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Abstract

Background: A 2019 U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) report found no consistent evidence that counseling interventions are effective at reducing drug use or improving other health outcomes in populations whose drug use was identified through primary care-based screening (i.e., "screen-detected populations"). Evidence from studies of persons seeking or referred for treatment for substance use or with clinical signs or symptoms of substance use (i.e., "treatment-seeking populations") might also be useful for informing assessments regarding screening in primary care settings.

Purpose: This report updates a 2008 USPSTF report on screening for illicit drug use and supplements a 2019 USPSTF report on screening for any drug use, focusing on the benefits and harms of pharmacotherapy and psychosocial interventions for persons whose drug use was identified when seeking substance use treatment, when presenting with signs or symptoms of drug use, when screened for drug use in primary care or other settings, or other means.

Data Sources: The Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, Ovid MEDLINE, Embase, and PsycINFO from inception to September 2018; surveillance for new literature was conducted through January 2019.

Study Selection: We included trials of Food and Drug Administration (FDA)-approved pharmacotherapies for opioid use disorder (methadone, buprenorphine, and naltrexone) and trials of psychosocial interventions for persons engaging in opioid, stimulant, cannabis, and mixed drug or polysubstance use. We also included trials of preemptive prescribing of naloxone in primary care settings as a rescue medication for opioid-related overdose. Trials compared included interventions against placebo, a minimal intervention, waitlist control, or usual care and evaluated outcomes at \geq 3 months for drug use or other risky behaviors; health, social, and legal consequences of drug use; or harms of treatment.

Data Extraction: One investigator abstracted data and a second investigator checked data abstraction for accuracy. Two investigators independently assessed study quality using methods developed by the USPSTF.

Data Synthesis (Results): We included a total of 71 trials, with 19 trials of pharmacotherapies and 52 trials of psychosocial interventions. All trials of pharmacotherapies and 25 trials of psychosocial interventions were conducted in treatment-seeking populations. Psychosocial interventions commonly incorporated cognitive-behavioral or motivational interventions and ranged from brief interventions consisting of one or two sessions of no more than one hour to multiple treatment sessions over weeks or months. In most pharmacotherapy trials, drug use counseling was provided to all patients. No study evaluated benefits or harms of preemptive naloxone prescribed in primary care settings versus placebo or no naloxone as a rescue medication for opioid-related overdose.

In treatment-seeking populations with opioid use disorder, naltrexone (12 trials; relative risk [RR] 0.73, 95% confidence interval [CI] 0.62 to 0.85; number needed to treat [NNT] 5.3) and opioid agonist therapy with methadone or buprenorphine (4 trials; RR 0.75, 95% CI 0.59 to 0.82;

NNT 2.9) were associated with decreased risk of drug use relapse compared with placebo or no pharmacotherapy. Naltrexone and methadone/buprenorphine therapy were also associated with increased likelihood of retention in substance use treatment (9 trials; RR 1.71, 95% CI 1.13 to 2.49; NNT 6.7 and 7 trials; RR 2.58, 95% CI 1.78 to 4.59; NNT 2.6; respectively). Evidence on harms of pharmacotherapies was limited, but indicated no increased risk of serious adverse events.

Psychosocial interventions were associated with increased likelihood of abstinence from drug use versus control conditions at 3 to 4 months (15 trials, RR 1.60, 95% CI 1.24 to 2.13; NNT 11.1) and at 6 to 12 months (14 trials; RR 1.52, 95% CI 1.14 to 2.04; NNT 11.1), based on trials primarily conducted in treatment-seeking populations. Psychosocial interventions were also associated with a greater decrease versus control conditions in the number of drug use days (19 trials; mean difference -0.48 day in the last 7 days, 95% CI -0.84 to -0.12) and a small but statistically significant greater decrease in drug use severity (16 trials; standard mean difference -0.18, 95% CI -0.32 to -0.05) at 3- to 4-month followup. There was no difference between psychosocial interventions versus controls on drug use days or severity at longer (6 to 12 month) followup. Effects of psychosocial interventions were generally stronger in trials of treatment-seeking than screen-detected populations, trials that evaluated cannabis use than other types of drug use, trials of adults than trials of adolescents or young adults, and trials of more intensive than brief interventions. Few trials evaluated effects of psychosocial interventions for opioid or stimulant use, and estimates were imprecise.

Limitations: Limitations included restriction to English-language articles, statistical heterogeneity in pooled analyses, and little evidence on drug-related health, social, or legal outcomes; most trials had methodological limitations. Evidence was lacking on effectiveness of treatments for opioid use disorder related to prescription drug use, stimulant use, or in pregnant women.

Conclusions: Pharmacotherapy and psychosocial interventions are effective at improving drug use outcomes, but evidence of effectiveness remains primarily derived from trials conducted in treatment-seeking populations. Although the applicability of data from such trials to persons whose drug use is identified through primary care-based screening is uncertain, screening trials indicate that such screening can detect more severe, untreated drug use. The applicability of current evidence on drug use interventions to screening might be greater for the subset of patients screened in primary care settings with severe, untreated drug use who could utilize pharmacotherapies or more intensive psychosocial interventions.

