

Long-Acting Injectable (LAI) Buprenorphine for Opioid Use Disorder (OUD)

The LAI Advantage.

Overview What is Long-Acting Buprenorphine?

Next-generation formulation that releases buprenorphine over an extended period of time, enabling sustained therapeutic levels to be maintained without daily dosing.^{1,2}

Meeting the Need

- Enables disease management vs. crisis-based care^{1,2,3,4}
- Creates savings from lower overdose rates, fewer hospitalizations, and reduced recidivism⁵
- Addresses low treatment retention^{1,4,6}
- Reduces burden of daily visits or doses^{1,3,7}
- Blocks rewarding effects of opioids (including fentanyl)⁸
- Reduces risk of diversion^{2,9}

Patients and Communities Benefit from Using LAIs as a Primary Care Option

Patients with OUD show improved adherence and treatment satisfaction with LAI formulations.^{4,7,10}

Number of Treatment Days is Reduced with Use of Monthly LAIs³

Max Dose*



365
doses/year



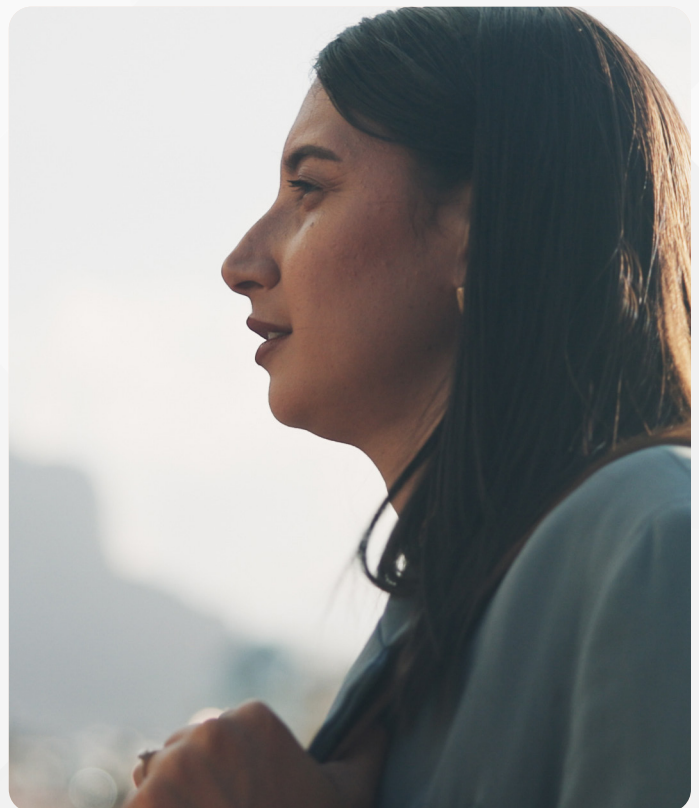
Min Dose*



10-12
doses/year

Illustrative comparison of typical dosing schedules for orally-administered medicines and monthly LAIs.

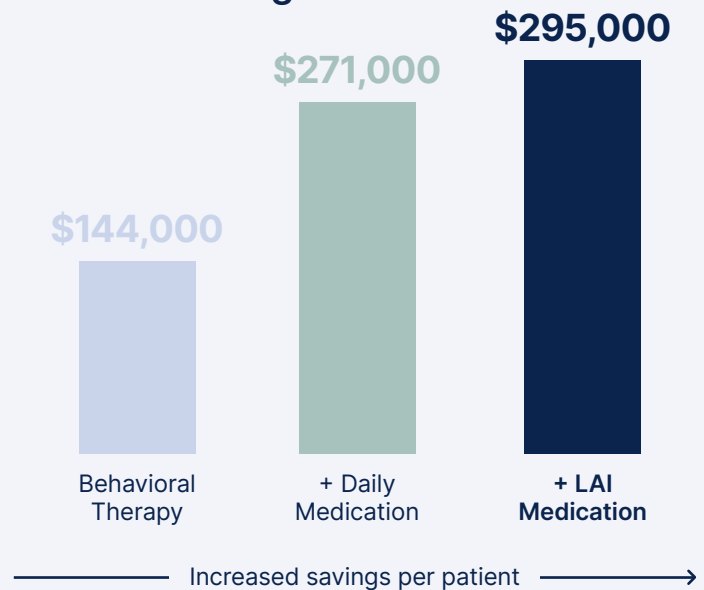
*Possible for patients to dose oral treatments more than once per day.



Why LAIs Fit Well in Criminal Justice Settings

-  Offers simple medication administration (fewer events) and logistics^{1,3,5,7,11}
-  Supports individuals through custody transitions^{6,9}
-  Decreases the risk of diversion^{2,9}
-  Reduces the risk of overdose deaths during high-risk, post-release period^{5,9,11}
-  Blocks rewarding effects of opioids (including fentanyl)⁹
-  Promotes positive re-entry outcomes including employment, relationships, and reduced future justice system involvement^{6,9}

Studies Show Cost Savings from Combining Medical Therapy with Behavioral Programs¹²



Broadening access to long-acting injectable buprenorphine strengthens public health outcomes and improves chances for long-term recovery.

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