

1. 55-year old male with moderate pain from spinal stenosis and complaints of general aches and pains. Recently suffered from three hemorrhagic strokes leaving the patient with difficulty of swallowing. He lives at home with his wife who runs a full time business. His pain was well controlled on Percocet (5/325) every four hours as needed. He has recently been using 6 tablets per day. Given his difficulty swallowing, a feeding tube was placed. How should his pain be managed?
2. 62-year old male with chronic low back pain with several surgeries. His surgical team does not feel any future surgeries would benefit him. He has completed physical therapy and exercises regularly. His pain is currently managed with Percocet (10/325) 1-2 tablets every 6 hours as needed and gabapentin 800 mg three times daily. He has tried cutting down his use of Percocet with only worsening pain. He has tried doses above 800 mg three times daily of gabapentin but suffered from neurological adverse events. How should his pain be managed?