

Emergency Department (ED) MAT Bridge Program:

EDs as Partners in Implementing Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Services

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Awardee	The Andrew Levitt Center For Social Emergency Medicine http://www.levittcenter.org/
Global Project	California MAT Expansion Project
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Description: The ED MAT Bridge Program is a component of the California MAT Expansion Project and builds upon the pilot program currently funded by the California Health Care Foundation. The ED MAT Bridge Program expands and improves access to MAT by developing ED implementation and evaluation teams to coordinate with, and recruit, participating EDs across a minimum of 6 counties statewide. Participating EDs induct patients with opioid use disorder (OUD) into treatment and connect them with outpatient treatment centers for sustained maintenance MAT.

Objectives

- Expand access to MAT for Californians suffering from OUD
- Provide implementation guidance, technical assistance, and training to EDs
- Evaluate the efficacy of ED-based interventions to increase MAT
- Disseminate evaluation results to guide future ED intervention efforts statewide and nationally

Overview

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