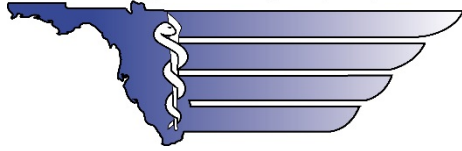


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Classification for Emergency Physician Licensure Renewal
HB 7095 – 2011

Dear FCEP Members:

During the 2011 legislative session, HB 7095 the “Pain Bill” passed and was enacted. For purpose of physician licensure renewal, you are asked to indicate whether you treat chronic non-malignant pain.

The FCEP Board of Directors believes the vast majority of emergency physician’s do not treat or manage patients for chronic pain. Rather, most of us treat acute episodes of pain regardless of etiology of that pain. While we do not want to issue a blanket recommendation to every FCEP member, we believe most emergency physicians’ practice is similar to this type of practice. If you manage chronic pain for patients in your practice, you should answer “yes”. If you do, then you should refer to the new practice standards included in the bill.

We hope this provides you with some clarification as to how to respond on your licensure renewal.

Sincerely,

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