

# Expanding Access to Buprenorphine

Providing life-saving care just got easier

## Effective December 29, 2022

The DATA 2000 waiver is no longer required to prescribe buprenorphine for opioid use disorder (OUD). The fiscal year 2023 omnibus, signed by President Biden on December 29, 2022, removes the federal requirement to obtain a waiver prior to prescribing buprenorphine for OUD. Only a DEA number is needed. All practitioners who have a current DEA registration that includes Schedule III authority, may now prescribe buprenorphine for opioid use disorder.

## Filling Buprenorphine Prescriptions

Pharmacists can now fill prescriptions for buprenorphine from providers using their DEA number. The X-waiver is no longer needed.

## New DEA Registration Requirements

Starting June 27, 2023, all applicants who apply for a new or renewal DEA registration must meet one of the following requirements:

- Complete 8 hours of training on opioid or other substance use disorders from approved organizations. Some MACS trainings may count toward the 8-hour substance use learning requirement for DEA registrants and renewals.
- Board certification in addiction medicine or addiction psychiatry from the American Board of Medical Specialties, American Board of Addiction Medicine, or the American Osteopathic Association.
- Have graduated in good standing within 5 years from a medical, advanced practice nursing, or physician assistant school in the United States that included successful completion of an opioid or other substance use disorder curriculum of at least 8 hours.

Prescribers with a current DATA-waived DEA registration do not need to take any action at this time and will be receiving an updated DEA registration certificate.

This information is provided by the Maryland Prescription Drug Monitoring Program (PDMP).

For more information see SAMHSA's website: [samhsa.gov/medications-substance-use-disorders/removal-data-waiver-requirement](https://www.samhsa.gov/medications-substance-use-disorders/removal-data-waiver-requirement)



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The Maryland Addiction Consultation Services (MACS) team of addiction medicine experts are here to support you and your healthcare team to provide this lifesaving treatment. For free expert support call 1-855-337-MACS or learn more about MACS at: [marylandmacs.org/MAT--MATE-Acts/Expanding-Access-to-Buprenorphine/](https://marylandmacs.org/MAT--MATE-Acts/Expanding-Access-to-Buprenorphine/)

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