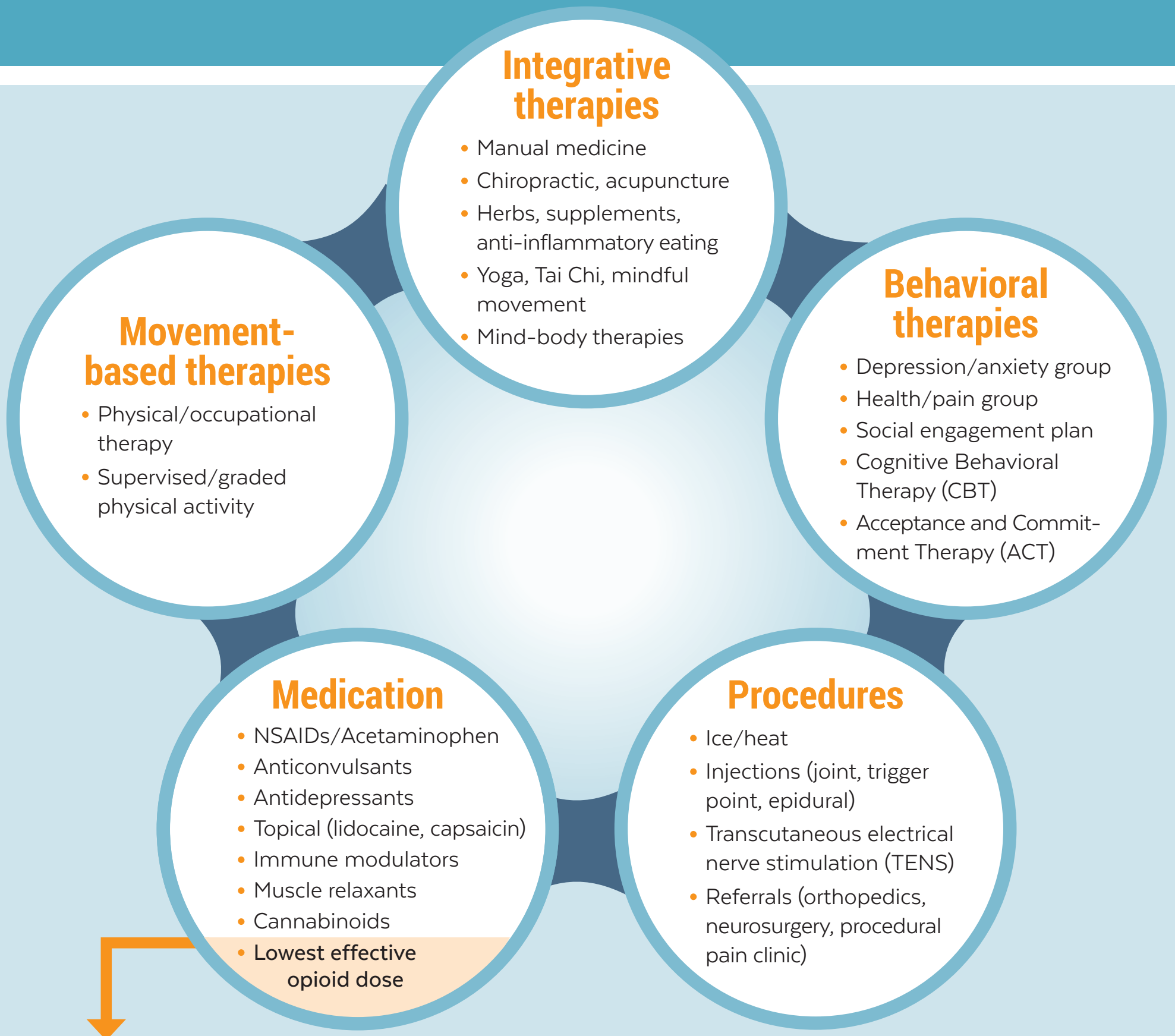


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If an opioid medication is part of the treatment plan, take the following steps:

- >> **ASSESSMENT OF RISK, ADHERENCE, FUNCTION AND PAIN:** at least annually
- >> **INFORMED CONSENT OR CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE AGREEMENT:** at least annually
- >> **CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE MONITORING PROGRAM:** check CURES every 4 months
- >> **PRESCRIBE NALOXONE:** at least every two years

If managing opioid use disorder, options include:

- >> Start buprenorphine, methadone maintenance, or extended-release naltrexone
- >> Arrange for outpatient or residential treatment
- >> Consider behavioral health and other referrals



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