

GPIP High Dose Opioid Dashboard

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Background

SPPG Pharmacy Advisers have collaborated with DHCNI (Digital Health and Care NI) to develop a new **High Dose Opioid Dashboard** to support safer prescribing. This is now available to GP practices via GPIP. Information on **how to access the dashboard** is available on page 2.

Opioids are generally not recommended for long term management of chronic non-cancer pain due to limited effectiveness, and significant risks which increase at higher doses. Despite this, many patients continue to be prescribed higher than recommended doses, and there is wide variation across practices.



The dashboard provides a **systematic, structured approach to help** to identify patients prescribed high total oral morphine equivalent (OME) for chronic non-cancer pain, enabling priority review of those at highest risk. This is a more effective approach than relying on opportunistic reviews or complex searches. The data can be filtered easily for **>50mg, and >90mg** OME (new **FPM** thresholds), and for palliative care-coded patients. Injectables, methadone, and non-transdermal buprenorphine and fentanyl are excluded.

Reminder: Regular monitoring of opioids (controlled drugs) is a **legal requirement**.

Further Information and Demonstration – GPNI Webinar

The ‘Opioids in Chronic Pain’ GPNI recorded [webinar](#) (23rd April) includes a demonstration of the GPIP High-Dose Opioid Dashboard and additional background information, including a comprehensive update and practice advice on current recommendations for opioids in chronic pain from Dr Chogle, Consultant Anaesthetist, SEHSCT.

Supporting Resources

There is a wealth of resources available to support people living with chronic pain, carers, and healthcare professionals (HCP), to support opioid review. Examples include:

- Primary Care Intranet – [Pain Section](#), e.g. Opioid Resource Pack
- SPPG Chronic Pain Management Bulletin – [Apr 25](#) This covers:
 - ⇒ Key points for management including medication
 - ⇒ Patient and HCP resources
 - ⇒ Community Pain Support Programmes and how to access
- [FPM Opioids Aware](#)
- [NICPLD/Medicines NI](#) e.g. Chronic Pain Recorded Webinars (available until June 26). The webinars are led by a GP, GPP Lead, physiotherapist and community pain support programme co-ordinator. In addition to general guidance on chronic pain management, there is a focus on medication review, and self-management strategies. Note: New **FPM** opioid thresholds are not included as these changed after the webinars were recorded.

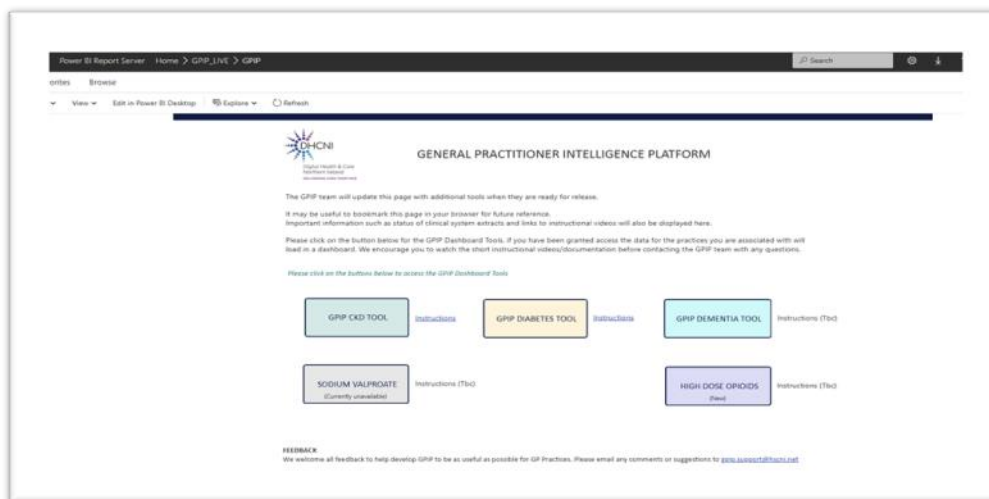


How to access the dashboard

Step 1: Check Existing Access

Please check whether you already have access to the dashboard by clicking the following link: https://gpipreports.hscni.net/Reports/powerbi/GPIP_LIVE/GPIP

If you can access the dashboard you will see the landing page as displayed below.



Click the 'HIGH DOSE OPIOIDS' button for access to the Opioid Dashboard.

If you are unable to view this page, please go to Step 2.

Step 2: Request Access

Access to the dashboard requires approval from your Practice GP Partners/Leads via your Practice Manager. Your Practice Manager must email GPIP.Support@hscni.net confirming approval and clearly listing the user(s) who require access.

Additionally, please complete the following steps:

1. Provide your personal HSCNI.net user name (Windows login) e.g. HSCNIjsmith001
2. Click the following link and take a screenshot of the page displayed https://gpipreports.hscni.net/Reports/powerbi/GET_DETAILS/get%20details
3. Email your HSCNI username and screenshot to GPIP.Support@hscni.net

When approval has been received from your Practice Manager, access will then be granted. Please contact GPIP.Support@hscni.net if you have any queries or feedback regarding the dashboard, including access problems.



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