

## Education Opportunities:

### Treatment and Management of Patients with Opioid or Other Substance Use Disorders

The following information has been curated to help COPIC insureds find accredited trainings regarding the treatment and management of patients with opioid or other substance use disorders.

Please note:

- Many of the CME courses provided by these organizations are **free**
- These courses are from organizations outside of COPIC and do not qualify for COPIC points

**Read the DEA letter sent to practitioners answering FAQs around the eight-hours of education requirement:**

[https://deadiversion.usdoj.gov/pubs/docs/MATE\\_Training\\_Letter\\_Final.pdf](https://deadiversion.usdoj.gov/pubs/docs/MATE_Training_Letter_Final.pdf)

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Below are accredited organizations that may provide trainings that meet this new requirement:

- The American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM)—27 hours, *many are free*  
<https://www.asam.org/education/dea-education-requirements>
- The American Academy of Addiction Psychiatry (AAAP)—100s of hours, *most are not free to non-members*  
<https://www.aaap.org/education/educational-opportunities/>
- American Medical Association (AMA)—36 hours, *most are free*  
<https://edhub.ama-assn.org/course/302>
- The American Osteopathic Association (AOA), or any organizations accredited by the AOA to provide continuing medical education  
<https://thedo.osteopathic.org/columns/the-extinct-x-waiver-what-every-do-should-know-about-the-future-of-opioid-use-disorder-management/>
- The American Dental Association (ADA)—10 hours, *most are free*  
[https://www.ada.org/-/media/project/ada-organization/ada/ada-org/files/resources/practice/legal-and-regulatory/faq\\_mate-act.pdf](https://www.ada.org/-/media/project/ada-organization/ada/ada-org/files/resources/practice/legal-and-regulatory/faq_mate-act.pdf)
- The American Association of Nurse Practitioners (AANP)—multiple courses, *most are low-cost*  
<https://aanp.inreachce.com/>
- The American Academy of Physician Associates (AAPA)—20+ hours, *many are free*
  1. <https://www.aapa.org/news-central/2023/04/new-dea-requirement-for-registered-practitioners-to-complete-sud-oud-training-to-take-effect-june-27/>
  2. [https://cme.aapa.org/local/catalog/view/faceted\\_search.php?page=1&pagesize=10&pagingcount=153](https://cme.aapa.org/local/catalog/view/faceted_search.php?page=1&pagesize=10&pagingcount=153)

- The American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC)—10+ hours, *most are fee-based*  
<https://www.nursingworld.org/continuing-education/>
- Any other organization accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) or the Commission for Continuing Education Provider Recognition (CCEPR), whether directly or through an organization accredited by a state medical society that is recognized by the ACCME or CCEPR.
- Any other organization approved or accredited by the Assistant Secretary for Mental Health and Substance Use, the ACCME, or the CCEPR.

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### **COPIC On-Demand Courses**

The following on-demand courses are available on the [Courses and Seminars page](#) of COPIC's website. Insureds can take these courses, but they will need a COPIC website username and password to access them. Visit the [Login page](#) to sign in or you can submit information for login credentials or retrieve your password on this same page.

### **COPIC'S Three-Hour Opioids Review (Education for DEA Training Requirements)**

This activity is specifically designed to cover topics in the DEA requirements around training on treatment and management of patients with opioid use disorder (OUD). This extensive course outlines the extent and some of the causes of the opioid crisis in the US. It additionally covers both office and prescriber roles in treating and managing patients with OUD including tapering protocols and appropriate clinical use of medically assisted treatment (MAT). The course also highlights the role of the interprofessional team in the management of their patients.

#### **Objectives:**

- Demonstrate an understanding of best practices around use of opioids and how to access and utilize CDC and other national organization recommendations for providing pain care.
- Discuss the history of the opioid crisis in the US and why it continues to be a leading cause of morbidity and mortality.
- Articulate measures to individualize pain management for a specific patient's pain type and anticipated duration of pharmaceutical interventions.
- Discuss common signs of OUD and articulate some methods of medically assisted treatment for management.

Length: 3 hours

COPIC points: 3

CME credits: 3

**Opioid Management: A Practical Approach to a National Crisis (Opioids I)**

This course focuses primarily on educating providers about the history and extent of the opioid crisis in the US and instructs prescribers about how to approach care to help reduce the crisis. It describes the regulatory guidance, indications, contraindications, best practice in usage of prescribing and managing opioids, and highlights the role of the interprofessional team in the management of their patients.

## Objectives:

- Demonstrate an understanding of how to access and utilize CDC recommendations for clinicians providing pain care, including those prescribing opioids.
- Discuss the history of the opioid crisis in the US.
- Articulate measures to individualize pain management for a specific patient's pain type and anticipated duration.
- Discuss common signs of OUD.

Length: One hour

COPIC points: 1

CME credits: 1

**Opioid Crisis: Strategies for Reducing the Burden (Opioids II)**

This activity is complementary to other opioid courses, but it also stands alone in teaching about the current opioid crisis in the US and how to help compassionately and effectively care for patients on chronic opioids or with opioid use disorder (OUD). While addressing these issues, the course describes the regulatory guidance, indications, contraindications, best practice in usage of prescribing and managing opioids, and highlights the role of the interprofessional team in the management of their patients.

## Objectives:

- Discuss the history of the opioid crisis in the US.
- Demonstrate an understanding of how to use opioids chronically.
- Discuss common signs of OUD.
- Describe what to do when you diagnose OUD.

Length: 36 minutes

COPIC points: 1

CME credits: 1