

X Waiver Capacity Survey

1. Do you currently have a Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)-approved medical provider waiver (X waiver) for prescribing buprenorphine for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) or Opioid Dependence?
 - a. Yes (go to question 3)
 - b. No (go to question 2)

2. What is your current thinking around obtaining an X waiver for yourself?
 - a. I am in the process of getting my X waiver (go to question 6)
 - b. I do not have a X waiver but am interested in getting one (go to question 6)
 - c. I do not have a X waiver, nor do I intend to have one (go to question 7)
 - d. I haven't really thought about this yet (go to question 6)

3. How many patients are you currently treating under your X waiver?

4. Is your buprenorphine panel currently open to new patients?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Not Sure

5. As an individual medical provider, what is the current limit on your Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA)-approved medical provider X waiver?
 - a. 30 (patients at any one time)
 - b. 100 (patients at any one time)
 - c. 275 (patients at any one time)
 - d. I don't know

6. Regardless of your waiver status or limit, what is the maximum number of patients that you are willing to treat with buprenorphine for OUD or Opioid Dependence at any one time?

7. What barriers keep you from getting an X waiver or increasing the number of patients you treat under an X waiver. (Please check all that apply)
 - There is not enough demand/need in my community
 - Clinic leadership does not allow buprenorphine treatment
 - Clinic leadership allows it but is not supportive of it
 - Not enough internal team support
 - Lack of cross-coverage/too few X waived providers in our clinic/health system
 - Stigma among my clinic staff

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- Stigma among my patients
 - I have reached my X waiver limit
 - Clinic staff need more education around buprenorphine treatment
 - Clinic staff need more education around addiction and addiction treatment in general
 - I am the only x-waivered provider and do not have back up when I am away
 - Limited access to timely consultation/mentorship (e.g. a “Warm/Hot Line”, etc.) to support clinical pivots or decisions
 - Limited partnerships with specialty behavioral health for referrals and consultation
 - Long waitlists for referring patients to additional supports or a higher level of care
 - Reimbursement rates do not cover the increased level of care/administration that is needed
 - Lack of community practice standards around other substance use, opiate prescribing, caring for patient with persistent pain
 - Schedule capacity challenges (e.g. I do not have enough slots on my schedule for more patients with OUD or complex OD being treated with buprenorphine)
 - I don't know enough about this topic
 - I am the only x-waivered provider in my area and I worry that I'll be inundated with patient requests
 - I worry that if word gets out that I have a waiver, my patient panel will end up primarily OUD patients
 - Other (please specify)
8. Is there anything else you would like us to know about barriers or challenges to obtaining an X waiver or treating patients under an X waiver?
9. Health System or clinic name
10. Location where you provide treatment (town, county, area)
11. Name (optional)

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12. Would you like to be contacted with help or information (check all that apply)?

- Assessing or supporting my site's Pain Management practices
- Assessing or supporting my site's Opioid prescribing practices
- Assessing or supporting my site's OUD/Opioid Dependence treatment practices
- Training my staff on any of the above
- Activities or supports in my region related to any of the above
- Other (please specify)

13. Can we contact you to learn more about your responses?

- a. Yes
- b. No

14. Best phone number to reach you at

15. Best email address to reach you at