

# Medications For Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD)

MOUD is an effective, clinically proven treatment that helps people in their recovery. People recover differently - one way people recover is with MOUD.

MOUD is the use of FDA approved medications, typically alongside counseling and behavioral therapies, to provide a “whole-patient” approach to the treatment of opioid use disorders (OUD).

Research shows that for many, a combination of medication and therapy can successfully treat OUD, sustain recovery, and prevent or reduce opioid overdose.

TREATMENT	METHADONE	BUPRENORPHINE	NALTREXONE
PROCESS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medication binds to opioid receptors</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medication binds to opioid receptors but does not completely activate them</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Medication blocks activation of opioid receptors</li> </ul>
EFFECTS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Relieves cravings and withdrawal symptoms</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Reduces withdrawal symptoms and cravings</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prevents all opioids from causing euphoria</li> </ul>
DISPENSING	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>On site daily at Opioid Treatment Programs</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prescribing healthcare provider</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prescribing healthcare provider</li> </ul>
FDA APPROVAL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1972</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2002</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>2006</li> </ul>



MOUD treatment is associated with a 76% reduction in overdose at 3 months



MOUD treatment is associated with a 59% reduction in overdose at 12 months

Data from [drugpolicyfacts.org](http://drugpolicyfacts.org)



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