



How Buprenorphine Can Help with Pain and Opioid Addiction

If you or a loved one suffers from pain or has a problem with opioid addiction, buprenorphine may be an option to help you feel better.

What is buprenorphine?

Buprenorphine is a medicine that is used to treat pain and to help those addicted to opioids. It can also help with relieving withdrawal symptoms. Buprenorphine is to be used daily to help people overcome addiction.

Before taking buprenorphine:

Talk to your doctor about any other medications you are taking. Allow your doctor to explain the risks and benefits of taking buprenorphine.

If taking buprenorphine:

Do not drink alcohol if you're taking buprenorphine. Only take prescription drugs from your own doctor and avoid illegal drugs. Some side effects to talk with your doctor about include:

- Nausea and vomiting
- Constipation
- Muscle aches and cramps
- Cravings
- Trouble sleeping
- Fever

Additional support

We're here to help with additional tools and local resources. Please contact us by calling 1-866-282-6280 (TTY: 711).

- **SAMHSA National Helpline:**
1-800-662-HELP (4357)
www.samhsa.gov/find-help/national-helpline
- **SAMHSA Treatment Locator:**
www.samhsa.gov/find-treatment

