

Higher Exam Scores on ABIM MOC Exams means

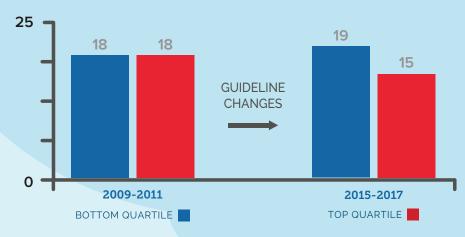
BETTER PHYSICIAN KNOWLEDGE OF PROPER MEDICATIONS

20%

FEWER DANGEROUS

HIGH DOSAGE LONG DURATION

OPIOID **PRESCRIPTIONS**

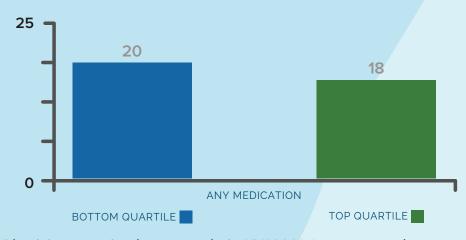


Physicians who scored higher on the MOC exam were less likely to prescribe high dosage long duration opioids when guidelines changed due to concerns about addiction.1



ER DANGEROUS

PRESCRIPTIONS to **OLDER AGED PATIENTS**



Physicians scoring better on their ABIM MOC exam were less likely to prescribe potentially inappropriate medications to their older age patients than only appropriate alternative medications.²

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