

# Frontiers in Pain Management

*19th Annual Meeting of the Alliance of State Pain Initiatives*



## Concurrent Workshop A1

Friday, October 31, 2008

9:30 am - 10:45 am

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### Evidence-Based Practice in Pain Care

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This session will focus on the use of evidence in caring for persons with pain, including strengths and limitations of commonly-used sources of evidence-based recommendations. Additionally, we will discuss challenges encountered in trying to use evidence in making healthcare decisions and policies, and recently suggested approaches to deal with this question.

At the conclusion of the session, participants should be able to:

- address possible alternative approaches to traditional incorporation of biomedical evidence into healthcare decision making
- understand strengths and limitations of sources of biomedical evidence