



OUD Treatment Fellowship ECHO® Program for Practicing Providers

Carle Addiction Recovery Center

Fellowship Program Director: James Besante, MD

The purpose of this nine-month fellowship program is to train Illinois primary care providers (physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants) in the assessment and treatment of opioid use disorders (OUD). The goal of the nine-month program is to increase access to opioid use disorder treatment services in six specific counties of Illinois (Champaign, McLean, Ford, Livingston, Iroquois, and Vermillion) that currently have very limited or no access to medications for addiction treatment. Therefore, providers from these six counties will receive priority for admission. The training will provide clinical guidance, technical support around the clinical workflows, policies, and protocols to ensure compliance with clinical standards, and training in evidence-based practice.

Eligible participants must commit to three requirements:

1. They must fully attend the interactive **ONLINE** Weekend Immersion Course on **July 24 and 25, 2021** (Sat: 8:00-5:00, Sun: 8:45-3:30). Throughout the weekend, participants will be asked to work collaboratively via Zoom as they engage in didactics, discuss challenging cases, and gain practice with specific tools. All training sessions will be guided by a multidisciplinary team of faculty (e.g., family medicine, addiction medicine, addiction psychiatry, emergency medicine, toxicology, education) with different training backgrounds (e.g., MD, NP, PhD). Participants must have access to a computer with video capabilities, a stable internet connection, and a quiet environment during the weekend course. Given that this training is designed to be interactive, participants must commit to turning on their computer's video to ensure effective collaboration.
2. After completing the Weekend Immersion Course, participants must attend **at least twenty** weekly webinars on **Wednesdays, 12pm-1pm** (starting 9/8/21 and ending 4/6/22). During this webinar [series](#), each fellow will present and receive feedback on a case (of a patient for whom the fellow prescribed buprenorphine) and participate in additional didactics on topics not covered during the weekend immersion.
3. Participants must have completed a waiver training **prior** to attending the Weekend Immersion Course (or have already obtained a buprenorphine waiver through a waiver training). We require participants to complete a waiver training so that all fellows (a) have the same baseline knowledge and (b) hold a buprenorphine waiver that allows them to prescribe to more than 30 patients. The free PCSS online waiver trainings are 8 hours for physicians and 24 hours for NPs and PAs and can be found here:
 MD/DO- <https://learning.pcssnow.org/p/onlinematwaiver>
 NP- <https://pcssnow.org/medication-assisted-treatment/waiver-training-for-nps/>
 PA- <https://pcssnow.org/medication-assisted-treatment/waiver-training-for-pas/>

Throughout the fellowship, participants will have access to expert faculty and senior fellows for ongoing educational information and individual case discussions. Participants will also have the opportunity to shadow faculty or senior fellows if they are interested.

Apply here by June 18, 2021: <https://carle.surveymonkey.com/r/5S67XC9>

Who Should Apply?	Illinois Physicians MD/DO, Advance Practice Nurses, and Physician Assistants
When?	Weekend Immersion Course: July 24-25, 2021 (Sat: 8:00-5:00, Sun: 8:45-3:30) Weekly ECHO® Webinars - Wednesdays, 12pm-1pm (9/8/21 –4/6/22)
Where?	Online (Zoom Platform)
Why?	Learn evidence-based treatment that is shown to reduce opioid-related and all-cause mortality.
What Will Fellows Receive?	•Approximately 30 Hours of CME •Up to \$2,000 Training Reimbursement* *Reimbursement paid in four installments: \$500 for completion of training weekend, \$500 for attending at least twenty webinars, \$500 for presenting a case of a patient for whom the fellow prescribed buprenorphine, and \$500 for expanding practice to include at least five patients with OUD.