

**De-mystifying Opioid Replacement Therapy**

**For GPs and Practice Nurses**

**QUM Education Visiting Program 2019**



**Did you know?**

* **Deaths from pharmaceutical drug overdose exceed the Road Toll1**
* **Pharmaceutical drugs were involved in 372 drug deaths in 20162**
* **Overdose deaths from prescription opioids exceed deaths from illegal drugs2**
* **Oxycodone is the 4th leading drug prescribed in generalpractice3**
* **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, et al, General practice activity in Australia 2013-14. General practice series no. 36. Sydney: Sydney University Press, 2014.

**Event Details**

**Date/Time:** Scheduled at your convenience, before, during and after office hours

**Venue:** At your practice

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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



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

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