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Dr. Choo has also worked with state legislators, other medical providers, and law-enforcement providers with regard to pain-management legislation issues in Tennessee. He served on the Opioid Prescribing Committee for the Tennessee Medical Association in order to help craft legislation aimed at curbing prescription drug abuse while protecting chronic pain patients' needs. This committee has developed opioid "best practices" guidelines for all physicians and mid-level providers in Tennessee who treat chronic pain.

Dr Choo has been voted a "Top Doc" for Pain Management by local area physicians in 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, and 2018. The honor is published in Cityview Magazine.