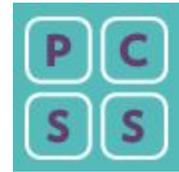




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CALLING ALL MEDICAL PROFESSIONALS!

**DOCTORS, HOSPITAL ADMINISTRATORS, NURSE PRACTITIONERS,
PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS, EMT'S, NURSES, MEDICAL STUDENTS...
YOUR HELP IS NEEDED TO SAVE LIVES!!!**

Medical Professionals' Conference on Opioid Medication-Assisted Treatment

INCLUDING BUPRENORPHINE WAIVER TRAINING FOR MDs, NPs, PAs

SATURDAY, MARCH 17

**Cold Spring Harbor Laboratory
Cold Spring Harbor, NY**

10:00-12:00	Overview of overdose prevention & MAT
12:00-1:00	Lunch & networking
1:00-5:00	Buprenorphine waiver training
1:00-3:00	Collaborative workshop for waived prescribers

EVENT IS FREE - [REGISTRATION REQUIRED](#) BY MARCH 9

Across Long Island and across the United States, [opioid users are dying](#) because of the inadequate infrastructure for buprenorphine and other medication-assisted treatments. More medical professionals are urgently needed who are committed and qualified to provide MAT -- and more education and support are needed for these practitioners. This conference will include training that fulfills 4 hours of the in-person requirements for medical professionals to receive a DEA waiver to prescribe buprenorphine. Speakers and workshop presenters will include:

LLOYD SEDERER, M.D.

Medical Director, NY State Office of Mental Health

MICHAEL DELMAN, M.D.

President-Elect, NY Society of Addiction Medicine

PATRICK O'SHAUGHNESSY, M.D.

Medical Director, Catholic Health System of L.I.

ADAM BISAGA, M.D., LESLIE MARINO, M.D.

Columbia University Medical Center

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MORE INFORMATION ON THE MARCH 17 CONFERENCE

What are the goals of this event?

- To provide an overview of medically assisted opioid addiction treatment (MAT) to medical and health professionals on Long Island - including doctors, nurses, EMTs, medical administrators, nurse practitioners, physician assistants, medical students and others.
- To share information about a new initiative by the Catholic Health Systems of Long Island (CHSLI) to initiate MAT for opioid users in hospital emergency departments.
- To explore other strategies to expand and improve buprenorphine access on Long Island.
- To provide 4 hours of high-quality training that will fulfill some of the requirements to receive a DEA waiver for prescribing buprenorphine. (For physicians, the 4-hour training will satisfy the in-person training requirements; the remaining 4 hours can be done online. Nurse practitioners and physician assistants will have 20 additional hours of required training.)
- To provide a forum for the discussion of practical challenges facing medical practitioners who are prescribing buprenorphine on Long Island.
- To launch the Long Island Buprenorphine Learning Collaborative (see below).

What is the program schedule?

The morning portion (10:00 to noon) will include:

- Welcome and overview of comprehensive addiction treatment from **Dr. Lloyd Sederer**, Medical Director of the New York State Office of Mental Health.
- Report from **Dr. Patrick O'Shaughnessy**, Medical Director of Catholic Health Systems of Long Island, on CHSLI's pilot program to initiate buprenorphine treatment for opioid users in hospital emergency rooms.
- Presentation by **Dr. Adam Bisaga** of Columbia University Medical Center on the risks of "detoxing" opioid users, and the role of MAT in opioid addiction treatment.

The afternoon (1:00 to 5:00) will provide training and discussion for current and prospective prescribers of buprenorphine, including:

- 4-hour training for prospective prescribers (MDs, NPs, PAs) led by **Dr. Michael Delman**, President-Elect of the NY Society of Addiction Medicine.
- 2-hour (1:00 to 3:00) workshop and discussion for current buprenorphine prescribers led by **Dr. Leslie Marino** of Columbia University Medical Center.

What is the Long Island Buprenorphine Learning Collaborative?

Across the country, thousands of doctors have received DEA waivers to prescribe buprenorphine but have not made MAT part of their clinical practice. This is due, in part, to the challenges involved in doing so - challenges related to the nature of the disease and the drug, as well as those related to insurance or administrative requirements.

This Learning Collaborative will attempt to expand and improve buprenorphine access on Long Island by addressing these challenges through mutual support, continuing education, and strategic action in the public arena. For more information, please contact Dr. Marino at leslie.marino@nyspi.columbia.edu.