

Frontiers in Pain Management

19th Annual Meeting of the Alliance of State Pain Initiatives



Concurrent Workshop A3

Friday, October 31, 2008

9:30 am - 10:45 am

Learning from State Pain Initiative Successes and Challenges: TxPAIN

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This informative session will provide an historical perspective on one state's approach to improving pain management. Panelists will share practical tips and tools for creating and maintaining an effective initiative through collaborative relationships. Discussions will include ways to develop and implement a comprehensive action plan and maintaining momentum.

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

- describe challenges in developing and maintaining State Pain Initiatives
- discuss methods for establishing and implementing a comprehensive strategic plan for improving pain management in a state
- identify foundational elements of a successful State Pain Initiative