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Chapter 1. Introduction

This report supplements a 2019 review for the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force (USPSTF) on screening for drug use in primary care in adolescents and adults, including pregnant women,¹ focusing on evidence examining the benefits and harms of psychosocial interventions and pharmacotherapy for persons engaging in drug use. The 2019 USPSTF screening review updates a 2008 USPSTF review on screening for illicit drug use.² Like the 2008 USPSTF review, the 2019 screening review addressed the benefits and harms of screening, the accuracy of drug use screening instruments, and the benefits and harms of counseling interventions to reduce drug use detected through screening in primary care settings (referred to in this report as "screendetected").¹ Such patients may have less severe drug use than persons seeking treatment for or referred for treatment of drug use or persons with clinical signs or symptoms of drug use (referred to in this report as "treatment-seeking"); however, symptom severity may overlap between screen-detected and treatment-seeking populations. Unlike the 2008 USPSTF review, the 2019 screening review did not address evidence on interventions among treatment-seeking persons,² because evidence from screen-detected populations is more directly applicable for guiding decisions about screening for drug use in primary care settings. A potential limitation of this approach is that it excludes some evidence on more intensive psychosocial interventions and evidence on the effectiveness of pharmacotherapies, which have been primarily studied in treatment-seeking populations.

This supplemental review focuses on the benefits and harms of counseling and other psychosocial interventions and pharmacotherapies for adolescents, adults, and pregnant women engaging in opioid, cannabis, stimulant, mixed drug, or polysubstance use, expanding the scope from screen-detected individuals to also address effectiveness of interventions in persons who were identified when seeking substance use treatment, when presenting with signs or symptoms of drug use, or through other means. Such evidence might further inform assessments regarding potential benefits and harms of drug use screening in primary care settings, given the variability in drug use severity among patients identified through screening. This supplemental review also differs from the 2008 USPSTF review in that it addresses the benefits and harms of preemptive naloxone prescribed in primary care settings as a rescue medication for treating acute overdose episodes in individuals with opioid use. A separate USPSTF update on drug use prevention in children, adolescents, and young adults through age 25 years is in progress.³

2008 USPSTF Review

The 2008 USPSTF review found fair- to good-evidence that pharmacologic therapy is effective at reducing short-term illicit drug use.² However, 16 of the 17 treatment trials included in the 2008 USPSTF review were conducted among treatment-seeking populations who had already developed health, social, and/or legal problems due to drug use. The exception was one trial which found a brief counseling intervention effective at decreasing opiate and cocaine use among 1,175 screen-detected primary care patients.⁴ In addition, only two of the eight trials of pharmacotherapies included in the 2008 USPSTF review evaluated medications approved by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) for treatment of substance use disorders.^{5,6} The 2008 USPSTF review found limited and less consistent evidence of positive effects of

pharmacotherapies or psychosocial interventions on social, legal, and health outcomes related to drug use. The 2008 USPSTF review also found limited evidence from observational studies conducted outside the United States for an association between stopping or reducing opioid (usually heroin) misuse and long-term improvement in mortality rates; none of the studies examining this association were conducted in screen-detected populations whose drug use was detected in primary care settings. Based on the 2008 review, the USPSTF concluded that the evidence was insufficient to determine the benefits and harms of screening for illicit drug use in primary care settings.⁷

2019 USPSTF Screening Review

The 2019 USPSTF screening review included 27 trials on the effectiveness of psychosocial interventions for drug use in screen-detected populations.¹ Substance use eligibility criteria varied, frequently consisting of self-reported drug use within a specified time-frame (e.g., 30 days to 1 year), or requiring patients to meet a certain threshold score on a screening instruments (e.g., Alcohol, Smoking, and Substance Involvement Screening Test [ASSIST] score \geq 4). No trial required patients to meet the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorder (DSM)-IV criteria for abuse or dependence or DSM-5 criteria for substance use disorder. All but two trials evaluated brief counseling interventions (typically 1 or 2 sessions, less than an hour in duration), often incorporating motivational techniques. No trial evaluated pharmacotherapy.

The 2019 USPSTF screening review found no consistent evidence that psychosocial interventions were effective at reducing drug use at 3- to 12-month followup in screen-detected populations, or at improving health, social, or legal outcomes associated with drug use.¹ Evidence on harms was sparse, but indicated no serious harms associated with counseling interventions. Evidence on the effects of psychosocial interventions about drug use for adolescents, pregnant women, and postpartum women was very limited and also showed no clear benefits. Additional details on the benefits and harms of treatment for drug use in screen-detected populations are available in the full screening review.¹

Interventions to Reduce Drug Use

This supplemental report to the 2019 USPSTF screening review addresses pharmacotherapy and psychosocial interventions to reduce drug use in persons engaging in opioid, cannabis, stimulant, or polysubstance use involving one or more of these drugs.

