Guide to taking Suboxone®

SUBOXONE® (BUPRENORPHINE-NALOXONE 8/2MG SL FILM) (SUB-OX-OWN)

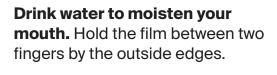
It is important that you follow the guide below. Taking Suboxone before you begin to experience the symptoms below can result in worse withdrawal.

Before

IT COULD TAKE
BETWEEN 6-72
HOURS BEFORE
THESE WITHDRAWAL
SYMPTOMS BEGIN.

Check **at least 3** of the following feelings before taking your first dose of Suboxone®: →

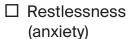
The worse you feel when you begin the medication, the less chance of a worse withdrawal.



Place Suboxone® Film under your tongue, close to the base, either to the left or right of the center.









☐ Stomach cramps, nausea, vomiting, or diarrhea.







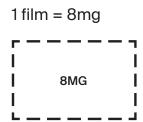






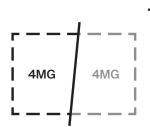
Day 1:

MAXIMUM DOSE OF 12 MG (1 ½ FILM) ON DAY 1.



First dose = 4mg ($\frac{1}{2}$ film).

Take 4 mg (½ film) extra every 3 hours until feeling normal.



→Write in:

On Day 1, my total dose was:

Day 2:

MAXIMUM DOSE OF 16MG (2 FILMS) ON DAY 2 ONLY IF NEEDED. Take the total dose you wrote from Day 1 as a first time dose in the morning.

If breakthrough withdrawal symptoms occur within 3 hours after the initial morning dose on Day 2, take 4mg (½ film shown above) every 3 hours until feeling normal.



On Day 2, my total dose was:

Day 3:

AND BEYOND.

Take the total dose you wrote from Day 2 as a first time

dose in the morning.

DURING WEEK 1, THE MAXIMUM DAILY DOSE IS 16MG.

Important:

It takes about 4 days of using Suboxone® at the same dose to find the **right dose for you.**

After the first week, dosing adjustments **must be discussed** with your healthcare provider.