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Dear Colleagues:

Today, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services' Office of the Assistant Secretary of Health has released a National Pain Strategy.

The Strategy outlines the Federal government's first coordinated plan for reducing the burden of chronic pain that affects millions of Americans and is a roadmap toward achieving a system of care in which all people receive appropriate, high-quality and evidence-based care for pain.

The Strategy outlines steps to improve provider education on pain management practices and overcome barriers to improve the quality of pain care for vulnerable, stigmatized and underserved Americans.

Click [http://iprcc.nih.gov/National\\_Pain\\_Strategy/NPS\\_Main.htm](http://iprcc.nih.gov/National_Pain_Strategy/NPS_Main.htm)



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The draft National Pain Strategy was released on April 2nd, 2015 for a 45 day public comment period that closed on May 20th, 2015. This document includes objectives ...

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for more for details and to view the Strategy.

Read the news through <http://www.hhs.gov/ash/news/2016/20160318-national-pain-strategy-outlines-actions-for-improving-pain-care.html> and promote through [@NIHpainresearch](https://twitter.com/NIHpainresearch)

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