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## MAT MONTHLY

*A Newsletter for Primary Care Providers participating in the Rural Oklahoma MAT Expansion Project  
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**Payment and Reimbursement  
Resources for Implementing MAT**

Unsure of what billing code to use when providing MAT in your office? Payment and reimbursement pathways when treating substance-use disorders can be difficult to navigate. Here are three resources to help you successfully implement MAT:

- [Physician Billing for Office-Based Treatment of Opioid Dependence](#). This cheat sheet by the Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS) provides a listing of Current Procedural Terminology (CPT) codes for both non-psychiatric physicians and psychiatrists.
- [Financing Factors for Implementing Medication-Assisted Treatment](#). In partnership with PCSS-MAT, the National Council for Behavioral Health developed a webinar series focused on successful implementation of MAT within organizations. The third webinar in this series addresses financial considerations for implementing and sustaining MAT in primary care or behavioral health settings.
- [Navigating Payment and Reimbursement Pathways](#). The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) developed a webinar to help providers navigate different reimbursement models, understand the basic language of reimbursement, and apply best practices for claims submissions.

If you have questions about payment and reimbursement for MAT, please contact us at [OklahomaMAT@air.org](mailto:OklahomaMAT@air.org).

## Fundamentals of Addiction Medicine ECHO Series



**Want to learn more about evidence-based screening and treatment for OUD? Join an upcoming FAME session!** The FAME series hosted by The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) and the University of New Mexico Project. This **FREE** opportunity will enhance your ability to recognize, diagnose, and treat patients with substance use disorders by connecting you with experts and peers in the addiction medicine community. **The session is held weekly on Tuesdays, 10:00 AM – 12:00 PM CT.** [Register Now!](#)

**Upcoming FAME sessions include:**

- March 5, 2019 - Evidence-Based Screening for SUDs
- March 12, 2019 - This session has been cancelled
- March 19, 2019 - Using Medications to Decrease Risk of Relapse to Alcohol
- March 26, 2019 - Treatment of SUDs in Adolescents
- April 2, 2019 - Drug Use in Pregnancy
- April 9, 2019 - Tobacco Use Disorder
- April 16, 2019 - Alcohol Withdrawal and Medical Complications

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## **Answers to Providers' Questions about the FAME Series**

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**Q: Can I still join if I do not have a case to share?**

A: Yes. We encourage you to join whether you have a case or not. Listening to other providers' cases and solutions will help you in your patient encounters.

**Q: Can I join again if I joined the series before?**

A: Yes. Please join us. Every session is unique based on the cases shared.

**Q. Can I join in the middle of a series?**

A. Yes. Each session is on a different topic. We hope you can join as many as possible.

For questions about the FAME series please email us at: [OklahomaMAT@air.org](mailto:OklahomaMAT@air.org)

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## OklahomaMAT Website

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The [OklahomaMAT website](#) is updated regularly to provide you with current training opportunities, physician mentorship Q&A, new resources and tools on opioid use disorder for providers and their patients, as well as additional supports. Check back often!



**Connect with an OklahomaMAT  
Physician Consultant**

Many providers struggle with uncertainty when they begin providing MAT. The treatment can feel high stakes, and providers may wonder if they are making the right decisions for their patients.

OklahomaMAT physician consultants are in the process of calling participating providers to ensure you are getting the support and clinical feedback you need. If you have not been contacted and would like to schedule a call, please email us at [OklahomaMAT@air.org](mailto:OklahomaMAT@air.org).

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**Dr. Layne Subera, OklahomaMAT Physician Consultant**



Dr. Subera is certified in Family Medicine, Osteopathic Manipulative Treatment and Pain Medicine. He also provides Medication-Assisted Treatment and has treated substance use disorder patients in the rural setting for more than 10 years. He has extensive healthcare leadership experience and is serving as a commissioner for the Oklahoma Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs Control Commission. His professional interests include public safety, bioethics and rural healthcare access.

