



De-mystifying Opioid Replacement Therapy

For GPs and Practice Nurses

QUM Educational Visiting Program 2019

Did you know?

- Deaths from pharmaceutical drug overdose exceed the Road Toll¹?
- Opioid analgesics were involved in 186 drug deaths in 2014²?
- Overdose deaths from prescription opioids exceed death from illegal drugs²?
- 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.

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Learning Outcomes:

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

Event Details

Date/

Time: Ongoing QUM visiting program scheduled at your convenience

Venue: Your practice

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

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Registration

Name: _____

Practice: _____ Phone: _____

Preferred day: _____ Time: _____

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

Please return to Christine Bellamy via fax on 8686 1472.

1. Australian Bureau of Statistics, 2. Coroners Court of Victoria; 3. Britt H, Miller GC, Henderson J, et al, General practice activity in Australia 2013-14. General practice series no. 36. Sydney: Sydney University Press, 2014.