

[1. Pharmacotherapy treatment - health.vic.- Victoria State Government](https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/health.vic.-Victoria-State-Government)

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drugs/aod-treatment-services/pharmacotherapy-
for-aod-treatment](https://www2.health.vic.gov.au/health.vic.-Victoria-State-Government) [Tweet](#)

5 out of 5 stars

Australia, VIC Creator: Victoria State

Government Last reviewed: 31/01/2019

Review: Pharmacotherapy is one of the six treatment streams available for clients with heroin or opioid dependence in Victoria. It is usually prescribed by general practitioners or nurse practitioners who have been trained to prescribe. Trained community-based pharmacists usually dispense pharmacotherapy. Clients can access pharmacotherapy through DirectLine, catchment-based intake and assessment services and primary-care providers. Specialist pharmacotherapy services are available for people with complex medical, comorbidity or mental health problems. Additional documents available for medical personnel including the 'Policy for maintenance pharmacotherapy for opioid dependence'. This is the Victorian Government's information page about pharmacotherapy and available treatment options in Victoria.

Tags: [Comorbidity](#), [Databases](#), [Heroin](#), [Medical](#), [Mental health](#), [Pharmacotherapy](#), [Policy](#), [Service directories](#)

[2. Penington Institute](#)

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5 out of 5 stars

Australia, VIC Creator: Penington Institute

Last reviewed: 11/07/2018

Review: Raises awareness and promotes policy and practices within a whole of community approach to prevent and reduce harm associated with problematic drug use. Links to eHealth resources, news and bulletins. A good site for medical professionals or AOD counsellors looking for information to use with consumers, carers or families. The site includes interesting video clips with practical information about the use of pharmacotherapy products to help overcome the effects of heroin overdose.

Tags: [Addiction](#), [Communities](#), [Education](#), [eHealth](#), [Events](#), [Harm reduction](#), [Heroin](#), [Medical](#), [News](#), [Overdose](#), [Pharmacotherapy](#), [Policy](#), [Prevention](#), [Professionals](#), [Resources](#), [Strategy](#), [Workplaces](#)

[3. National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome](#)

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5 out of 5 stars

USA Creator: National Organization on Fetal Alcohol Syndrome Last reviewed:

11/01/2018

Review: An information portal for parents to raise awareness of the harms associated with alcohol use during pregnancy, and for families who care for children with foetal alcohol syndrome.

Information is current, internationally relevant and provides practical, helpful tips for managing developmental delays and behavioural issues associated with the syndrome. Research cited includes material developed in Australia.

Resources and weekly 'roundup' which features the latest news, research, policy updates, resources, and other highlights related to foetal alcohol spectrum disorders. The site has bonus links to research with American Indigenous populations and harms associated the prenatal exposure to heroin, cannabis, tobacco and other substances.

Tags: [Alcohol](#), [Cannabis](#), [Children](#), [Consumers](#), [Disabilities](#), [Foetal alcohol spectrum](#), [Harm reduction](#), [Heroin](#), [Information](#), [News](#), [Parents](#), [Pregnancy](#), [Research](#), [Tobacco](#)

[4. Buprenorphine - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration \(SAMHSA\)](#)

<http://www.samhsa.gov/medication-assisted-treatment/treatment/buprenorphine> [Tweet](#)

5 out of 5 stars

USA Creator: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) Last reviewed: 14/08/2017

Review: Extensive overview on the use of buprenorphine as an opioid partial agonist used in the treatment of and withdrawal from heroin.

Access to treatment guidelines relevant links and answers to frequently asked questions. Targeted information and reports for physicians and researchers.

Tags: [Addiction](#), [Clinical guidelines](#), [Heroin](#), [Information](#), [Medical](#), [Pharmacotherapy](#), [Professionals](#), [Research](#)

[5. European Opiate Addiction Treatment Association \(Europad\)](#)

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4 out of 5 stars

Europe Creator: European Opiate Addiction Treatment Association (Europad) Last reviewed: 31/10/2018

Review: Focuses on substitution therapy and promoting effective opiate treatment for people who are dependent on drugs and their families. Supports research into effective treatment of opiate dependence and communicates results through their official journal, 'Heroin Addiction and Related Clinical Problems'. Provides a list of relevant international professional events and extensive links.

