



Interprofessional OUD ECHO® for Illinois Healthcare Teams

Cohort 5

Rush University Medical Center

The purpose of the **Interprofessional OUD ECHO®** program is to offer continued learning opportunities about the assessment and treatment of opioid use disorders (OUD) for healthcare teams that are already prescribing buprenorphine to patients in Illinois. This five-month program will be led by an interprofessional team of subject matter experts (prescribers, social workers, counselors, peer recovery coaches, nurses, medical assistants, case managers, pharmacists, etc.) who will help the healthcare team’s members better understand how to effectively work together to provide the highest quality of care to patients with OUD. This training opportunity is funded by the Illinois Substance Use Prevention and Recovery (SUPR) to increase access to Medication-Assisted Recovery (MAR) in Illinois.

Learning Objectives. By the end of the Interprofessional OUD ECHO® Program, participants will be able to:

- (1) Build processes and workflows that allow their healthcare team to deliver OUD treatment services and linkages to other services as available
- (2) Incorporate harm reduction philosophies and principles into their healthcare team’s treatment of patients living with OUD
- (3) Strengthen their healthcare team’s ability to collaboratively provide the highest quality of care to patients with opioid use disorder (OUD)

Disclosure Statement (nothing to disclose). The course director(s), planner(s), faculty and reviewer(s) of this activity have no relevant financial relationship(s) with ineligible companies to disclose.

Who Should Apply?

Teams who apply must be comprised of at least **one** Illinois provider (i.e., Physician, Advance Practice Nurse or Physician Assistant) **who is already prescribing buprenorphine**, as well as at least **one** member from their support team who is not a provider (i.e., social worker, counselor, peer recovery coach, nurse, medical assistant, case manager, pharmacist, information tech, receptionist, etc.). The maximum team size is **seven** members. Eligible teams must commit to these three requirements:

- 1. Team members are expected to attend **at least eight** of the ten twice-a-month ECHO® sessions on the 2nd and 4th **Thursdays, 12pm-1pm** (starting 6/26/25 and ending 11/13/25). See the schedule [here](#).
- 2. Each healthcare team must prepare at least one patient case and present it during one of the ten ECHO® sessions. The team will be asked to develop key case questions so that they can receive constructive feedback from the other ECHO® participants and the subject matter expert team.
- 3. During the ten ECHO® sessions, team members will be asked to work collaboratively via Zoom as they engage in didactics (15 minutes per session) and discuss challenging cases (45 minutes per session). Participants must have access to computers with video capabilities and stable internet connections. Given that this training is designed to be interactive, participants must commit to turning on their computer’s video to ensure effective collaboration.

What Incentives Can Team Members Receive?

According to the accreditation and designation statements on the next page, each participating team member can earn up to 10 hours of continuing education credit.

Apply here for the Interprofessional OUD ECHO® Cohort 5 by May 31, 2025

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Accreditation and Designation Statements

Accreditation Statement

In support of improving patient care, Rush University Medical Center is jointly accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME), the Accreditation Council for Pharmacy Education (ACPE), and the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), to provide continuing education for the healthcare team.

Credit Designation Statements

For Medicine:

Rush University Medical Center designates this Internet live activity for a maximum of 10.00 *AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)*TM. Physicians should claim only credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Successful completion of this CME activity, which includes participation in the evaluation component, enables the learner to earn credit toward the CME of the American Board of Surgery's Continuous Certification program. It is the CME activity provider's responsibility to submit learner completion information to ACCME for the purpose of granting ABS credit.

For Nursing:

Rush University Medical Center designates this Internet live activity for a maximum of 10.00 nursing contact hour(s).

For Pharmacy:

Rush University Medical Center designates this knowledge-based Internet live activity for a maximum of 10.00 contact hour(s) for pharmacists.

For Social Work:

As a Jointly Accredited Organization, Rush University Medical Center is approved to offer social work continuing education by the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) Approved continuing education (ACE) program. Organizations, not individual courses, are approved under this program. Regulatory boards are the final authority on courses accepted for continuing education credit. Social workers completing this course receive 10.00 general continuing education credits.



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