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Duffy Health Center Launches New Opioid Use Disorder Treatment: Brixadi®

Hyannis, MA – October 9, 2024 – Duffy Health Center is pleased to announce that its Office-Based Addictions Treatment (OBAT) program is preparing to roll out Brixadi®, a new medication for opioid use disorder (OUD). Brixadi® (injectable buprenorphine) is an extended-release injectable medication used to treat opioid use disorder. The benefits of Brixadi® include:

- 1. **Flexible Dosing Options:** Available in both weekly and monthly formulations, Brixadi® allows for tailored treatment plans based on individual patient needs.
- Increased Convenience and Compliance: By reducing the need for daily dosing, Brixadi®
 helps ensure patients remain consistent with their treatment, improving the likelihood
 of long-term success and adherence to treatment.
- 3. **Stability in Recovery:** The extended-release formulation of Brixadi® offers more stable blood levels of buprenorphine, reducing cravings and withdrawal symptoms over a longer period.
- 4. **Discreet and Private Treatment:** As an injectable medication administered in a clinical setting, Brixadi® allows patients to receive effective treatment without the stigma associated with daily medication use/dosing.

"Duffy Health Center is pleased to offer this medication as an alternative treatment for both current and new patients", said Lisa Zandonella-Huhta, M.D., "and the OBAT program at Duffy Health Center is committed to providing the best possible care for individuals with opioid use disorder and other substance use disorders". With the introduction of Brixadi®, Duffy continues to expand its integrated approach to treatment, offering solutions that meet the diverse needs of its patient population.

For more information on Duffy Health Center's OBAT program, please visit https://duffyhealthcenter.org/services/substance-use-disorder-programs/.

About Duffy Health Center:

Duffy Health Center is a Federally Qualified Community Health Center in Hyannis, MA, providing integrated healthcare and support services to individuals and families impacted by homelessness, substance use, and mental health challenges. Duffy Health Center is dedicated



to fostering recovery, promoting wellness, and enhancing the overall well-being of its community.

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