Currently, the only pharmacotherapies approved by the FDA for treatment of drug use disorders addressed in this report (opioids, cannabis, or stimulants) are opioid agonists, partial agonists, and antagonists for treatment of opioid use disorder. Lofexidine was recently approved by the FDA to mitigate symptoms of abrupt opioid withdrawal. As it is not a treatment for opioid use disorder, it is not addressed in this report. A recent guideline from the Department of Veterans Affairs/Department of Defense (VA/DoD) found insufficient evidence to recommend for or against pharmacotherapy for cannabis use or stimulant use disorder.⁸ Several FDA-approved medications are considered first-line therapy for treatment of opioid use disorder;⁸⁻¹⁰ they are methadone (an opioid agonist), buprenorphine (a partial opioid agonist) with or without naloxone (available in combination with naloxone or as a mono-product, and in sublingual or buccal

administration or extended-release implantable or injectable formulations), and naltrexone (an opioid antagonist, available as an oral or extended-release injectable formulation). In the United States, methadone for treatment of opioid use disorder must be dispensed through a licensed opioid treatment program.¹¹ Buprenorphine and naltrexone can be prescribed in office-based settings as well as dispensed in an opioid treatment program, though additional training and a waiver from the Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) is required for office-based prescribing of buprenorphine. The purpose of medications for opioid use disorder is to block the euphoric and sedating effects of opioids, reduce cravings for opioids, and/or to mitigate symptoms of opioid withdrawal. Medications are used in combination with psychosocial interventions to prevent relapse to opioid use.¹⁰ Use of medications for treatment of opioid use disorder is traditionally referred to as "medication assisted treatment" (MAT). However, experts have suggested that the term "medication assisted" is misleading because it implies that medications play an adjunctive role in treatment for opioid use disorder.^{12,13} Rather, evidence indicates that medications are the main driver of therapeutic effectiveness, with several studies finding no clear differences in the effectiveness between more versus less intensive psychosocial interventions in persons receiving medications for opioid use disorder.^{14,15} A potential alternative to the term "medication assisted treatment" that retains the MAT acronym and does not suggest that medications are a secondary component is "medications for addiction treatment." We used the term "pharmacotherapy" in this report to refer to methadone, buprenorphine, or naltrexone and "opioid agonist therapy" to refer to methadone and buprenorphine.

Psychosocial interventions are used for treatment of various drug use disorders. A recent guideline from the VA/DoD recommends psychosocial interventions for treatment of cannabis use and stimulant disorder.^{8,16} In addition, medications for opioid use disorder are administered in conjunction with psychosocial interventions. Commonly used psychosocial techniques include cognitive-behavioral therapy (CBT), motivational interventions, 12-step facilitation therapy, contingency management, and family interventions. Psychosocial techniques can be combined in a variety of ways. CBT helps individuals to positively address unhealthy drug use behaviors by identifying and correcting maladaptive thought patterns, goal setting, and learning and applying coping strategies. Motivational intervention techniques, such as motivational interviewing (MI) and Motivational Enhancement Therapy (MET), seek to positively impact unhealthy behaviors by eliciting and enhancing motivations to change. Contingency management is based on operant conditioning principles, utilizing an incentive-based approach that rewards behaviors that meet desired outcomes.¹⁶ Twelve-step facilitation therapy focuses on actively engaging individuals in a mutual support group guided based on twelve-step principles. Family interventions actively engage the family and address contributing factors to drug use, such as family communication and conflict, school and work issues, and peer networks. Family interventions are often used for treatment of adolescent substance misuse.¹⁷

Psychosocial interventions range in intensity, from brief interventions (e.g., 1 or 2 to sessions, each lasting less than 1 hour) to more intensive, ongoing treatments (e.g., once or twice weekly sessions for 1 to 2 hours). Brief interventions are usually designed for persons with unhealthy drug use but who do not have more serious substance use (e.g., do not meet DSM-5 criteria for substance use disorder), though these interventions can be a bridge to more intensive therapy in persons who require it.¹⁸ Brief interventions are often designed so that they can be delivered opportunistically in most settings, including primary care, with minimal training. More intensive

psychosocial interventions often require additional training or expertise to deliver.

Naloxone for Risk Mitigation in Persons with Opioid Use Disorder or Misuse

Naloxone is an opioid antagonist that rapidly counteracts the central nervous system and respiratory depressant effects of opioids potentially preventing fatal overdose and mitigating overdose-related harms.¹⁹ Unlike the pharmacotherapies described above, naloxone is preemptively prescribed as a rescue medication for acute overdose events administered by persons witnessing the overdose, not as a treatment for opioid use disorder or misuse. Therefore, it may help mitigate the risks of ongoing opioid use. The American Society of Addiction Medicine recommends, based on consensus opinion, that patients being treated for opioid use disorder and their family members/significant others be given prescriptions for naloxone.⁹ Naloxone can be administered in a number of ways by witnesses to overdose events, including the intravenous, intramuscular, subcutaneous, and intranasal routes. The FDA recently approved new naloxone devices: a handheld intramuscular or subcutaneous auto-injector and a new intranasal formulation and delivery device. Both devices administer a consistent preset dose and are designed for use by individuals regardless of level of health care training. Improvised use of injectable naloxone administered intranasally using an atomizer is also used for cost or other reasons, but the naloxone is less concentrated compared to the FDA approved intranasal formulation. Data on the effectiveness of naloxone used in this way is uncertain, particularly for overdose related to high potency synthetic opioids (fentanyl and fentanyl analogues).²⁰ Naloxone has been shown to be effective for reversal of opioid overdose, but has mainly been evaluated in the context of non-randomized evaluations of community opioid overdose prevention and naloxone distribution programs.^{21,22} The effectiveness of naloxone that is preemptively prescribed in clinical settings for mitigating overdose risk in individuals with opioid use is less certain.

