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Why aren't our patients eating healthy? And what can we do about it?

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## NEW RESEARCH



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ARCHNet recently began a new study to characterize the beliefs patients have about opioid analesic use (OAU), their experiences with cessation, their perceived barriers to cessation and their needs to successfully stop OAU by conducting open-ended interviews and using qualitative methods to analyze them

While the overall rate of very long term

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Because physiological dependence is a

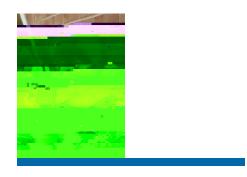
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it is not surprising that long term users are also high dose users and iatrogenic physiological dependence plays a large part

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To understand the beliefs and perceived barriers to cessation held by very long term opioid users with non-cancer pain, we are recruiting patients to structured interviews.

## Primary Care Research Symposium





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## A Growing Community

We are excited to welcome new members, some of whom are already involved with SLU through the Family and Community Medicine preceptor program!

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