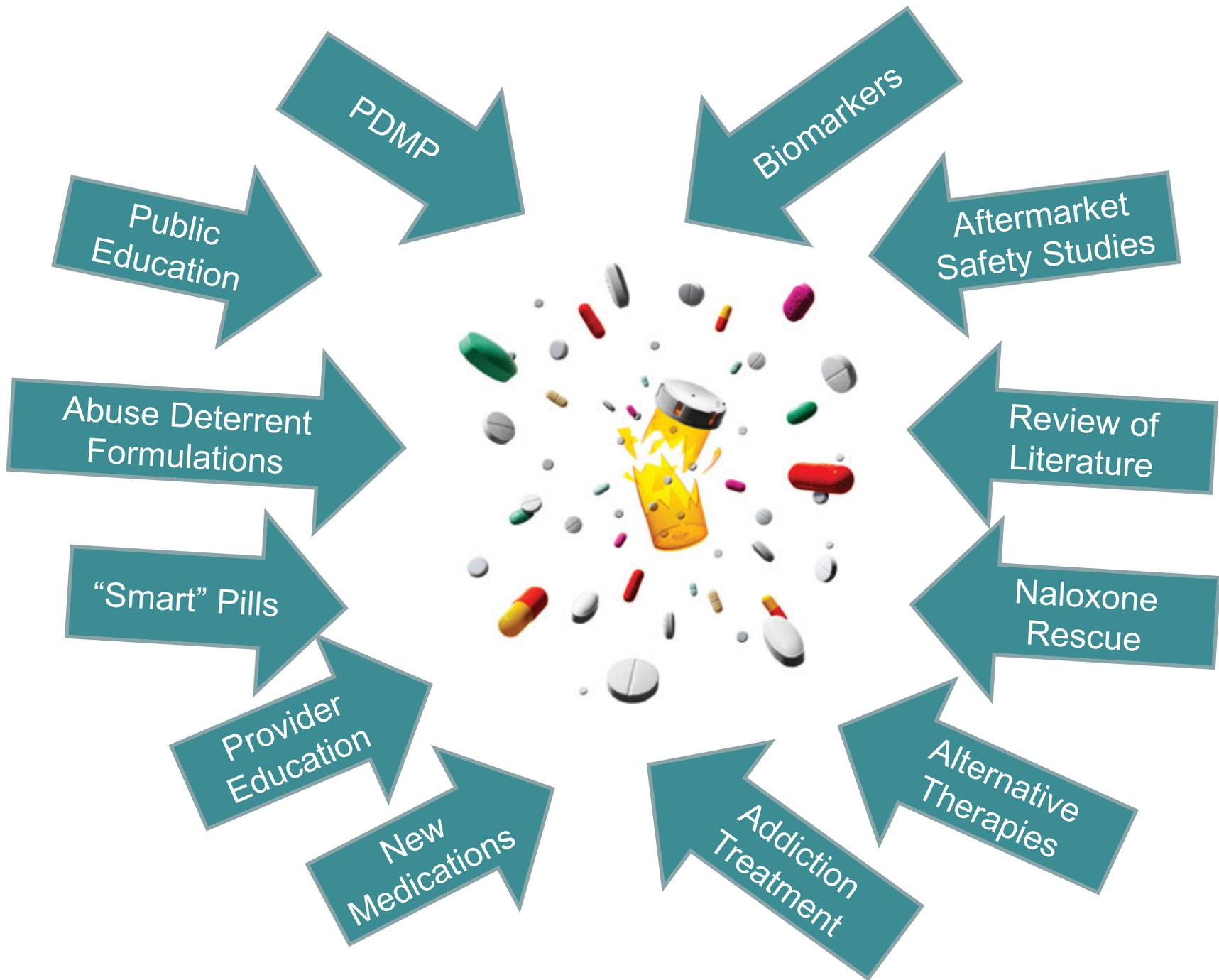
Key Question 1: Patient Population

Key Question 2: Efficacy

Key Question 3: Minimizing Adverse Effects/Curtailing Treatment

Key Question 4: Short and Long-Term Benefits and Harm

Key Question 5: Risks of Addiction



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