Chapter 2. Methods

Key Questions and Analytic Framework

Using the methods developed by the USPSTF,²³ the USPSTF and the Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality (AHRQ) determined the scope and key questions for the full screening review, including an analytic framework (**Figure 1**) with the Key Questions and the patient populations, interventions, and outcomes reviewed.¹ This supplemental report addresses the following Key Questions included within the full analytic framework on screening, focusing on the benefits and harms of drug use treatments in screen-detected as well as treatment-seeking populations, and naloxone prescribed in clinical settings as a rescue medication for acute opioid overdose for purposes of risk mitigation:

- Do interventions to reduce drug use^{*} reduce drug use or improve other risky behaviors? (Key Question 4a in the original screening analytic framework¹)
- Do interventions to reduce drug use^{*} reduce morbidity or mortality or improve other health, social, or legal outcomes? (Key Question 4b in the original screening analytic framework¹)
- What are the harms of interventions to reduce drug use^{*}? (Key Question 5 in the original screening analytic framework¹)
- Does naloxone reduce morbidity or mortality, or improve other health outcomes in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse? (New Key Question 6 in the analytic framework for supplemental review)
- What are the harms of naloxone in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse? (New Key Question 7 in the analytic framework for supplemental review)

^{*}Drug use refers to substance use disorders or misuse related to opioids, stimulants, or cannabis, or polysubstance use related to one or more of these drugs.

Search Strategies

We searched the Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials, Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews, Ovid MEDLINE, Embase, and PsycINFO for relevant studies and systematic reviews. Databases were searched from inception to September 2018. After September 2018, we conducted surveillance through article alerts and targeted searches of high-impact journals to identify major studies that may affect conclusions. The last surveillance was conducted on January 25, 2019. Surveillance identified no additional studies that met inclusion criteria for this review. Search strategies are available in **Appendix A1**. We also reviewed reference lists of relevant articles.

Study Selection

At least two reviewers independently evaluated each study to determine inclusion eligibility. We selected studies on the basis of inclusion and exclusion criteria developed for the Key Questions addressed in this supplemental report (**Appendix A2**). We included randomized trials of pharmacotherapy and psychosocial interventions conducted in populations engaging in drug use

regardless of whether their drug use was identified through primary care-based screening, including persons seeking substance use treatment or with signs and symptoms of drug use, and whether or not they met criteria for a substance use disorder. We incorporated all trials of drug use treatment from the 2019 USPSTF screening review¹ that enrolled screen-detected populations, along with additional trials of treatment-seeking populations. In addition, we included trials on the benefits and harms of naloxone in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse; this topic was not addressed in the 2008 review or the 2019 screening update.

We included trials of adolescents (defined as persons 12 to <18 years of age) and adults engaging in use of opioids, stimulants (e.g., cocaine, methamphetamines, and ecstasy), and cannabis. We also included trials of patients engaged in mixed drug use (defined as studies that evaluated more than one type of drug use, but individuals did not necessarily use more than one drug) or polysubstance use (defined as studies in which an individual used more than one drug), as long as one of the three drug classes was the predominant drug of use. We did not restrict inclusion to persons meeting formal criteria (e.g., DSM-IV criteria for abuse or dependence or DSM-5 criteria) for substance use disorder. Rather, we included trials in which patients reported any nonmedical drug use, including those meeting formal DSM-IV or DSM-5 criteria. We included studies of pregnant and postpartum women. We included trials of pharmacotherapies in which treatment was initiated in inpatient settings, as long as subsequent therapy was administered in outpatient settings. Trials in which all therapy was administered in inpatient settings were excluded. We excluded trials of incarcerated patients and trials in which patients were selected on the basis of having a concurrent medical (e.g., HIV or hepatitis C virus [HCV] infection) or psychiatric (e.g., depression or schizophrenia) condition; trials of individuals using prescribed opioids without signs or symptoms of misuse or addiction; and trials in which patients were selected based on use of alcohol, nicotine, or another substance other than opioids, stimulants, and cannabis.

