

P C S S

Providers
Clinical Support
System



MAT Waiver Training

Pain Management and Opioid Prescribing

Clinical Mentoring

Healthcare organizations, representing more than one million clinicians, are working together in a powerful coalition to train primary care providers to treat patients with substance use disorders (SUD), in particular opioid use disorder (OUD), as well as identify those at risk of developing OUD and pain management.

In response to the opioid healthcare crisis, the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) funded Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS), which provides free trainings to primary care clinicians in the prevention, identification, and treatment of opioid use disorder (see list of partners).

Highlights of the project include a pain core curriculum, medication assisted treatment (MAT) waiver training, and a mentoring program—all available to providers at no cost.

The chronic pain curriculum provides clinicians with the resources they need to treat their patients with chronic pain, including non-pharmacological treatments.

PCSS also provides free online 8-hour **MAT waiver training** for physicians, nurse practitioners (NPs), and physician assistants (PAs). PCSS also provides the additional 16 hours of training required for NPs and PAs to obtain their MAT waivers.

In addition to trainings, PCSS features a **clinician mentoring** program that gives providers direct access to experts in the fields of addiction treatment and pain management via email, phone, in person, or its Discussion Forum.

PCSS's vast array of evidence-based resources are tailored to support primary care providers in gaining the confidence and skills to treat their patients with opioid use disorders and substance use disorders.

Partner Organizations

Led by the American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry, the coalition includes the Addiction Technology Transfer Center; American Academy of Family Physicians; American Academy of Neurology; American Academy of Pain Medicine; American Academy of Pediatrics; American College of Emergency Physicians; American College of Physicians; American Dental Association; American Medical Association; American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine; American Psychiatric Association; American Psychiatric Nurses Association; American Society of Addiction Medicine; American Society of Pain Management Nursing; Association for Medical Education and Research in Substance Abuse; International Nurses Society on Addictions; National Association of Community Health Centers; National Association of Drug Court Professionals; and Southeastern Consortium for Substance Abuse Training.

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