

## **X-Waiver/Data 2000 Waiver**

Advanced practice registered nurses (APRNs) with prescriptive authority (currently offered to nurse practitioners and certified nurse midwives in Nebraska) may qualify for an X-Waiver to prescribe Buprenorphine through the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). The X-Waiver, or DATA 2000 Waiver, was established by the federal Drug Abuse Treatment Act (DATA) in 2000.

Advanced practice registered nurse prescribers may obtain a waiver for up to 30 patients without the completion of training previously required prior to April 2021. Prescribers intending to prescribe to more than 30 patients (up to 100 patients), are required to complete 24 hours of training through SAMHSA Providers Clinical Support System (PCSS).

For information regarding the application process and training requirements, please visit the following links:

[SAMHSA | Become a Buprenorphine Waivered Practitioner](#)

[PCSS | X-Waiver Training](#)

[SAMHSA | Buprenorphine Waiver Notification \(application for X-Waiver\)](#)

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