For pharmacotherapies, we focused on medications that are FDA-approved for substance use disorder as of September 2018. These are buprenorphine (sublingual or extended-release injection or implant), buprenorphine/naloxone, methadone, and naltrexone (oral or extendedrelease injection) for treatment of opioid use disorder. We included two trials of extended-release naltrexone formulations, including implantable naltrexone²⁴ (formulation not FDA-approved as of 2019) and injectable naltrexone²⁵ (formulation FDA-approved in 2010). Analyses of naltrexone were stratified according to route of administration (oral versus implant/injectable). No pharmacotherapies are currently FDA-approved for treatment of cannabis or stimulant use disorder. We excluded trials of methadone or buprenorphine for detoxification (withdrawal management), as maintenance therapy with these medications is generally recommended due to a high risk of relapse.¹⁰ We also included studies of preemptive naloxone prescribed in clinical settings as a rescue medication for acute overdose events, for mitigation of opioid-related harms. For psychosocial interventions, we included interventions that utilized one or more of the following techniques: CBT, motivational interventions, contingency management, twelve-step facilitation therapy, family interventions, and adaptations or combinations of these methods.⁸ We did not restrict inclusion of trials of psychosocial interventions based on the number or length of intervention sessions. However, we categorized interventions as brief (defined for this report as 1 or 2 sessions, each less than 1 hour in duration) or intensive (not meeting definition for brief). Psychosocial interventions could be delivered face-to-face or using other modalities (e.g.,

telephone, Internet, or computer). Interventions could be delivered in office-based settings or in opioid treatment programs. We excluded trials of school-based or community level interventions.

We included trials in which included interventions were compared against placebo, a minimal intervention (including attention control), or waitlist control. Minimal interventions and attention controls were similar in intensity (e.g., duration) to the intervention, but were designed to have minimal or no specific effect. Minimal interventions and attention controls commonly consisting of brief educational interventions without a psychosocial component. We only included trials that compared an included intervention against usual care if the usual care intervention did not represent active treatment for drug use disorders. In some trials, usual care could include referral to pharmacotherapy or psychosocial interventions, consistent with how pharmacotherapy for opioid use disorder is delivered in clinical practice and the standard of care.¹⁰ Otherwise, we excluded head-to-head trials comparing one active intervention versus another, trials of combination versus single modality pharmacotherapy, and trials comparing different intensities or duration of pharmacologic therapy or psychosocial interventions.

We included trials that evaluated outcomes at 3 months or longer following the initiation of the interventions. Outcomes were drug use (i.e., abstinence, frequency and/or quantity of drug use, severity of drug use disorder, polysubstance use other risky behaviors), clinical outcomes (i.e., all-cause mortality, drug-related mortality, drug-related morbidity, obstetrical/perinatal/neonatal outcomes, quality of life), other drug-related problems (i.e., legal problems, social and family relations, employment, school/educational outcomes), and harms, including serious adverse events such as death and adverse events resulting in hospitalizations or study withdrawal. For trials of pharmacotherapy for opioid use disorder, we also included retention in substance use treatment as an outcome, because of the ongoing nature of treatment, the chronic relapsing nature of opioid use disorder, and the association between retention in treatment (implying ongoing engagement in care) with reductions in substance use and criminal behavior, and improvements in functioning and quality of life.²⁶⁻²⁸ Because most measures of drug use severity (e.g., Severity of Dependence Scale [SDS], ASSIST, Marijuana Problem Scale [MPS], number of DSM-IV dependence symptoms met) include social, legal, and other consequences of drug use, we considered them measures of drug-related problems.

Additional details on study eligibility for inclusion are available in **Appendix A2**. The literature flow diagram (**Appendix A3**) summarizes the results of the literature search. **Appendix A4** lists the included studies, and **Appendix A5** lists excluded studies with reasons for exclusion.

Data Abstraction and Quality Rating

We abstracted details about the study design, inclusion criteria, patient population (including measures of drug use severity), recruitment and treatment setting, interventions, analysis, followup, and results (**Appendix B**). For trials of screen-detected populations, we utilized the quality ratings as reported in the 2019 USPSTF screening review.¹ For all other trials, investigators independently applied criteria developed by the USPSTF²³ (**Appendix A6**) to rate the quality of each study as good, fair, or poor. Discrepancies were resolved through a consensus

process. In accordance with the USPSTF Procedure Manual, we excluded studies rated poor quality due to important methodological shortcomings that severely undermine their reliability.²³ **Appendix C1** shows all outcomes measures mentioned in the report.

Data Synthesis

We supplemented a random effects meta-analysis reported in the 2019 USPSTF screening review on effects of psychosocial interventions on differences in change from baseline in the number of drug use days in screen-detected populations with additional trials conducted in treatment-seeking populations. Drug use days were standardized to the number of days of drug use in the past 7 days and the analysis was stratified according to whether patients were screen-detected. Results were analyzed separately for outcomes assessed at 3 or 4 months and outcomes assessed at 6 to 12 months. The meta-analysis used the random effects profile likelihood model; additional details regarding statistical methods are available in the 2019 USPSTF screening review.¹

We performed a new (not in the 2019 USPSTF screening review) random effects meta-analysis using the profile likelihood model on the dichotomous outcomes abstinence, retention in treatment (for trials of medications for opioid use disorder), and harms (serious adverse events, study withdrawal due to adverse events, nausea, diaphoresis, and constipation). We pooled data separately for the opioid antagonist naltrexone, the opioid agonists methadone and buprenorphine, and psychosocial interventions. The analysis for methadone and buprenorphine was stratified by drug. To explore heterogeneity, we also performed additional stratified analyses. For all interventions, we stratified analyses according to whether the population was screen-detected or treatment seeking, the main type of drug use measured by the study (cannabis, stimulant, opioid, or mixed drugs), age group (adolescent [12 to 17 years of age], young adult [18 to 25 years of age], or adult [>25 years of age]), study quality, and pregnancy or postpartum status. For pharmacotherapies, we also stratified by route of administration, naltrexone dose, timing of outcome assessment, and intensity of the interventions; and for psychosocial interventions, we stratified according to intervention intensity (brief versus intensive as defined above) and mode of delivery (face-to-face, or other).

