

Toward safer opioid prescribing in HIV care (TOWER): a mixed-methods, cluster-randomized trial.

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In 2016, the [Centers for Disease Control](#) (CDC) issued an opioid prescribing guideline intended to reverse the increasing death rate from opioid overdoses. This study describes the development, implementation, and effect of a safe prescribing strategy (TOWER) in an HIV-focused primary care setting. Providers using TOWER were more adherent to the CDC guidelines, with no [worsening](#) patient-reported outcome measures.