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DEPARTMENT: CLINICAL	
SUBJECT: MAT Coordination of Care with Healdsburg ED	

PROTOCOL: These guidelines outline the coordination of care of patients inducted on buprenorphine in the ED with Alliance Medical Center MAT program.

PURPOSE: This protocol outlines the guidelines for collaboration between the Healdsburg Emergency Department and Alliance Medical Center MAT program for a smooth transition of care.

SCOPE: Medical and Behavioral Health providers

PROCEDURE(S):

Patient Needing ED Based Induction

1. When an AMC provider has a patient currently going through opiate withdrawal and who needs to be inducted into the MAT program the Healdsburg ED can prescribe the first dose of buprenorphine pending a follow-up appointment with an AMC waived provider.
2. The AMC provider will call the attending ED provider to make sure that they can receive the patient in the ED.
3. The AMC provider will then fax over the patient's Problem List and medications and have the patient schedule a follow-up visit at AMC the next business day with a waived medical provider. If a waived provider is not available, the appointment is to be made with any other medical provider who will consult with a waived provider by phone.
4. The patient will then be directed to the ED for induction.

Post- Induction

1. The ED will call to notify AMC that they inducted a patient who will come to AMC for follow-up care.
2. If it is after-hours the ED will leave a message with the answering service.
3. These messages will be relayed the next business morning to the Behavioral Health Counselor working with the MAT program.
4. If the patient is seeing a non-waived provider, that doctor will coordinate care and the calling in of a follow-up prescription with a waived provider on staff.
5. Questions around insurance, referrals and other follow-up issues will be managed by the Behavioral Health Counselor.
6. Patients not AMC affiliated or who have private insurance will be referred to their clinic or health plan for follow-up care.