

Expression of Interest -funding support to expand your scope of practice

Do you want to build knowledge, skills, and confidence in providing care to people with opioid dependence?

The best place to begin is with the most stable part of that population.

COORDINARE is inviting General Practitioners to participate in a project to support GP training and confidence in opioid dependency treatment (ODT) prescribing.

The project

COORDINARE is working closely with the Illawarra Shoalhaven LHD and Southern NSW LHD to increase the number of active ODT prescribers in our region to support people with AOD needs and build GP capacity and capability.

We are offering funding of \$2,500 per GP to undertake an Opioid Treatment Accreditation Course Educational Activity (OTAC)* and take on **five (5)** stable patients who are on opioid replacement therapy (excluding methadone) within the Local Health Districts Drug and Alcohol services, for ongoing monitoring of treatment and general holistic health care planning, for a minimum period of 12 months.

For the purposes of this EOI, participation in the Fundamentals of Opioid Treatment OTAC course and Depot Buprenorphine module is required – estimated as two hours online e-learning.

For clinicians who are interested in obtaining full OTAC accreditation, an extended educational module is required and participation in a clinical placement. COORDINARE can assist in facilitating clinical placements if desired.

Practitioners will be supported in their management of these patients with the following:

- A GP Clinical lead providing clinical support and guidance
- Comprehensive handover of care from LHD service
- Access to a community of practice to support ongoing learning
- Access to escalation pathways for the patient to return to the LHD service if no longer deemed stable.

The one off payment of **\$2,500 (excl. GST)** is provided as **time-based remuneration for non-billable project activities only**. The Grant does not constitute payment for, and must not be applied to, **clinical consultations, prescribing, or the provision of direct clinical services**.

Register your interest

To register your interest, please complete the information below and return to COORDINARE:
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| APHRA Number | | | |
| Practitioner contact: | Mobile phone: | | |
| | Email: | | |
| Practice Name: | | | |
| Practice Address: | | | |
| | Town: | | Postcode: |
| Organisation phone: | | | |

Important information:

1. There are a limited number of funded places for this project so please return your EOI promptly.
 - a. In circumstances where shortlisting of applications is required, priority may be given to practitioners in an area of high need based on population data or are treating a high-risk population
2. By registering for this opportunity, you are agreeing that you are willing to:
 - a. Receive and provide ongoing care for **5 stable patients** on opioid replacement therapy from your local health district drug and alcohol service for a minimum period of 12 months
 - b. Participate in project activities which may include:
 - Online community of practice
 - [Opioid Treatment Accreditation Course](#)
 - Fundamentals of opioid treatment (online - 60 minutes) -REQUIRED
 - Depot buprenorphine (online-60 minutes) - REQUIRED
 - Opioid Treatment accreditation course (online/in-person – 7 hours) - OPTIONAL
 - c. Commence project activities ASAP
 - d. Contribute 1 case study to an online community of practice
 - e. Develop and maintain a reciprocal arrangement with another GP in your practice (or practice nearby) to provide clinical cover for patients during any time of leave or illness.
 - f. Participate in an evaluation survey regarding your experience with this project



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