

Induction Case 1:

Monday noon

26 yo F G1P0 at 24 weeks gestation. Has been using illicit opioids IV and is aware that she is likely using fentanyl. Is hospitalized due to withdrawal symptoms and she is placed on the maternity ward. Her last use of IV opioid is about 16 hours prior to visit. Symptoms include nausea, vomiting, diaphoresis (through jonny), aches and pains, insomnia. Signs: heart rate at 110, pupils 5-6 mm; irritable, moving about bed very uncomfortable.

What would you do?

Most would score her with COWS (she scored 20.) She had a udt which was pos for benzo, neg for opioid. (IA)

Discussed MAT options with her and she is not interested in methadone. She does want to try buprenorphine but states she "always gets sick" when she starts the medication. She insists on waiting until she has been opioid free for 24 hours. Requests Ativan.

Comments? Options?

Induction Case 2:

Wednesday 10 am

65 yo M hx of being on methadone for past 5-6 years. Has done well but his insurance changed and he can no longer afford the clinic as they don't take his new insurance. He has been weaning off methadone because of this. Denies specific cravings but is concerned that he might develop symptoms once he is off altogether. Dose was up to 100 mg at one point but was reduced to 60 mg for most of his treatment. He states that he is now down to 33 mg and his last dose was at 6 this a.m.

What would you do?

Induction Case 3:

Tuesday morning 9 am

42 yo F last used perc 30 at 9 pm (insufflation) night prior to visit today. Urine pos for oxycodone and benzos. COWS = 6. Has not ever used buprenorphine in the past and is very anxious and feeling like she is in withdrawal.

Induction Case 4:

Saturday night 9 pm

38 yo M arrives to ED with swelling and pain in arm @ site of injection. States last use was 12 hours prior to visit. Thinks he uses heroin. No fever but erythema and area of purulent drainage of L antecubital area. No hx of infection the past. As soon as he noticed he decided to go cold turkey. He is feeling uncomfortable and pupils are 6 mm with sweat on brow. C/O aching and GI cramping. He has a pcp in town who you know takes care of pt with SUD and has an X waiver.