



## Why Suboxone? The benefits of Medication Assisted Treatment

By

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### **Description of Presentation**

Take a close-up look at the opioid addiction epidemic and its impact. Understand the purpose, process and benefits of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT). Examine misinformation and stigma regarding MAT, and medical doctors who use MAT for exploitation. Leave with understanding of opioid addiction, treatment options and ways to find treatment.

### **Objectives**

- 1) The impact of opioid addiction for the user, family members and community
- 2) An understanding of Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)
- 3) How to use this information in daily practice

### **Bio**

Leslie is “a lifelong learner with plans to learn for a full long life.” She is a LADC and will soon complete the Mental Health (MH) designation of her current license. Leslie has over 20 years of professional experience in the Social Services field, providing diverse services to diverse populations. Leslie has served as Supervisor for Tulsa County Juvenile Bureau, Mental Health Director for the Tulsa County Jail, and Facility Director for the CALM (Child and Adolescent Life Management) Crisis Center in Tulsa. Her experience included the fields of education, juvenile probation, crisis intervention and stabilization, domestic violence intervention services, addiction recovery and co-occurring disorders. Leslie currently has a private practice and offers consulting and therapeutic contract services to opioid recovery treatment centers. Leslie is dedicated to bringing hope and healing to the hearts and souls of those she serves.

