

Fact Sheet: Opiate Substitution Treatment Services

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<p>Overview</p>	<p>Opiate substitution treatment services (OTP) provide a combination of outpatient chemical dependency counseling along with adjunctive medication reviewed and administered by medical staff. Each patient is seen by medical staff prior to initially receiving medication.</p> <p>Upon entry and during treatment, patients receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chemical dependency diagnostic evaluations. • Medical screening by medical staff. • Physical examination by a medical provider. • Laboratory testing and urine drug screens. • Medication dose evaluations as needed. • Weekly counseling for the first three months and monthly thereafter. <p>Programs must address an array of comprehensive medical, vocational, employment, legal, and psychological issues, and provide referrals to community-based programs with expertise to address these issues. Take-home medications are regulated by an eight-point criteria consisting of length and participation in treatment, results of urine drug screens, stability in living environment and anti-diversion procedures.</p> <p>All pregnant patients are provided information about how the medication will affect them and their fetus prior to the first dose. They are followed by an OB/GYN and the program physician, who regularly evaluates medications.</p>
<p>Eligibility Requirements</p>	<p>Patients must meet Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders (DSM 5) diagnostic criteria for opiate dependence and meet state and federal eligibility requirements for admission. Pregnant and intravenous drug users are priority populations for admission.</p>
<p>Authority</p>	<p>Each agency must be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Licensed by the Washington State Department of Health Board of Pharmacy • Licensed by the federal Drug Enforcement Administration • Certified by the federal Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration’s Center for Substance Abuse Treatment • Certified by the Washington State Department of Social and Health Services - Division of Behavioral Health and Recovery (DBHR) • Accredited by DBHR or another federally recognized accreditation body <p>Agencies are regulated through Revised Code of Washington 70.96A, 42 Code of Federal</p>

	Regulations Part 8, Washington Administrative Code (WAC) 388-877 and WAC 388-877B. Programs are limited to 350 patients by RCW 70.96A, unless the county in which the program is located authorizes more slots.
Budget	The Medicaid funding for SUD treatment services is included in the per-member-per-month (PMPM) payment for the Behavioral Health Organizations (BHOs). Since moving to manage care, there is no longer a separate budget for these services.
Rates	Rates vary between BHOs and their providers.
Partners	Washington State Department of Health Board of Pharmacy Drug Enforcement Administration Behavioral Health Organizations Tribal Governments Center for Substance Abuse Treatment, Division of Pharmacological Therapies Licensed and certified OTPs are located in Appendix Q at: http://www.dshs.wa.gov/dbhr/dadirectory.shtml .
Oversight	For additional information: CSAT's Division of Pharmacological Therapies - http://dpt.samhsa.gov/
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