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Nevada Medicaid Web Announcement 3112

Attention Provider Types 20 (Physician, M.D., Osteopath, D.O.), 24 (Advanced Practice Registered Nurse), 74 (Nurse Midwife) and 77 (Physician Assistant):

Removal of DEA X-Waiver for Prescribing Buprenorphine

This web announcement supersedes [Web Announcement 2541](#).

On December 29, 2022, Congress signed the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2023 (the Act) into law, which eliminated the DATA-Waiver (X-Waiver) Program. The passing of the Act removed patient limits for prescribing providers, X-Waiver enrollment requirements for providers, and required provider training. On January 12, 2023, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) and the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) announced the immediate elimination of the X-Waiver for prescribing buprenorphine.

This guidance applies to the following eligible provider types (PT):

- Physicians (PT 20)
- Advance Practice Registered Nurses (PT 24)
- Nurse Midwives (PT 74)
- Physician Assistants (PT 77)

To align current Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) policy with the updated guidance, the Division of Health Care Financing and Policy (DHCFP) presented and approved updates to [Medicaid Services Manual \(MSM\) Chapter 3800 Medication Assisted Treatment](#) at the May 30, 2023, Public Hearing.

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