

### Application for Authority to Prescribe Methadone or Buprenorphine under the NSW Opioid Treatment Program (OTP)

This form is available online in PDF format (<http://www.health.nsw.gov.au/pharmaceutical>) and should be filled in electronically using a computer. If completing the form by hand, please use BLOCK LETTERS and ensure that all details are legible.

Eligible applications are generally processed within 2 business days.

Patient ID No : \_\_\_\_\_ START DATE : \_\_\_\_\_ TRANSFER : Y / N [OFFICE USE ONLY]

1. PATIENT FAMILY NAME : .....
2. GIVEN NAMES : .....  
(first and middle)
3. ALSO KNOWN AS : .....  
(family name)  
.....  
(first and middle name)
4. RESIDENTIAL ADDRESS : .....
5. SUBURB : .....
6. POSTCODE : \_ \_ \_ \_ \_
7. DATE OF BIRTH : \_ \_ \_ \_ \_  
If patient is aged 16 years to under 18 years, provide the name of the approved prescriber providing a second opinion. A report from this prescriber must be attached to this application.  
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8. SEX :  M  F
9. This application is for :  Methadone  Buprenorphine
10. Indicate the patient's current status : (Tick one box only)  
 Currently on NSW OTP ➡ GO TO Q.16  
 Not currently on NSW OTP but has previously been on NSW OTP  
 Never has been on NSW OTP
11. Is the patient of Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander origin?  
 1 Yes, Aboriginal  
 2 Yes, Torres Strait Islander  
 3 Yes, both Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander  
 4 No, neither Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
12. In which COUNTRY was the patient born?  
 1100 Australia  
 other, specify .....
13. What is the patient's PREFERRED LANGUAGE?  
 1201 English  
 other, specify .....

14. What is the patient's primary opioid drug of dependence?  
(Tick one box only)  
 1202 heroin  
 1203 oxycodone  
 1101 codeine  
 1201 buprenorphine  
 1305 methadone  
 1102 morphine  
 1301 fentanyl  
 1210 hydromorphone  
 1306 pethidine  
 9999 other, specify .....
15. What drug(s), other than opioids, does the patient perceive as being a concern? (Tick the appropriate box/es)  
 3 no other drugs of concern  
 2100 alcohol  
 2400 benzodiazepines  
 3903 cocaine  
 7101 cannabinoids  
 2202 ketamine  
 3405 MDMA (e.g. ecstasy)  
 3103 methamphetamine  
 3906 nicotine  
 1400 non opioid analgesic  
 9999 other, specify .....
16. Who is the patient's current OTP prescriber? (Tick one box only)  
 Patient is not currently on the NSW OTP ➡ GO TO Q.19  
 I (the applicant) am the current prescriber  
 Other NSW community prescriber, specify full name  
.....  
 Justice Health  
 Interstate or Overseas prescriber, specify (e.g. Vic)  
.....  

Note: A statement signed by the interstate prescriber showing the dose and date of last dose (including takeaways) must be attached to this application
17. Date of last dose of methadone/buprenorphine :  

Note: If the patient is transferring from another prescriber, specify the date of the last dose dispensed on the current prescription, including any takeaways.

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**Patient's Name:** .....(prescriber to complete)

- 18. Last dose of methadone/buprenorphine : \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ mg
  - 19. Proposed starting date : \_\_\_\_\_
  - 20. Proposed starting dose (determined in accord with clinical assessment) : \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ mg
  - 21. Has treatment been commenced as an inpatient immediately prior to this application?  Y  N
  - 22. Expected maximum dose : \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ mg
  - 23. Proposed administration (dosing) point :  
 .....  
 .....
- Suburb/Town : .....

I, the undersigned, declare that the patient's opioid dependence has been established using current best practice (see latest NSW clinical guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health), and that the patient has been assessed suitable for the OTP. A treatment agreement has been completed.

- Prescriber's Signature : .....
- Prescriber's Name : .....
- AHPRA Registration Number : .....
- PBS Prescriber Number : .....
- Best Contact Number : .....
- Practice Name : .....
- Practice Address : .....
- Ph : ..... Fax : .....

**To be completed by the patient**

I hereby declare that I have not knowingly supplied any false particulars above and that I am \*NOT CURRENTLY ON ANY OTHER /TRANSFERRING FROM ANOTHER methadone or buprenorphine program. I have been explained the nature of methadone/buprenorphine treatment and the potential side effects of methadone/buprenorphine, and I consent to treatment. I also understand that the particulars I have supplied are relevant and necessary to my treatment and the management of the NSW Opioid Treatment Program, and will be stored confidentially on a central register.

Name : .....

Signature : .....

Date : \_\_\_\_\_

*\*Cross out whichever does not apply*

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