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Potential Pitfalls in the Use of an Internet Search to Obtain Information Regarding Oxycodone/Morphine Dose Conversion

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Objective

- Describe potential pitfalls of utilizing the internet to provide medication information to prescribing clinicians regarding the conversion of one opioid ingredient to another.

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Problem

- Phone Call
- Patient post-op
- Treatment handed off to PCP
- Currently receiving oxycodone
- MD wants to switch to morphine

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What to do?

- Current drug administration guidelines (DAG)
- Internet search by MD
- Look at results

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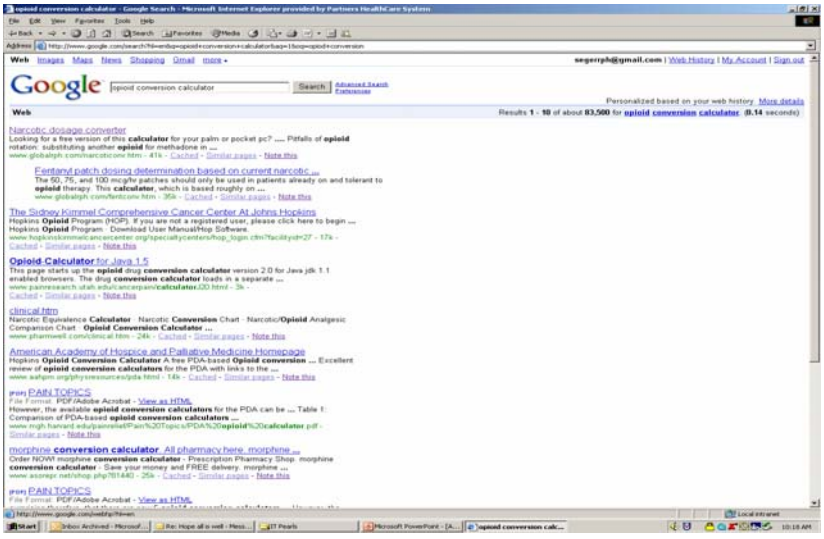
Internet search



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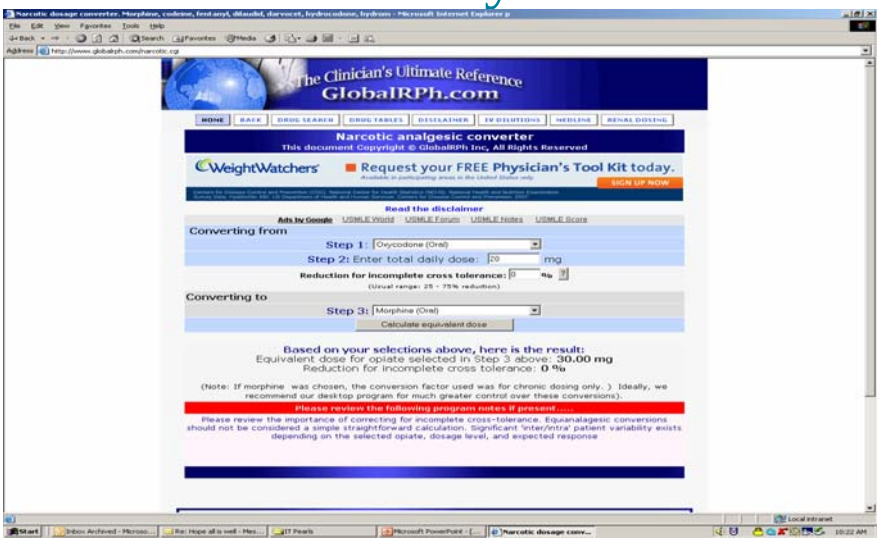

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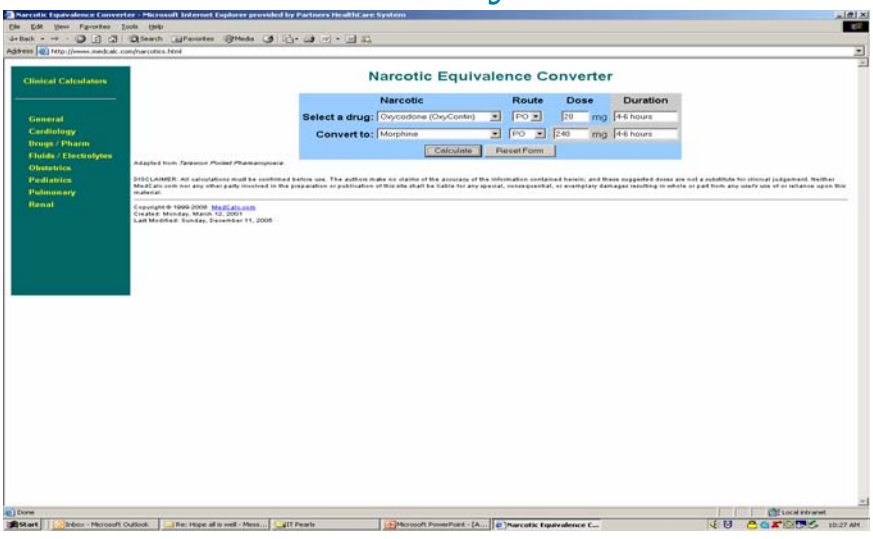

