Provider Talking Points for use with Patients & Families

Resources below can assist providers in communicating about safe opioid use and obtaining Naloxone.

Naloxone Communication Guide
Created for Pharmacists, this guide provides language and talking points helpful to all Health care professionals. Includes tips on initiating the conversation, responding to questions, and terms to use and to avoid.

American Medical Association – Talking with Patient and Families
Guide to responding to resistance and reducing stigma when talking to patients about Naloxone.

Tapering Talks – Patients Share Stories of Tapering Opioids
Video from UC Davis Design in the Public Interest.

HHS Opioid Effects – Patient Handout
Brief patient friendly guide on opioid medication, their effect on the body and safe use.

Ohio State Medical Board - Sample Pain Management Contract
Pain management contracts prevent misunderstandings and inform patients of the risks and responsibilities of using opioid medications.

Ohio Good Samaritan Law Fact Sheet
Information on Ohio’s law that provides immunity to people who call for medical assistance for someone overdosing on heroine, opioids or other drugs as well as the person who overdosed.

View these resources at:
https://neohospitals.org/Northeast-Ohio-Hospital-Opioid-Consortium/Naloxone-Toolkit