

MEDICATIONS FOR OPIOID USE DISORDER (MOUD)

Child Dependency Courts

Medications for Opioid Use Disorder (MOUD) is an evidence-based treatment that **supports recovery** and **reduces both relapse and overdose risk** for parents involved in child welfare cases who are struggling with opioid misuse.



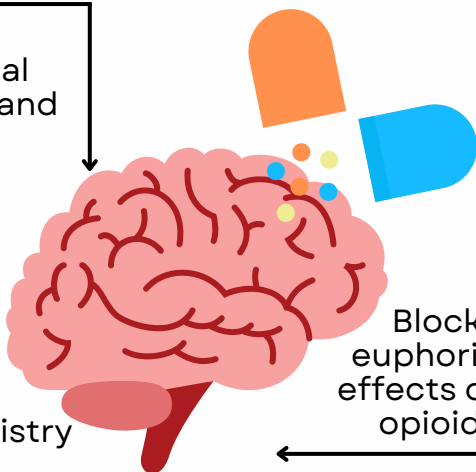
There are three medications approved by the FDA:

buprenorphine
methadone
naltrexone

How it Works

Relieves
physiological
symptoms and
withdrawal

Normalizes
brain chemistry



Blocks
euphoric
effects of
opioids

MOUD Facts

MOUD is an evidence-based treatment, **NOT a substitution of one addiction** with another.

MOUD is not a short-term fix; effective treatment **can be long-term or even lifelong.**

MOUD **does not impair parenting** capacity when taken as prescribed.

Court-ordered discontinuation of MOUD can be **dangerous**, unless supported by the treating provider, and violates state and federal laws.