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I'm a chronic pain patient and these rules hurt me. It's next to impossible to get adequate treatment for my everyday pain. It's even worse trying to get effective relief for surgical pain and chronic pain. This has at times caused me to seriously contemplate taking my life. When the pain is never ending what are we supposed to do? I've done all the other things that I can. They weren't effective. Opioid medication never makes me "high." I only take it as advised and yet I'm punished for something out of my control.

I have lost so many friends because they gave up. They couldn't get relief from the very painful neurological disorder we suffer from, and we do SUFFER. Bed-bound, nausea, blinding pain, and we can't cry because that makes things so much worse.

Please, you're killing us. You're murdering us and that's not hyperbole. Ease the restrictions so doctors can be doctors. Let our providers choose what best. It's what they're there for. Their choices shouldn't be made out of fear, while knowing they aren't treating patients to the best of their ability. Physicians aren't supposed to do harm. Not treating pain IS absolutely doing harm.