For trials of psychosocial interventions, we also performed a new random effects meta-analysis using the profile likelihood method on the continuous outcome of drug use severity. Outcomes related to drug use severity were reported in too few trials of pharmacotherapies (which focused on abstinence/relapse and retention in treatment) to permit pooling. Because trials used different scales to measure drug use severity, we calculated the standardized mean difference as the effect measure. The followup scores were used in the primary analysis and sensitivity analyses were conducted based on change score from baseline (results were similar and results based on change scores are not reported separately). Data were separately analyzed for 3 to 4 month and 6 to 12 month outcomes. The primary analysis was stratified according to the predominant type of drug use; we performed additional stratified analyses based on the intensity of psychosocial interventions, study population (age, whether or not screen detected), mode of delivery, and study quality. Heterogeneity between studies was evaluated by the χ^2 test and I^2 statistics. All analyses were conducted using Stata/IC 13.1 (StataCorp LP, College Station, TX). Analyses

were repeated using the Dersimonian and Laird model; results were similar to results using the profile likelihood method and are not reported separately.

We assessed the aggregate internal validity (quality) of the body of evidence for each key question ("good", "fair", "poor") using methods developed by the USPSTF, based on the number, quality and size of studies, consistency of results between studies, and directness of evidence in the Summary of Evidence table.²³

External Review

The draft report was reviewed by content experts (**Appendix A7**), USPSTF members, AHRQ Project Officers, and collaborative partners, and will be posted for public comment and revised prior to finalization.

Chapter 3. Results

The literature flow diagram (**Appendix A3**) summarizes the results of the literature search, including the number of studies identified at the abstract and title stage, studies reviewed at the full-text stage, the number of studies included by Key Question and intervention, and the number of studies excluded. For this supplemental report, we reviewed 10,091 abstracts, of which 1,125 were reviewed as full text articles. We included a total of 71 trials (reported in 87 publications) of interventions for drug use. From the 2008 USPSTF review,² we carried forward seven trials, which are included in the results below.^{4-6,29-32} One trial from the 2008 USPSTF review evaluated naltrexone,⁵ one trial evaluated methadone,⁶ and five trials evaluated psychosocial intervention) for drug use in a screen-detected population.⁴ We excluded 10 other trials of treatments included in the 2008 USPSTF report. Six trials evaluated a medication not approved by the FDA for treatment of substance use disorders (desipramine, baclofen, fluoxetine, nefazodone, or disulfiram),³³⁻³⁸ two trials evaluated non-included interventions (acupuncture³⁹ or an intervention that involved provision of housing),⁴⁰ and two trials had duration of followup less than 3 months.^{41,42}

The 2019 USPSTF screening review included 27 trials on the effectiveness of psychosocial interventions for treatment of drug use in screen-detected populations, all of which are included in this supplemental report.^{4,43-68} It identified no trials of pharmacotherapy for drug use in screen-detected populations.

We identified 17 additional trials of FDA-approved pharmacotherapies for treatment of opioid use disorder (12 evaluated naltrexone, one evaluated methadone, and five evaluated buprenorphine; one trial evaluated both naltrexone and buprenorphine)⁶⁹ and 22 additional trials of psychosocial therapies for treatment of drug use in treatment-seeking (non-screen-detected) settings that were not included in the 2008 USPSTF report² or 2019 screening review.¹ The total numbers of studies included in this supplement are 19 trials of pharmacotherapies and 52 trials of psychosocial interventions (27 in screen-detected populations, 25 in treatment-seeking populations).

KQ 1. Do interventions to reduce drug use reduce drug use or improve other risky behaviors? Do interventions to reduce drug use reduce morbidity or mortality or improve other health, social, or legal outcomes?

Summary

In treatment-seeking populations with opioid use disorder due to heroin use, naltrexone was associated with decreased risk of drug use relapse (12 trials; relative risk [RR] 0.73, 95% confidence interval [CI] 0.62 to 0.85, I²=78%; absolute risk difference [ARD] -18%, 95% CI -26% to -10%) and increased likelihood of retention in treatment (9 trials, RR 1.71, 95% CI 1.13 to 2.49, I²=67%; ARD 15%, 95% CI 5% to 22%) versus placebo or no naltrexone (Figures 2 and 3); the duration of treatment was 6 months in 10 of 13 trials.

