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Items of Interest

American Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence

Guidelines for Using Naltrexone (Vivitrol) in OTPs

Govtrack.US

Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act of 2011 - Reintroduced

L.A. Now

CA Attorney General Harris Wants Funding for PDMP

Medline Plus

Is Too Much E-Communication Swamping Doctors?

MissouriNet

Fight Anticipated on Prescription Drug Monitoring Bill

New York Times

Overdose Deaths Continue to Climb

Justices Explore Fine Line on Generic Drug Injuries

Triangle Business Journal

UNC: N.C.’s Prescription Drug Abuse Reporting System Working

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

State Medicaid Fraud Control Units FY 2012 Grant Expenditures and Statistics

Wall Street Journal

Painkiller Abuse Hits New States

The Gender Gap in Pain
Prescription Drug Studies and Research

**JAMA Internal Medicine**

Opioid Dose and Risk of Road Trauma in Canada – A Population-Based Study

**Medline Plus**

Be Cautious of Mind-Altering Drugs for Kids: Doctors

Meth in Pregnancy May Blunt Child’s Reaction to Stress

Antipsychotic Drug Use Rising for Kids on Medicaid

Upcoming Training Opportunities and Conferences

**May**

NABP 109th Annual Meeting

American Pain Society 32nd Annual Scientific Meeting

NCPDP’s Annual Technology and Business Conference

National Association of Addiction Treatment Providers Annual Conference

**June**

International Conference on Opioids

ASAP Midyear Conference

**July**

Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America Mid-Year Training Institute

Symposium on Alcohol and Drug Impaired Driving Enforcement

**August**

26th Annual National Prevention Network Prevention Research Conference

Generation Rx University Conference for Prescription Drug Abuse Prevention and Recovery

DEA Office of Diversion Control - Pharmacy Diversion Awareness Conference

20th Annual Napa Pain Conference

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