

# Medication for Opioid Use Disorder

RCORP Mentoring Program



**Substance Misuse and Addiction  
Resource for Tennessee**

An Initiative of the UT Institute for Public Service

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**Purpose:**  
Expand access to medication  
assisted treatment services through  
clinical training and mentoring of  
future providers

# MOUD Mentoring Program Objectives

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1. Perform comprehensive client assessments to include individual needs and available resources for substance use disorders.
2. Use evidence-based resources to develop a treatment plan to include both pharmacological and non-pharmacological interventions that meet the individual needs of the client.
3. Collaborate with a multi-disciplinary team to ensure that the client's physical, medical, and psychosocial needs are met.
4. Identify and implement best practices for routine monitoring, evaluation, and adjustment of client treatment plans.
5. Adhere to Tennessee legislation guiding the treatment of substance use disorders in outpatient settings.

# Participant Requirements

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Carry professional liability insurance

Complete 40 hours at clinical site with MD, DO, PA, NP

Complete a 2-4 hour harm reduction volunteer session



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# Mentoring Sites

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## **Cedar Recovery – South and East Knoxville locations**

- MD, FNP, PMHNP, PA
- buprenorphine, naltrexone

## **New Hope Treatment Center – Newport**

- FNP, MD (medical director)
- methadone, buprenorphine, naltrexone



## **Choice Health Network – Knoxville or Newport locations**

## **Live Free Claiborne – Tazewell**



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# Program Mentees

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NPs

## 4 Psych/Mental Health NPs – UTK College of Nursing

- 3 CR South
- 1 CR South and New Hope
- 1 CR East (was not able to complete hours)
- 4 Choice Health Network

MDs

## 7 MDs Quillen College of Medicine

- 5 New Hope
- 1 CR South (current retired MD)
- 1 CR East
- 6 Choice Health, 1 Live Free
- 4 Family Medicine, 1 Gastroenterology,  
1 Emergency Medicine, 1 Undetermined



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# Approved Clinical Activities

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**75% of the onsite hours must be with the prescribing provider**

Observing or assisting with methadone dispensing

Observing counseling sessions

Observing practice director tasks

Observing intake staff

Observing/assisting lab technicians or nursing staff



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# Sustainability, Expansion, and Barriers

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**Sustainability + Expansion = Establishing permanent clinical sites**

## **Barriers:**

- Drug screen, background check, immunizations, TB test, etc.
- Formal agreements with schools and clinics
- Required credentials of providers
- Independence / hands on experience requirements
- Trainings/forms needed from providers



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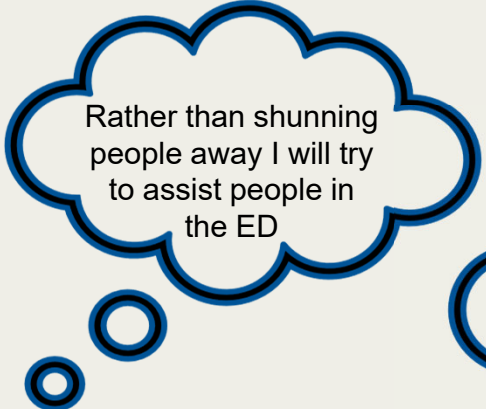


# Mentee Feedback - Clinical Sites


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100% of program participants reported value and gained knowledge

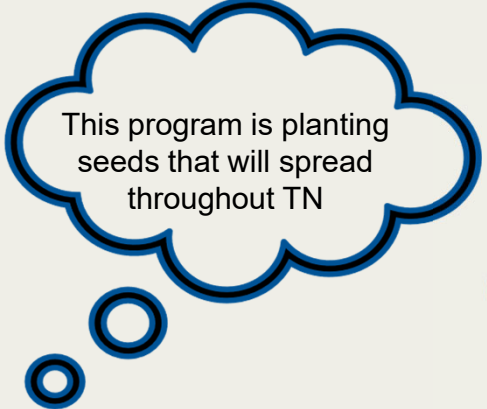
3 MD students reported desire for more independence



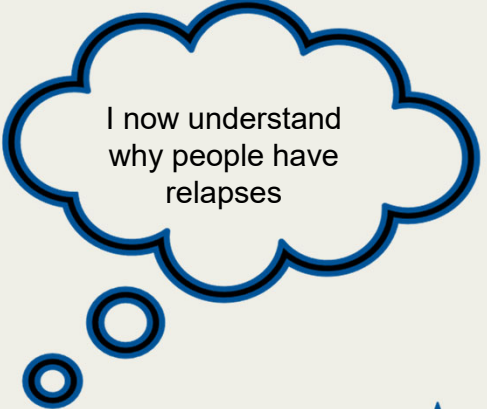
Rather than shunning people away I will try to assist people in the ED



I will carry their stories forward when talking to other people



This program is planting seeds that will spread throughout TN



I now understand why people have relapses

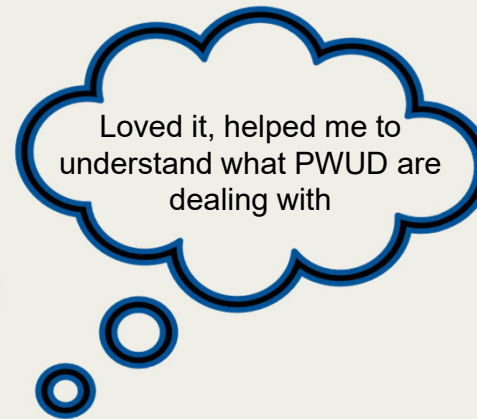


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# Mentee Feedback – Harm Reduction Sites

100% of program participants reported value and gained knowledge  
2 reported desire to return to volunteer in the future



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# For Additional Questions or Assistance

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