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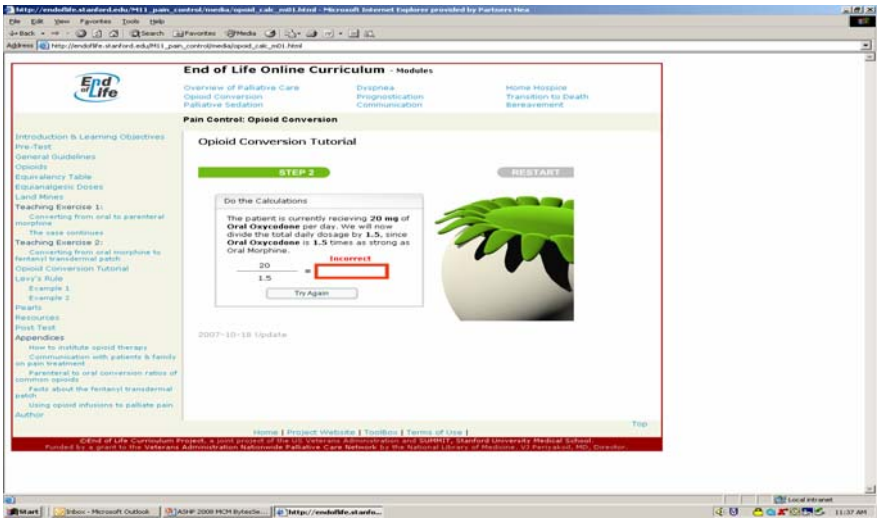

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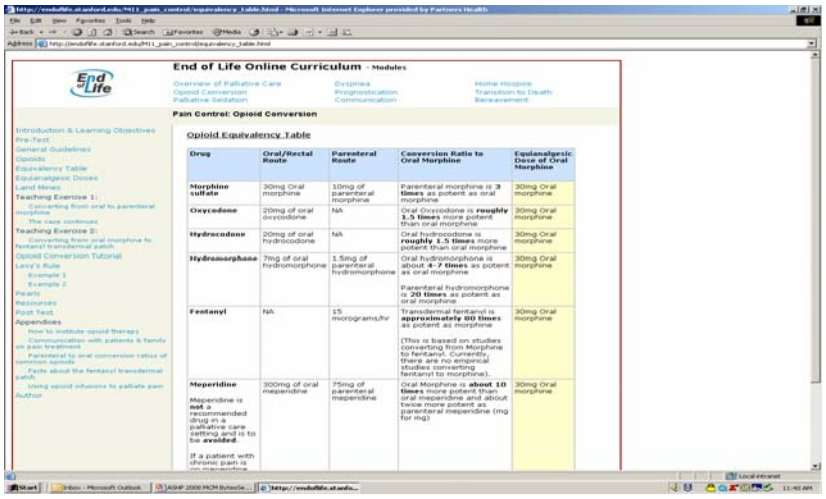

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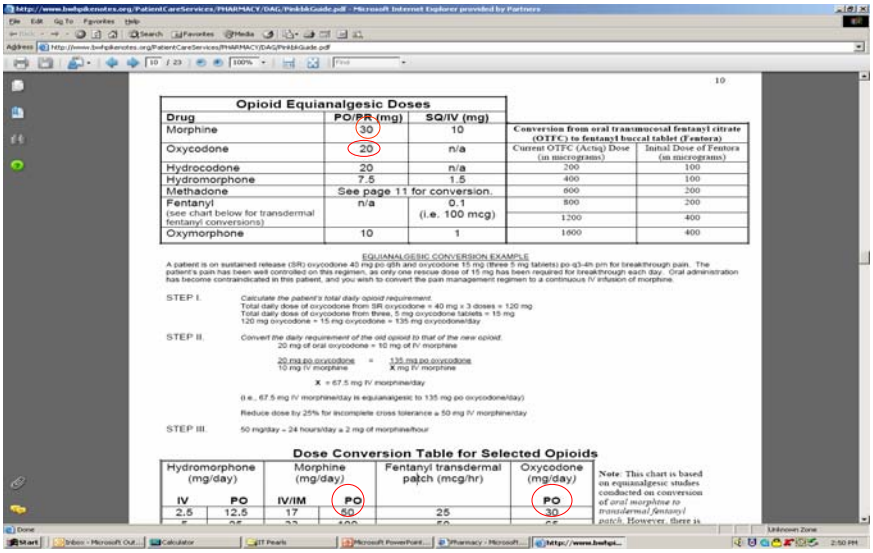

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Conclusions

- Calculators are convenient to convert morhpine/oxycodone
- Available on the internet and possibly locally
- Caution must be exercised, read carefully and as always….

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