

Dates: Sunday April 23rd and Friday May 5th



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.*

Overview

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.

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

- **Module 1 (Safer Opioid Prescribing)** – a 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.
- **Module 2** – A one day face-to-face workshop approved for **40 Category 1 RACGP QI&CPD points** for the 2017-2019 triennium. See below for upcoming session details.

Please note: this training is free and available to members and non-members of RACGP.

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

Topics Covered

- Problematic pharmaceutical opioid use
- Clinical assessment of patients using opioids
- Drugs, dependence and harm minimisation
- Treatment approaches – buprenorphine/naloxone, buprenorphine & methadone
- Legal issues – permits, regulations, clinical standards and takeaway policies
- Available clinical & non-clinical supports



Upcoming Module 2 session dates

Session One

Date: Sunday April 23rd

Venue: RACGP House
100 Wellington Pde, East Melbourne

Session Two

Date: Friday May 5th

Venue: Cohealth
365 Hoddle St, Collingwood

Time: 9.00am - 5.00pm (Registrations from 8.45am)

Registration for either session can be completed at:
<http://www.racgp.org.au/education/courses/racgpvents/vic/>

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