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How Do You Compare?

An Opioid Stewardship Self-Assessment



Six core capabilities of a modern opioid stewardship program. See where manual review leaves gaps, and how Inovalon's VigiLanz Pharmacy Surveillance™ closes them.

Manual	With VigiLanz Pharmacy Surveillance
1. Near real-time opioid use monitoring	
☐ Pharmacists manually review orders as they come in or discover during rounds.	→ Opioid use is monitored in near real time based on continual calculation of morphine milligram equivalents (MME), number of opioids administered, or pain scores.
2. Duplicate indication review	
☐ A daily morning report, or reviewed as orders come in.	→ Every new order is automatically checked for duplicate indications, overall or by route.
3. Pain score and indication-based administration review	
☐ Spreadsheets that take too much time to find useful.	→ A near real-time rule reviews each PRN opioid administration against the indication and last pain score, with an interactive dashboard for drill-down by administered, location, and drug on a custom layout.
4. Naloxone usage review	
☐ A weekly report flags patients who received naloxone, and the team reviews the chart to confirm whether opioids were administered prior, and the dose.	→ Alerts notify the medication safety pharmacist when naloxone is administered and opioids were given prior. An interactive report shows usage per 1,000 patient days with and without opioids, with drill-down to locations, patient details, and MME in the prior 24 hours.
5. Discharge opioid prescription monitoring	
☐ Pharmacists try to review discharge prescriptions during rounds before the patient leaves.	→ A rule notifies the team when an order is added to the med list for review. Reports detail the ordering provider when the order exceeds 3 or 5 days, broken out into an interactive dashboard.
6. Uncontrolled pain identification	
☐ A nurse notifies the team, or finds in a review of the patient chart.	→ A rule alerts on the number of pain scores above 8 in a 24-hour period, or on the number of opioid administrations.

If you're still relying on manual chart review, your opioid stewardship program may be missing time-sensitive opportunities. Schedule a demo to see how VigiLanz Pharmacy Surveillance can strengthen your stewardship program.

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