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I have been taking opioids for severe chronic pain for over 20 years due to many disorders, including CRPS. Recently, my physiatrist of 20+ years left and I was assigned to a new dr. The new dr. came charging into the room and started to harrass me saying that I had to reduce my dosage and mumbled something about the 90 mme for opioids (CDC guideline). I am very aware of the guidelines and of the dangers of opioids as my 34 year old son died in 2008 due to methadone (for pain), benzos and muscle relaxants. His dr. was not held responsible for prescribing these drugs concurrently with methadone. I think it misusing the "guidelines", acting as if they are laws that must be followed to the letter. I am in California and there are no laws concerning opioids. The CDC has caused so much stress and anxiety to chronic pain sufferers in their attempt to address the opioid crisis. It infuriates me that chronic pain patients suffer because the CDC, in their ignorance, doesn't realize that if a pain med helps a person by even controlling any measure of their suffering, than it should not be taken away by some over zealous dr.