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The 2016 guidelines affected me very badly as I was forced off my CII meds after they came out. The pain clinic I went to in TN. cut me off three meds all at the same time. As a result I had a stroke and a year of heavy withdrawals. I have not been the same since. It then took me three years to find a doc that would prescribe me any pain meds. They are all afraid of the guidelines, which they treat as the law. It is very difficult for pain patients out here, to get meds and to be treated with respect. Things have to change! There is ONE doctor n my city who is compassionate enough to prescribe pain meds, ONE!