Nearly 50 million Americans suffer from chronic pain. As the population ages, that number is likely to increase. Many patients seek help not from pain specialists, but from primary care, emergency medicine, orthopedic and other specialists.

At the same time, opioid abuse is at epidemic levels, leading regulators and law enforcement to place increased scrutiny on the prescribing of pain medications. Against this backdrop, it is critical that all prescribers have a solid foundation in the basics of chronic pain management.

CPEP’s new course, Basics of Chronic Pain Management, is a one-day seminar that will help you treat this growing population of patients with safety and confidence. Offered in Denver, Colorado, this course is designed for clinicians who manage or encounter patients with chronic pain. It is not intended for pain management specialists.

**Topics of Discussion:**
- The epidemiology and pathophysiology of chronic pain
- Common conditions and best approaches to management
- Pharmacologic treatment, including analgesics (opioids and non-opioids) and adjunctive medications
- Non-pharmacologic treatment, including complementary and alternative therapies
- Interventional pain management: indications and options
- When to refer to a pain management specialist

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Tuition for this course is $550. Participants who are enrolled in CPEP’s Prescribing Controlled Drugs course are eligible to receive a discounted rate of $350. Approval for CME credit for this activity is pending.