**Psychiatry & Psychotherapy Podcast Series: Episode 193: Buprenorphine and Opioid Use Disorder Management**

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**Purpose**

This episode will discuss the recent elimination of the X-Waiver and what it means for providers, the mechanism and efficacy of buprenorphine, and practical tips for prescribing buprenorphine and supporting patients on their road to recovery from opioid use disorder.

**Target Audience**

Specialties – Family Medicine, Medicine, Psychiatry & Human Behavior

Professions – Physician, Nurse Practitioner, Physician Assistant

**Activity Objectives**

1 Describe the mechanism of action, pharmacokinetics, and pharmacodynamics of buprenorphine.

2 Describe how to initiate, maintain, and discontinue buprenorphine treatment and recognize when to utilize each of these phases of treatment.

3 Describe how the DEA, DATA Act, and X-Waiver apply to patient care involving buprenorphine.

4 Describe non-pharmaceutical interventions for opioid use disorder management

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**Agenda**

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