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Florida Medicaid Health Care Alert

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Provider Type(s): All Medication Assisted Treatment in Pregnancy Provider Alert

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Our nation is currently facing an unprecedented opioid epidemic. On May 3, 2017, the State of Florida declared a public health state of emergency in response to the opioid epidemic. The Agency for Health Care Administration has made ongoing efforts to increase access to opiate addiction treatment and implement limitations on opiate prescribing based on the Center for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines. One subset of the population facing the opioid epidemic is pregnant women.

Florida Medicaid has implemented the following edits to ensure Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) in pregnancy is accessible.

- Automatic approval that allows MAT therapy if a Florida Medicaid recipient has a diagnosis of opioid use disorder and pregnancy in the Florida Medicaid database.
- Pharmacy level override if the diagnosis of opioid use disorder and pregnancy is provided on the prescription.
- Call center capability of entering approval override via phone request.

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