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My old doctor was trying to stay as close to the guidlines as possible while still treating my pain on an individual level. I was above the 90mme but I was tested and followed all protocol for many years. My doctor left and the new office has stated the 90mme is the rule, period. Doesn't matter that I have clear disabilities, my treatment has worked for years, I have proven to not have issues with addiction, it doesn't matter. I'm being weaned to 90mme despite my blood pressure going up, my ability to walk getting worse, increase weight gain, and depression from severe intractable pain. My new doctor has offered nothing in place of the medication reduction, no injections, or other alternatives as I am not a candidate, I was simply told to 'tough it out' for the rest of my life. I'm 52 years old, I have been in pain management since I was 28, and my disease will continue to get worse. I have had over 30 surgeries and have 2 more planned, however I'm told they will not do it until I am under 90mme. So I am forced to suffer because the CDC guidelines are being used as a rule against me. I no longer trust the CDC, the DEA, or doctors who treat patients like criminals for simply being sick. The CDC did this to thousands of people across the county and despite my talking to state reps, writing letters, looking for alternatives, the CDC has made getting help impossible.