

Patterns of opioid administration among opioid-naive inpatients and associations with postdischarge opioid use: a cohort study.

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Many people who illicitly use [opioids](#) first received those medications in [health care settings](#). This retrospective cohort study found that people who were prescribed opioids in the hospital are more likely to be dependent on them after discharge, especially if they took opioids within 12 hours of leaving the hospital. A [PSNet perspective](#) discussed how to address the opioid crisis through a patient safety lens.