Tags: [Addiction](#), [Events](#), [Heroin](#), [Journals](#), [Pharmacotherapy](#), [Professional development](#), [Professionals](#), [Rehab](#), [Research](#)

[6. Medication-Assisted Treatment - Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services](#)

[Administration](#)

<http://www.samhsa.gov/medication-assisted-treatment> [Tweet](#)

4 out of 5 stars

USA Creator: Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration Last reviewed: 02/10/2018

Review: Provides a comprehensive overview of the use of pharmacotherapy in the treatment of substance disorders, particularly heroin and alcohol addiction interventions. Strong support for, advocacy and training is offered for medical professionals in being upskilled in combination medical/counselling treatments. Access to clinical guidelines, research data and US legislation criteria related to the pharmacotherapy treatment of addiction. There are also resources and publications including, a very good PDF publication for families and friends - "Medication-Assisted Treatment for Opioid Addiction: Facts for Families and Friends".

Tags: [Advocacy](#), [Alcohol](#), [Clinical guidelines](#), [Comorbidity](#), [Consumers](#), [Counselling](#), [Education](#), [Families](#), [Heroin](#), [Information](#), [Medical](#), [Mental health](#), [Pharmacotherapy](#), [Professionals](#), [Rehab](#)

[7. Suboxone - Indivior Inc](#)

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4 out of 5 stars

International Creator: Indivior Inc Last reviewed: 04/05/2018

Review: Suboxone (buprenorphine and naloxone) is a pharmacotherapy treatment option for people who use drugs and have an opioid (heroin or pharmaceutical opioid) addiction or dependence. This site provides clinical guidance for both medical professionals and people who use drugs. The overview of contraindications and tips for maximising the effectiveness of the treatment is particularly helpful. The overview can also be used as a guide for consumers for questions to be asked of pharmacists or medical practitioners who are prescribing pharmacotherapy treatments.

Tags: [Addiction](#), [Clinical guidelines](#), [Harm reduction](#), [Heroin](#), [Medical](#), [People who use drugs](#), [Pharmacotherapy](#), [Professionals](#)

[8. Clinical guidelines and procedures for the use of methadone in the maintenance treatment of opioid dependence](#)

<http://www.health.gov.au/internet/main/publishing.nsf/Content/phd-illicit-methadone-cguide> [Tweet](#)

4 out of 5 stars

Australia Creator: Australian Government - Department of Health Last reviewed: 15/01/2018

Review: Clinical guidelines for use by medical personnel when providing pharmacotherapy options, in particular methadone treatments, for people with a dependence on heroin. This resource provides good detail about side-effects and expected results. It is recommended MIMS is cross-referenced for current dosage recommendations.

Tags: [Clinical guidelines](#), [Heroin](#), [Medical](#), [Pharmacotherapy](#)

[9. Drug and Alcohol Service Directory - NSW Government - Health - Northern Sydney Local Health District](#)

<http://www.nslhd.health.nsw.gov.au/Services/Directory/Pages/Drug-Alcohol.aspx> [Tweet](#)

3 out of 5 stars

Australia, NSW Creator: NSW Government - Health - Northern Sydney Local Health District Last reviewed: 19/10/2018

Review: Service directory detailing government-supported drug and alcohol, comorbidity and mental health services in the northern Sydney region. Included are links for involuntary programs, detox units, drug diversion, heroin treatment programs, outreach and assessment connections, counselling services, and support targeted towards youth.

Tags: [Assessment](#), [Comorbidity](#), [Detox](#), [Government](#), [Heroin](#), [Mental health](#), [Outreach](#), [Rehab](#), [Service directories](#), [Youth](#)

[10. Geopium](#)

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2 out of 5 stars

International Creator: Geopium Last

reviewed: 18/01/2018

Review: Articles written in English and French by Dr Pierre-Arnaud Chouvy about the geopolitics of illicit drugs in Asia. His work, through the Centre National de la Recherche Scientifique (National Centre for Scientific Research) based in France, relates to the production and trafficking of opiates (opium, morphine, heroin) in the 'Golden Triangle' (Burma, Laos, Thailand) and 'Golden Crescent' (Afghanistan, Iran, Pakistan) areas.

Tags: [Heroin](#), [Multicultural](#), [Policy](#), [Research](#)

