

# Opioid Prescribing Recommendations After Lung Resection



Prescribe **around-the-clock acetaminophen**:

**Inpatient:** 1000mg oral acetaminophen **every 8 hours**

**Post-discharge:** 1000mg every 8 hours for 72, then as needed

**In-hospital opioid use** should guide post-discharge prescribing of **5mg oxycodone** to be taken **every 6 hours as needed**:

	Prescribe (# Pills):
Patients requiring zero opioids the day prior to discharge	<b>0 – 5</b>
Patients undergoing <b>minimally invasive lung resection</b> requiring opioids the day prior to discharge	<b>15</b>
Patients undergoing <b>open lung resection</b> requiring opioids the day prior to discharge	<b>20</b>



Recommend **clinic visit** for assessment prior to **opioid refills**

Distribute **opioid education brochures** at discharge, including instructions for **safe storage and disposal**

