

## **Buprenorphine (MAT) Waiver Training.**

DATE: Monday, April 12 TIME: 1:15-5:30pm LOCATION: Zoom (virtual)

**PURPOSE AND INTENDED AUDIENCE:** This course is designed for physicians, physician assistants and nurse practitioners. This training will provide healthcare providers with the opportunity to apply education from the training to their practice, to address opioid dependency. Without this training, providers are unable to prescribe buprenorphine, which is the standard of care to treat opioid use disorder.

## **EDUCATIONAL OBJECTIVES**: Upon completion of this course, the participant should be able to:

- Screen and identify patients with OUD and define evidence-based treatments.
- Discuss the pharmacology of opioids as it relates to treatment of opioid use disorder (OUD) patients.
- Describe the fundamentals of office-based opioid treatment including the treatment of the co-morbid patient.
- Explain the process of buprenorphine induction as well as stabilization and maintenance.
- Discuss all FDA approved antagonist and agonist medications to treat OUD.
- Discuss basic office protocols including medical record documentation and confidentiality.
- Utilize evidence-based resources to ensure providers have the confidence to prescribe buprenorphine for patients with OUD.
- Recognize the importance of obtaining a waiver to begin treating patients with OUD.

## Faculty Presenters:

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The Co-MAT-IA Program at the University of Iowa is offering a free Buprenorphine (Suboxone) Waiver Training as part of a research program. The purpose is to train healthcare providers in medications for addiction treatment (MAT) for opioid use disorders and provide the required coursework to obtain a waiver to prescribe buprenorphine (suboxone). To collect information for our research study portion, we appreciate you completing brief pre- and post-training surveys.

In order to apply for a waiver to prescribe buprenorphine for treatment of opioid use disorders, physicians must complete 8 hours of training and nurse practitioners and physician assistants must complete 24 hours of training. Information on how to obtain the additional 16 hours of training for nurse practitioners and physician assistants will be available upon completion of the initial 8-hour training. The Buprenorphine Waiver Training is split into two sections: a 4.25-hour live session followed by a 4-hour online self-study portion. CE credits are available to physicians, nurses, physician assistants, and pharmacists for completion of the first and second half/self-study portion. The second half/self-study portion must be completed within 90 days following our virtual training session. At the end of the self-study portion, you will be required to pass an exam with a score of 75% or higher before applying for your waiver. After you have completed the 8 hours of training and passed the exam, you will receive a Certificate of Completion via email. To submit a notification for a DEA waiver to prescribe buprenorphine, you will need the following items:

- Certificate verifying completion of the required 8-hour training program (note that this certificate does not expire, you can apply for the waiver whenever you have all the required documents)
- Medical license number
- Permanent DEA number

Further instructions on how to apply for your waiver are below and will be reviewed during the training.

If you have any questions or would like to register, please contact: <a href="mailto:sabbagh@uiowa.edu">sabbagh@uiowa.edu</a>