

## Expanding Access to Buprenorphine in Primary Care

Request for Proposals (RFP)

## Issued by Public Health Solutions on behalf of the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene

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## **Contract Awards**

Community Healthcare Network
ICL Healthcare Choices
La Casa De Salud, Inc.
Montefiore Medical Center
Brightpoint Health
HHC Gotham Health FQHC, Inc.
Wyckoff Heights Medical Center

**Background and Purpose**: The New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DOHMH) developed this RFP in collaboration with Public Health Solutions because of the existing barriers to accessible buprenorphine in general practice settings. Additionally, medication-assisted treatment, such as buprenorphine or methadone, is effective and achieves reduced mortality and better health and social outcomes more so than treatment without these medications for opioid use disorder and overdose, thus it's in the interest of DOHMH to make such treatments more readily available in the community. This RFP funds contractors to address barriers and expand access to buprenorphine in primary care settings.

Contractors awarded from this RFP, listed above, are tasked with activities including:

- Expanding access to buprenorphine treatment in general practice settings
- Increasing the number of primary care physicians who are trained and waivered to prescribe buprenorphine
- Increasing the number of patients receiving buprenorphine in primary care for treatment of an opioid use disorder
- Demonstrating effectiveness of using a Nurse Care Manager in primary care to coordinate buprenorphine treatment

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