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While I work in harm reduction as a behavioral health specialist so I recognize the opiate epidemic in our streets. However, I have severe chronic pain. The bal has swung way too far in the other direction, denying medications for people in severe pain. And for some people with severe pain, not medicating them appropriately leads to them seeking street drugs like fentanyl, simply because they want to not be in excruciating pain. But getting medication off the street is extremely risky and there is no way to know what a pill actually is made up of when it is acquired, resulting in OD deaths and addiction when if their pain had just been validated and treated, they wouldn't end up having to treat themselves with substances.