



METHADONE

The Physician Clinical Support System for Methadone (PCSS-M) provides educational services to the entire array of health care providers prescribing methadone in an effort to increase the appropriate use and safety of this efficacious but clinically challenging medication.

The PCSS-M is composed of practicing health care providers and educators with expertise in methadone treatment for opioid addiction and/or pain. PCSS-M mentors come from across the country and work in licensed opioid treatment programs, pain clinics, primary care, and other practice settings. The PCSS-M is coordinated by the American Society of Addiction Medicine in conjunction with other leading medical societies.

Participating PCSS-M physicians, nationwide, offer their experience and education to fellow physicians to help them successfully treat patients in their practice. PCSS-M physicians provide free telephone, email and on-site support to those who sign up.

The PCSS-M is designed to help with:

- ✓ Patient assessment and selection
- ✓ Initiating and titrating methadone
- ✓ Conversion from other opioids
- ✓ Dosing and patient monitoring
- ✓ Interpreting methadone serum levels
- ✓ Drug-drug interactions
- ✓ Methadone and cardiac conduction
- ✓ Minimizing risk of diversion and overdose
- ✓ Management of co-occurring conditions
- ✓ Identification and provision of useful resources

How to get involved:

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PCSS-M Steering Committee Organizations include:

- American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry (AAAP)
- American Academy of Pain Medicine (AAPM)
- American Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence (AATOD)
- American College of Physicians (ACP)
- American Medical Association (AMA)
- Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse (AMERSA)
- American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine (AOAAM)
- American Psychiatric Association (APA)
- American Pain Society (APS)
- American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)
- Addiction Treatment Technology Center (ATTC)
- College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD)
- Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA HIV/AIDS BUREAU)
- National Alliance for Medication Assisted Recovery (NAMA Recovery)
- National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC)
- National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors (NASADAD)
- National Institute on Drug Abuse/Clinical Trials Network (NIDA/CTN)
- New York Academy of Medicine (NYAM)
- Society of General Internal Medicine (SGIM)
- State Opioid Treatment Authority (SOTA)
- Department of Veterans Affairs (VA)

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The Physician Clinical Support System for Buprenorphine (PCSS-B) provides education to primary care physicians, pain specialists, psychiatrists and other non-addiction medical practitioners in an effort to increase access to buprenorphine treatment among the millions of untreated opioid dependent patients.

BUPRENORPHINE

across the country with experience caring for opioid dependent patients and providing buprenorphine treatment. The PCSS-B is coordinated by the American Society of Addiction Medicine, in conjunction with other leading medical associations.

Participating PCSS-B physicians, nationwide, offer their experience and education to fellow physicians to help them successfully treat patients in their practice. PCSS-B physicians provide free telephone, email and on-site support to those who sign up.

The PCSS-B is designed to help with:

- ✓Patient assessment
- ✓Treatment of co-morbid conditions
- ✓Office logistics
- ✓Dosing & Patient Monitoring
- ✓Initiating medication
- ✓Guidance on Management of Special Populations (e.g. Pain, HIV, HCV, Pregnancy)



PCSS-B Steering Committee Organizations include:

- American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry (AAAP)
- American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry (AACAP)
- American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP)
- American Academy of Pain Medicine (AAPM)
- American Association for the Treatment of Opioid Dependence (AATOD)
- American College of Physicians (ACP)
- American Medical Association (AMA)
- Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse (AMERSA)
- American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine (AOAAM)
- American Psychiatric Association (APA)
- American Pain Society (APS)
- American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)
- Addiction Treatment Technology Center (ATTC)
- College on Problems of Drug Dependence (CPDD)
- Center for Substance Abuse Treatment (CSAT)
- Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA HIV/AIDS BUREAU)
- National Alliance of Advocates for Buprenorphine Treatment (NAABT)
- National Alliance for Medication Assisted Recovery (NAMA Recovery)
- National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC)
- National Association of State Alcohol and Drug Abuse Directors (NASADAD)
- National Institute on Drug Abuse/Clinical Trials Network (NIDA/CTN)
- New York Academy of Medicine (NYAM)
- Pacific AIDS Education and Training Center (PAETC)
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