



Dear Healthcare Provider,

PCL Alverno would like to give you information regarding the New Indiana Pain Management Law known as the Bitter Pill Mandate. It goes into effect in January 2015 and mandates that healthcare providers drug test all patients on prescription opioid pain medication. For additional information, Greg Zoeller, Indiana Attorney General, has created an online brochure that can be downloaded or printed at http://www.in.gov/bitterpill/files/First_Do_No_Harm_V_1_0.pdf.

PCL Alverno has just introduced new saliva and urine testing panels. They are all direct confirmation tests that comply with the Bitter Pill Mandate. Below is an outline of the three types of testing PCL Alverno offers you:

	Advantages	Disadvantages
Pain Management Saliva	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Provides a Quantitative Value. Cannot be adulterated. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Patients with excessive dry mouth may not provide enough sample. Patients with metabolic disorders may produce false negative results. Does not detect benzodiazepines well.
Pain Management Urine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains a large panel of combined opioids, benzodiazepines, and other illicit substances in one test. Provides a Qualitative Value. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be easily adulterated. Not a good option for suspected drug seeking behavior.
Pain Management Urine with Interpretation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contains a large panel of combined opioids, benzodiazepines, and other illicit substances in one test. Provides a Qualitative Value with additional information. This is a good option for new patients so that you may familiarize yourself with the report. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Can be easily adulterated. Not a good option for suspected drug seeking behavior.

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