Pain management experts
Oregon Health & Science University

Catriona Buist, Psy.D., assistant professor of anesthesiology and perioperative medicine in the OHSU School of Medicine

Buist is past chair of the Oregon Pain Management Commission and a member of the Oregon Health Authority workgroup to establish guidelines for prescribing opioids for management of acute pain. She is currently serving on the state’s Chronic Pain Taskforce to establish treatment guidelines for chronic pain.

Esther Choo, M.D., M.P.H., associate professor of emergency medicine in the OHSU School of Medicine

Choo leads research studies that assess the effects of cannabis, alcohol and other substances on patients involved in motor vehicle accidents and that evaluate the impact of Oregon opioid prescribing and other health policies.

Roger Chou, M.D., director of the OHSU Pacific Northwest Evidence-Based Practice Center and a professor of general internal medicine and geriatrics, and medical informatics and clinical epidemiology in the OHSU School of Medicine

Chou co-authored a set of opioid-prescribing guidelines issued by the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in 2016. He also contributed to guidelines issued in February 2017 by the American College of Physicians recommending physicians use non-drug therapies to treat low back pain.

Nicholas Gideonse, M.D., assistant professor of family medicine in the OHSU School of Medicine

Gideonse’s practice interest includes buprenorphine treatment of opiate dependence, maternity care, end-of-life care and Oregon’s Death with Dignity law, and developing community standards for pain treatment.
Catherine Livingston, M.D., M.P.H., associate professor of family medicine in the OHSU School of Medicine

Livingston is a primary care physician who primarily serves a low-income population at the OHSU Family Medicine Clinic at Richmond in southeast Portland. She also staffs the Oregon Health Evidence Review Commission, which translates evidence into coverage policy for Medicaid.

Kimberly M. Mauer, M.D., associate professor of anesthesiology and perioperative medicine in the OHSU School of Medicine

Mauer is the medical director of the OHSU Comprehensive Pain Center and is certified in both pain medicine and anesthesiology.

Jonathan Robbins, M.D., OHSU School of Medicine assistant professor of medicine (general internal medicine and geriatrics)

Robbins is a primary care physician who cares for patients with opioid use disorder, including those struggling with homelessness. He also instructs primary care physicians throughout Oregon on how to improve their ability to diagnose, treat and manage patients with persistent pain and opioid use disorder.

David Sibell, M.D., professor of anesthesiology and perioperative medicine in the OHSU School of Medicine

Sibell, who joined the OHSU Comprehensive Pain Center in 1997, specializes in treatment of painful disorders of the back and neck. Through the Spine Intervention Society, he is also engaged in providing continuing medical education for physicians treating painful spinal conditions.