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Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD)

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Resource Guide

Overview

Medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD), including buprenorphine, methadone, and naltrexone, are FDA-approved and represent the most effective treatment for opioid use disorder.

Primary Literature

Buprenorphine maintenance versus placebo or methadone maintenance for opioid dependence

Richard Mattick, Courtney Breen, Jo Kimber, & Marina Davoli

Cochrane Library, 2014

Article

Resources

- National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA): Medications to Treat Opioid Use Disorder Research Report
- SAMHSA TIP (Treatment Improvement Protocol) 63: Medications for Opioid Use Disorder - For Healthcare and Addiction Professionals, Policymakers, Patients, and Families UPDATED 2021
- Method for Successfully Inducting Individuals Who Use Illicit Fentanyl onto Buprenorphine/Naloxone, The American Journal on Addictions, 2021
- Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA): Methadone Facts
- SAMHSA: Buprenorphine Facts
- SAMHSA: Buprenorphine: Quick Start Guide
- SAMHSA: Naltrexone Facts

Videos and Toolkits

- NIDA: Medications for Opioid Use Disorder Video
- Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): Linking People with Opioid Use Disorder to Medication Management Toolkit
- Rural Health Information Hub: Rural Medication for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) Toolkit
- Vermont Center on Behavior and Health (recording): Clinical Research Pertinent to Rural Populations Affected by the Opioid Epidemic, Michelle Lofwall, MD
- Vermont Center on Behavior and Health (recording): Opioid Use Disorder Treatment: Evaluating and Maximizing Pharmacotherapies, Kelly Dunn, MS, PhD
- SAMHSA: Medication-Assisted Treatment and Common Misperceptions Video
- SAMHSA: Choosing between Buprenorphine and Methadone Video

If you cannot access any of the recommended materials, please reach out to cora@uvm.edu. Content reviewed *[12/16/2025]*.

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