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TO: CCDTF Coordinators/Licensed chemical dependency treatment programs

FROM: Alcohol & Drug Abuse Division (ADAD)
Minnesota Department of Human Services (DHS)

RE: Options for Opioid Treatment in Minnesota Educational requirements

Purpose

To inform counties, tribes, CCDTF providers and licensed chemical dependency treatment programs that the required educational materials regarding options for opioid treatment is now available.

Of Concern To

- CCDTF Coordinators/licensed chemical dependency treatment providers

Action Required

Read, reproduce and disseminate

The last legislative session the Human Services Licensing Act was amended in 245A.1915. Please review the statement below for that Statutory requirement:

**OPIOID ADDICTION TREATMENT EDUCATION
REQUIREMENT FOR PROVIDERS LICENSED TO PROVIDE CHEMICAL
DEPENDENCY TREATMENT SERVICES.**

All programs licensed by the commissioner must provide educational information concerning treatment options for opioid addiction, including the use of a medication for the use of opioid addiction, to clients identified as having or seeking treatment for opioid addiction. The commissioner shall develop educational materials that are supported by research and updated periodically that must be used by programs to comply with this requirement.

Also in the same legislation was amendment to 254B.04. Please review the statement below for that Statutory requirement:

Subd. 2b. Eligibility for placement in opioid treatment programs. (a)

Notwithstanding provisions of Minnesota Rules, part 9530.6622, subpart 5, related to a placement authority's requirement to authorize services or service coordination in a program that complies with Minnesota Rules, part 9530.6500, or Code of Federal Regulations, title 42, part 8, and after taking into account an individual's preference for placement in an opioid treatment program, a placement authority may, but is not required to, authorize services or service coordination or otherwise place an individual in an opioid treatment program. Prior to making a determination of placement for an individual, the placing authority must consult with the current treatment provider, if any.

(b) Prior to placement of an individual who is determined by the assessor to require treatment for opioid addiction, the assessor must provide educational information

concerning treatment options for opioid addiction, including the use of a medication for the use of opioid addiction. The commissioner shall develop educational materials supported by research and updated periodically that must be used by assessors to comply with this requirement.

The educational materials that meet this purpose are on Edocs as form DHS-6745-ENG. Please feel free to reproduce locally and utilize:

<https://edocs.dhs.state.mn.us/lfservlet/Public/DHS-6745-ENG>

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