



# Buprenorphine Prescribing Guidance for Medication Assisted Treatment

## PROVIDER SUMMARY SHEET

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### DIAGNOSIS REQUIREMENTS:

- Treatment must be for opioid use disorder, NOT PAIN.
- Opioid-related disorder ICD-10 codes must be found in medical claims or present on the prescription and entered by the pharmacist with the prescription claim.

### BUPRENORPHINE/NALOXONE PRODUCTS

- **Maximum daily dose:** 24mg – *higher doses require prior authorization*
- **Quantity limits (films/tablets):**
  - buprenorphine/naloxone 2mg-0.5mg: 3 units/day\*
  - buprenorphine/naloxone 8mg-2mg: 3 units/day
  - buprenorphine/naloxone 12mg-3mg: 2 units/day
  - buprenorphine/naloxone 4mg-1mg: 1 unit/day\**\* quantity limits are limited for dose optimization*

### BUPRENORPHINE PRODUCTS

- **Maximum daily dose:** 16mg – *higher doses require prior authorization*
- **Quantity limits (tablets):**
  - buprenorphine 2mg: 3 units/day\*
  - buprenorphine 8mg: 2 units/day*\* quantity limits are limited for dose optimization*

**Refer to the Universal Preferred Drug List for preferred/nonpreferred status. Brixadi, Sublocade, and Zubsolv require prior authorization.**

[HTTPS://MEDICAID.MS.GOV/PREFERRED-DRUG-LIST/](https://medicaid.ms.gov/preferred-drug-list/)

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