**Breaking News!!!**

HHS has announced that it will be publishing guidelines on the administration of Buprenorphine in an effort to expand the use of medication-assisted treatment (MAT) in combating the Opioid Use Disorder. Scientific evidence has proven that MAT is the gold standard in treating Opioid Use Disorder as it significantly reduces the chances of relapse, and the new guidelines are aimed at making it easier for physicians to use MAT by waiving some certification requirements for an X-waiver. These new guidelines come after drug overdose deaths rose by 21% during 2019-2020 from the previous year. More information on HHS’ new guidelines can be found at <https://www.hhs.gov/about/news/2021/01/14/hhs-expands-access-to-treatment-for-opioid-use-disorder.html>.