



De-mystifying Opioid Replacement Therapy

Did you know

- Deaths from pharmaceutical drug overdose exceed the Road Toll¹?
- Overdose deaths from prescription opioids exceed death from illegal drugs²?
- Opioid analgesics were involved in 186 drug deaths in 2014²?
- Oxycodone is the 4th leading drug prescribed in general practice³?
- There are changes to regulations for treating opioid addiction?

All GPs can prescribe buprenorphine/naloxone (Suboxone®) for up to 5 patients.

Case load is contained by the limit on patient numbers.

This program discusses the who, what, why and how.

1. Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2. Coroners Court of Victoria; 3. Britt H, Miller GC, Henderson J, Bayram C, Valenti L, Wong C, Gordon J, Pollack AJ, Pan Y, Charles J General practice activity in Australia 2013-14. General practice series no. 36. Sydney: Sydney University Press, 2014.

Learning Outcomes

- Available Opioid Replacement Therapy agents
- Availability of expert support / mentoring GPs
- Changes in the regulations governing buprenorphine / naloxone therapy
- Information on clinical handover in the absence of patient's usual prescriber

Registration

Name: _____

Practice: _____ Phone: _____

Preferred day: _____ Time: _____

Visit Type: (please circle) Individual 20-30mins Small group meeting with colleagues 45-60mins

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Audience

For GPs and Practice Nurses

Date/Time

Scheduled at your convenience

Venue

Your Practice

Individual and small group meetings available before, during and after office hours.

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