


Name of Policy: <u>Criteria for Suboxone Induction</u> Policy Number: 3364-160-SD-154 Department: Psychiatry Approving Officer: Chief Executive Officer - UTMC Responsible Agent: Chairperson/Medical Director Department of Psychiatry Administrative Director Department of Psychiatry Scope: OP-Clinic-Psychiatry	 Effective Date: 04/01/2022 Initial Effective Date: 04/01/2022
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(A) Policy Statement

Individuals seeking services for suboxone induction in the Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic will meet specific criteria before services will be provided.

(B) Purpose of Policy

To ensure patients receiving treatment meet the level of care required for services.

(C) Procedure

1. Confirm a diagnosis of an active Opioid use disorder, according to the DSM-V criteria through a thorough diagnostic assessment.
2. The assessment will include but not limited to a substance use history that contains:
 - a. All drugs used, including ethanol, nicotine, benzodiazepines
 - b. Age and amount of first use
 - c. Method of acquiring drug
 - d. Current use
 - e. Any periods of abstinence
 - f. Treatment history
 - g. Goals for treatment
3. If the patient is diagnosed with a psychiatric disorder, the patient’s condition must be considered stable.
4. The patient is not in immediate danger to self, other or property; however, there may be a recent history of self-harm or serious risk-taking behavior.
5. The patient requires treatment to promote treatment progress and recovery due to substance use problems.
6. Individuals last opioid use was:
 - a. Longer than 12 hours at time of assessment
 - b. At least 12 hours since last short acting opioid (e.g., heroine, crushed oxycodone, hydromorphone, morphine, Percocet)
 - c. At least 24 hours since last oral long-acting opioid (e.g., Oxycontin, Oxyneo, Hydromorphone)

