

GP to GP Mentoring

GP to GP Mentoring is mentoring provided to GPs by GPs experienced in opioid management and opioid replacement therapy. The mentoring can occur face to face, via Skype or over the phone. This service is to assist GPs to improve patient opioid management and/or commence patients on opioid replacement therapy.

GP to GP mentoring is also available to all GPs on completion of the accredited *Medication Assisted Treatment for Opioid Dependence* training

The service can offer mentoring on:

New Patients	Problems	Concurrent Clinical Issues
Assessment of new patients	Medication side effects, interactions, or escalating doses	Hepatitis C
Initiation of Suboxone or methadone	Missed doses or missed appointments	Depression
Choosing between Suboxone or methadone	Holidays, takeaways	Anxiety
Dosage and dose progression	Ongoing illicit drug use	Insomnia
Withdrawal vs intoxication	Pregnancy	Benzodiazepine Abuse
Ongoing prescribing	Dosage reduction and withdrawal from methadone/Suboxone	Poly drug use
What to do at the review appointment	Transfer from Suboxone to Methadone and vice versa	

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Not sure who to contact? All opioid management team members will be able to assist or connect you to the most appropriate team member.