

DEMYSTIFYING BUPRENORPHINE PRESCRIBING FOR YOUTH WITH OPIOID USE DISORDERS

- 1 out of 12 adolescents in need of treatment for opioid use disorder received any care in 2014. And of those who did receive treatment for prescription opioids, only 0.4% received medication-assisted treatment.¹
- The American Academy of Pediatrics published a policy statement in 2016 encouraging pediatricians to consider offering medication-assisted treatment to their adolescent and young adult patients with severe opioid use disorders or discuss referrals to other providers for this service. <http://pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/138/3/e20161893>
- Physicians are required to complete training prior to notifying the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services of their intention to prescribe approved drugs in Schedules III, IV, or V (eg: Buprenorphine products) for treatment of opioid use disorders.
- Training options:
 - Full 8-hour online course (AAP members only): www.aap.org/mat
 - Check for future live trainings on the PCSS-MAT website: <http://pcssmat.org/calendar-of-events>
 - Email substanceuse@aap.org to request an in-person training.
- Apply for a physician waiver by completing the online request: <http://buprenorphine.samhsa.gov/forms/select-practitioner-type.php>
 - You will need:
 - Your DEA number
 - Your state medical license number
 - Your training certificate information
- For referrals: SAMHSA's Buprenorphine Treatment Practitioner Locator: www.samhsa.gov/medication-assisted-treatment/physician-program-data/treatment-physician-locator
- PCSS-MAT Mentoring Program: <http://pcssmat.org/mentoring>

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