Learning Objectives:
1. Describe the opioid prescribing guidelines for chronic pain.
2. Outline steps to initiate, modify, and discontinue use of controlled substances.
3. State signs of the abuse and misuse of controlled substances.
4. Summarize the recommendations for chronic pain management.
5. Identify counseling points for patients and caregivers on the safe use, proper storage, and disposal of controlled substances.
6. Explain the Georgia PDMP and the legal implications of use.