Click [here](#) for a full list of OklahomaMAT physician consultants.

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## Get Waivered!

Make a goal to complete the trainings and obtain your waiver this month! Follow these steps:

**Step 1: Register with ASAM at <https://elearning.asam.org/>**

To register click on the link labeled "Create a New Account". Login using your newly created account information. Email [ASAM](mailto:ASAM) to let them know that you have registered and are with the OklahomaMAT Project.

**Step 2: Take the MAT Online Waiver Course**

The ASAM Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder Course is now online. Physicians can take the 8-hour course needed to receive a waiver to prescribe buprenorphine in an office-based setting. NPs and PA's can take the 24-hour online course to become waived.

**Step 3: Complete your Notice of Intent (NOI) Form**

Once you have finished your course(s) send your NOI form to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA) for review.

**Step 4: Forward your Certificate of Completion to SAMSHA**

When you complete your training ASAM will email you a certificate of completion and provide you with the directions on how to forward your certificate to SAMSHA.

Have Questions? Contact ASAM at [mgrant@asam.org](mailto:mgrant@asam.org)

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## ASAM Fundamentals of Addiction Medicine 40-Hour CME Program is Available!

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As an OklahomaMAT provider, you can access the ASAM Fundamentals of Addiction Medicine 40-Hour CME Program **at no cost**. Participants will learn how to recognize, screen, treat and refer patients with substance use disorders. OklahomaMAT providers can take advantage of the full 40-hour program or sections of interest. You should have received an email to confirm your registration. If you have not received this information, please email: [OklahomaMAT@air.org](mailto:OklahomaMAT@air.org)

## Upcoming Events/Conferences

The ASAM workshops and conferences below are available to OklahomaMAT participants at 25% reduced price. Please contact ASAM at [mgrant@asam.org](mailto:mgrant@asam.org) to receive the discount.

- [The ASAM Annual Conference: Innovations in Addiction Medicine in Science](#)
  - **Date:** April 4-7, 2019
  - **Location:** Hilton Orlando - 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL, US
- [The ASAM Motivational Interviewing Workshop](#)
  - **Date:** April 4, 2019
  - **Location:** Hilton Orlando - 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL, US
  - **Time:** 8:00 am - 5:30 pm
- [The ASAM Fundamentals of Addiction Medicine – Live Workshop](#)
  - **Date:** April 4, 2019
  - **Location:** Hilton Orlando - 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL, US
  - **Time:** 8:00 am - 5:30 pm
- [The ASAM Pain and Addiction Common Threads Course XX](#)
  - **Date:** April 4, 2019
  - **Location:** Hilton Orlando - 6001 Destination Parkway, Orlando, FL, US
  - **Time:** 8:00 am - 5:30 pm
- [The ASAM Review Course in Addiction Medicine](#)
  - **Date:** July 25-27, 2019
  - **Location:** Hilton Anatole - 2201 N Stemmons Fwy, Dallas, TX 75207

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## [Resources of Interest](#)

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### [Opioid Use Disorder: Challenges and Opportunities in Rural Communities](#)

This fact sheet describes some of the challenges rural communities face in providing access to evidence-based treatment and strategies used by federal and state agencies to enhance treatment capacity, including how one rural community responded to the opioid epidemic by addressing the specific needs of its residents.

### [Medication First Model for the Treatment of Opioid Use Disorder](#)

Produced by Missouri's State Targeted Response to the Opioid Crisis, Medication First programs get people with OUD maintenance medical treatment as quickly as possible

and provide voluntary supportive services as needed. The "low-threshold" medical approach prioritizes client choice in both service selection and service participation. This brief describes the Medication First program implemented in Missouri.

If you have any questions or would like to share something in our monthly newsletter, please contact the AIR team at [OklahomaMAT@air.org](mailto:OklahomaMAT@air.org) or by phone at 866-236-4285.

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