

Ticket #: _____ Request Date: _____ Request Time: _____

PHYSICIAN CERTIFICATION PRIOR AUTHORIZATION FORM

A request for the patient identified below has been made for the dispensing of **Suboxone®/Subutex®**. Based on recent clinical information, we require more information before this prescription can be paid by the patient's health benefit plan. Please fill out the following information and return to us as indicated below:

A. Member Information			
Patient Name:	Plan Name/Plan ID:		
Patient ID:	Patient Date of Birth:	Patient Contact Phone #:	
B. Physician Information			
Physician Name:		Physician Address:	
Physician DEA #:	Physician Phone #:	Physician Fax #:	
Drug Name and Strength:	Direction (SIG):	QTY and Days Supply:	NDC #:
C. Pharmacy Information			
Pharmacy Name:	NABP #:	Pharmacy Phone #:	Pharmacy Fax #:
D. Clinical Information (Please fill out the following information: circle all that apply)			
Complete this section for Initiation and Continuation: (Refer to page 2 for required documents and the prescriber's signature.)			
Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> Suboxone® <input type="checkbox"/> Subutex® Dose: _____ Directions: _____			
Check one: <input type="checkbox"/> Induction <input type="checkbox"/> Stabilization <input type="checkbox"/> Maintenance Induction Date: (required) ____/____/____			
Anticipated length of therapy: _____			
1. Is the patient pregnant or nursing?	If pregnant, expected date of delivery: ____/____/____	YES	NO
2. Is this request for the treatment of opioid dependence?		YES	NO
3. Is this request for the treatment of pain?		YES	NO
4. Is the patient taking other opioids, tramadol or carisoprodol?		YES	NO
5. Is the prescriber registered to prescribe Suboxone/Subutex under the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)?		YES	NO
Initiation of therapy or initial review: (Supporting documentation is required for answers to all the questions.)			
1. Does the patient have a confirmed DSM-IV-TR diagnosis of opioid dependency?		YES	NO
2. Has an initial drug screen been performed to verify presence of opiates and other substances?		YES	NO
3. Has the patient failed more than one prior attempt with opiates agonist treatment within the past 12 months?		YES	NO
If YES, provide date(s) of relapse(s): _____			
4. Does the patient have co-morbid conditions that would interfere with compliance?		YES	NO
If YES, please list: _____			
5. What best describes the recovery environment for this patient?	<input type="checkbox"/> Supportive <input type="checkbox"/> Unsupportive <input type="checkbox"/> Toxic		
6. Has the patient been referred to a support group or licensed mental health counselor for psychological counseling?		YES	NO
If YES, specify: _____			
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Initiation of therapy or initial review: (Continued from page 1)

7. Has the patient been referred for a psychiatric evaluation if indicated? YES NO
8. Has the patient signed a contract (attach) and committed to both pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic modalities of treatment? YES NO
Date of next visit? _____

Continuation of Therapy: (Supporting documentation is required for answers to all the questions.)

1. Is the patient compliant with pharmacologic therapy? YES NO
Drug screen date: (please attach) _____
2. Is the patient compliant with non-pharmacologic therapy? YES NO
Provide details (support type [group or individual], frequency of attendance, dates):

YES NO
3. How long has the patient been stable at the current dose? _____ YES NO
4. Is the patient ready to taper the dose at this time? YES NO
If NO, provide rationale: _____
If YES, provide taper schedule: _____
5. Is the revised individual treatment plan reflecting follow-up at the most current office visit attached for review? YES NO
Date of next office visit: _____

Prior Authorization Standards for Review:

Prior authorization review is intended for office-based treatment of opioid dependency for individuals who meet the following criteria:

- With an adequate amount of psychosocial support; family/peers
- With a readiness for change and a personal commitment to live a drug-free lifestyle
- With a willingness to comply with all elements of the treatment plan, including pharmacologic and non-pharmacologic aspects of the established protocol
- With consistent regular drug screens that are negative for opiates
- With a willingness to abstain from illicit drugs

Helpful links:

SAMHSA recommendations: <http://www.samhsa.gov>

National Library of Medicine for Clinical Guidelines for Use of Buprenorphine in the Treatment of Opioid Addiction

<http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/bookshelf/br.fcgi?book=hssamhsatip&part=A72248>

Authorized Medical Signature:

Telephone:

Date:

When Completed Return To:

MC-Rx Clinical Division, 1267 Professional Parkway, Gainesville, GA 30507
1-866-965-Drug (3784) / Fax # 866-999-7736

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Prior authorization forms are reviewed at least annually and are available at www.MC-Rx.com. Medical Review Criteria are reviewed at least annually. Revised 5/2019