- In treatment-seeking populations with opioid use disorder primarily due to heroin use, opioid agonist therapy with methadone or buprenorphine was associated with decreased risk of relapse while on treatment (4 trials; RR 0.75, 95% CI 0.59 to 0.82; I²=75%; ARD -35%, 95% CI -67% to -3%) and increased likelihood of retention in treatment (7 trials; RR 2.58, 95% CI 1.78 to 4.59, I²=71%; ARD 39%, 95% CI 23% to 54%) versus placebo or no opioid agonist treatment (**Figures 4 and 5**); the duration of treatment ranged from 3 to 12 months (6 months in 4 of 7 trials).
 - In stratified analyses, effects on risk of relapse and retention in treatment were similar for methadone and buprenorphine.
- Psychosocial interventions were associated with increased likelihood of abstinence from drug use versus control conditions (waitlist, minimal intervention, or usual care) at 3 to 4 months (15 trials; RR 1.60, 95% CI 1.24 to 2.13, I²=61%; ARD 9%, 95% CI 5% to 15%) and at 6 to 12 months (14 trials; RR 1.52, 95% CI 1.14 to 2.04, I²=80%; ARD 10%, 95% CI 3% to 16%) (Figures 6 and 7).
 - In a stratified analysis, effects were statistically significant for abstinence from cannabis use (7 trials; RR 2.08, 95% CI 1.51 to 3.07, I²=28% at 3 to 4 months and 4 trials; RR 1.58, 95% CI 1.17 to 3.06, I²=36% at 6 to 12 months) (Figures 6 and 7), but were weaker and not statistically significant for abstinence from stimulant or mixed drug use.
 - Effects on abstinence were greater at 3 to 4 months in trials of treatment-seeking populations (7 trials; RR 2.08, 95% CI 1.51 to 3.07, I²=28%) than in trials of screen-detected populations (8 trials; RR 1.28, 95% CI 0.97 to 1.84, I²=57%; p for interaction=0.05) (Figure 8) and were greater at 6 to 12 months in trials of face-to-face interventions (11 trials; RR 1.67, 95% CI 1.21 to 2.37, I²=82%) than in trials with other (web, computer, telephone) interventions (3 trials; RR 1.04, 95% CI 0.73 to 1.45, I²=0%; p for interaction=0.004). Effects were smaller in trials of brief than intensive interventions, but the differences were not statistically significant.
- Psychosocial interventions were associated with decreased number of drug use days (standardized to use in the last 7 days) versus controls at 3 to 4 months (19 trials, mean difference -0.48 day, 95% CI -0.84 to -0.12, I²=89%) but not at 6 to 12 months (15 trials, mean difference -0.07, 95% CI -0.29 to 0.12, I²=47%) (**Figures 9 and 10**).
 - Beneficial effects of psychosocial interventions on drug use days at 3 to 4 months were present in trials of treatment-seeking populations (10 trials, mean difference -0.91 day, 95% CI -1.52 to -0.31, I²=86%) but not in trials of screen-detected populations (9 trials, mean difference -0.09, 95% CI -0.29 to 0.13, I²=44%) (**Figure 11**).
- Psychosocial interventions were associated with a small but statistically significant decrease in drug use severity versus controls at 3 to 4 months (17 trials, standard mean difference [SMD] -0.18, 95% CI -0.32 to -0.05, I²=73%) but not at 6 to 12 months (13 trials, SMD -0.10, 95% CI -0.24 to 0.02, I²=65%) (**Figures 12 and 13**).
- Evidence on the effects of pharmacotherapies and psychosocial interventions on other health, social, and legal outcomes was limited and inconsistent.

Evidence

Naltrexone for Opioid Use Disorder

The 2008 USPSTF review included one trial of naltrexone for treatment of opioid use disorder.⁵ Including this trial, we identified thirteen trials (in 14 publications) on the effects of naltrexone versus placebo or no naltrexone for opioid use disorder in persons receiving drug use counseling (Table 1, Appendix B1-3).^{5,24,25,69-79} Sample sizes ranged from 31 to 306 (total N=1,718). In these trials, the diagnosis of opioid use disorder was generally based on meeting DSM-II-R, DSM-III, or DSM-IV criteria. Drug use counseling was usually described as individual (most common) or group counseling with a frequency ranging from 3 times/week to biweekly; however, details regarding counseling methods were limited. Twelve trials assessed oral naltrexone, one trial²⁵ injectable naltrexone (300 mg every 4 weeks), and one trial²⁴ implantable (not FDA-approved) naltrexone (1000 mg twice a month). Among trials of oral naltrexone, the dose was 50 mg daily in seven trials;^{5,24,72-74,78,79} up to 150 mg daily in two trials,^{69,71} and 100 or 150 mg two or three times weekly in three trials.^{70,76,77} Two trials evaluated naltrexone and placebo with or without a second medication (fluoxetine or guanfacine); the second medication did not appear to affect findings so we combined the naltrexone and non-naltrexone arms in analyses. The duration of treatment was 6 months in 10 trials. In the other three trials, the duration of treatment was 2,⁷⁶ 3,⁷⁸ or 9 months.⁷¹ Outcomes were assessed at the end of treatment in all trials except for two, which evaluated outcomes at 6 or 10 months following the completion of treatment.^{76,77} Five trials were conducted in Russia,^{24,25,72-74} two in Israel,^{76,78} two in the United States^{70,71}, two in Europe,^{77,79} one in Malaysia,⁶⁹ and one in China.⁵ Patients were recruited from inpatient settings, drug treatment settings, or from the criminal justice system (e.g., parolees); no study reported recruitment of patients from primary care settings, or identification of drug use through screening in primary care settings. Naltrexone treatment was administered in outpatient settings.

