

Medication Assisted Treatment of Opioid Dependence (MATOD) Training

*This training will provide prescribers with the skills to better manage patients with **opioid dependence** and the accreditation to prescribe approved pharmacotherapies.*

Opioid dependence is a growing public health concern affecting a wide variety of patients including users of illicit, prescription and over-the-counter opioids.

Pharmacotherapy such as buprenorphine/naloxone, buprenorphine and methadone are effective evidence-based treatments for opioid dependence.

Any GP can prescribe buprenorphine/naloxone for up to 5 patients without completing Module 2 training. Contact us to find out more about available supports, including peer-based mentoring.

To prescribe buprenorphine/naloxone for more than 5 patients or methadone for any patient, the following free two-part training is required:

Module 1 – Online Training (Safer Opioid Prescribing)

Two-hour online training approved for **4 Category 2 RACGP QI&CPD points** for the 2017-2019 triennium. This training is a compulsory pre-requisite to attend Module 2. To access this module click [here](#) or contact maryan.valverde@racgp.org.au.

Learning Outcomes

- Implement safe and effective opioid prescribing
- Summarize potential benefits/risks associated with opioid prescribing
- Recognize/prevent/respond to problematic pharmaceutical opioid use.
- Assess the appropriateness of and commence induction of a patient on one of the opioid replacement therapies (ORT) – Buprenorphine

Module 2 – Face to Face Full Day Workshop

A one day face-to-face workshop approved for **40 Category 1 RACGP QI&CPD points** for the 2017-2019 triennium.

Training is free and available to members and non-members of RACGP.

Learning Outcomes

- Outline the potential benefits/risks associated with opioid prescribing
- Recognize/prevent/respond to problematic pharmaceutical opioid use
- Identify legal issues for the prescribing of buprenorphine/ methadone
- Implement safe and effective opioid/methadone prescribing as part of a broader pain management plan
- Safely and effectively prescribe buprenorphine/methadone for opioid dependence

Upcoming Module 2 Sessions:

Please note all sessions are held from 9am to 5pm – registrations start at 8:45am.

Date: Saturday July 29th
Venue: Ballarat Community Health
12 Lilburne St,
Lucas, 3350

Date: Sunday September 10th
Venue: RACGP House,
100 Wellington Parade,
East Melbourne, 3002

Date: Sunday October 22nd
Venue: Whitehorse Centre
379-397 Whitehorse Rd,
Nunawading, 3131

Date: Saturday November 18th
Venue: RACGP House,
100 Wellington Parade,
East Melbourne, 3002

Access to online Module 1 and registrations for Module 2 via RACGP Victoria events page.

<http://www.racgp.org.au/education/courses/racgpevents/vic/>

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