In all trials that reported the opioid of use, heroin was the primary opioid of use in all or nearly all patients. Study participants were predominantly men (proportion female ranged from 0 to 31 percent); no trial reported outcomes stratified by patient sex. The mean age ranged from 21 to 29 years, with no studies conducted in adolescents. In studies that reported the duration of drug use, the mean ranged from 2 to over 16 years.^{5,24,25,69,72-78} Information to characterize the severity of drug use was otherwise limited. All trials required patients to be withdrawn from opioids prior to initiation of naltrexone. Four trials^{24,25,69,77} described inpatient or residential withdrawal from opioids; details about withdrawal methods and setting were otherwise not reported well.

Three studies were rated good quality^{24,25,74} and the remainder were rated fair quality (**Appendix B4**). Methodological shortcomings in the fair-quality trials included unclear randomization or allocation concealment methods and unclear or high attrition. All trials were blinded.

Detailed Results: Drug Use and Other Risky Behaviors

Thirteen trials reported effects of naltrexone versus placebo or no naltrexone on risk of drug use relapse.^{5,24,25,69-79} Definitions for relapse varied and were based on findings on urine drug tests, self-report, and/or presence of signs or symptoms of withdrawal; in two trials^{5,79} relapse was not

defined (**Table 1**). Among the non-naltrexone arms, the proportion of patients with relapse ranged from 41 to 93 percent. Naltrexone was associated with decreased risk of relapse versus placebo or no naltrexone (12 trials; RR 0.73, 95% CI 0.62 to 0.85; **Figure 2**; ARD -18%, 95% CI -26% to -10%).^{5,24,25,69,71-79} Treatment with naltrexone was for 2 to 9 months (6 months in 9 trials) and outcomes were assessed at 3 to 12 months after the start of treatment. Although statistical heterogeneity was high (I²=78%), the RR estimate favored naltrexone in all but two trials,^{69,77} which both reported point estimates close to one. Estimates were similar for naltrexone administered orally (11 trials; RR 0.76, 95% CI 0.65 to 0.88; I²=70%)^{5,24,69,71-79} or by injection/implant (2 trials; RR 0.41, 95% CI 0.06 to 2.40; I²=98%) (**Table 2**).^{24,25} Excluding two trials^{76,77} that evaluated risk of relapse 6 or 10 months after discontinuation of naltrexone had little impact on the pooled estimate (10 trials; RR 0.71, 95% CI 0.59 to 0.84; I²=82%). Restricting the analysis to trials of oral naltrexone at a dose of 50 mg/day (7 trials; RR 0.69, 95% CI 0.58 to 0.81; I²=47%)^{5,24,72-74,78,79} or to good-quality trials (3 trials; RR 0.67, 95% CI 0.48 to 0.94; I²=84%)^{24,25,74} also resulted in similar pooled estimates. One trial that did not provide poolable relapse data reported results consistent with the pooled findings.⁷⁰

Nine trials reported effects of naltrexone versus placebo or no naltrexone on the likelihood of retention in treatment.^{24,25,69,70,72-74,77,78} In some trials, relapse was included in the definition of non-retention. Among the arms not receiving naltrexone, rates of retention ranged from 9 to 38 percent. Naltrexone was associated with increased likelihood of treatment retention (9 trials; RR 1.71, 95% CI 1.13 to 2.49; I²=67%; **Figure 3**; ARD 15%, 95% CI 5% to 22%). There was no interaction between route of naltrexone administration and likelihood of treatment retention (oral: 8 trials; RR 1.59, 95% CI 1.00 to 2.38; I²=61%; injection/implant: 2 trials; RR 2.48, 95% CI 0.58 to 11.75; I²=94%; p for interaction=0.37) (**Table 2**). Results were similar when analyses were restricted to trials of oral naltrexone at a dose of 50 mg/day (6 trials; RR 1.84, 95% CI 1.22 to 2.71; I²=49%)^{24,72-74,78} or to good quality trials (3 trials; RR 2.10, 95% CI 1.21 to 4.13; I²=78%).^{24,25,74}

Effects on other outcomes related to other drug use and/or risk behaviors were reported less consistently (**Appendix B3**). Five trials reported no difference between naltrexone versus placebo or no naltrexone in risk of alcohol, marijuana, or other (non-opiate) drug use.^{71-73,77,78} There were no clear differences between naltrexone versus placebo or versus no naltrexone in measures of addiction severity (2 trials)^{72,73} or severity of drug use or risky sexual behaviors (4 trials).^{25,69,72,73}

Detailed Results: Health, Social and Legal Outcomes

Mortality was rare in the naltrexone trials, with a total of three deaths (2 naltrexone and 1 placebo) in four trials.^{25,69,72,77}

Evidence on the effects of naltrexone versus placebo or no naltrexone on health outcomes such as global function, quality of life, depression, and anxiety was limited. One trial found no difference between naltrexone versus placebo in the Global Assessment of Function (GAF).⁷⁴ Another trial found naltrexone associated with improved quality of life, as measured by the mean change in Euro-Qol-5 score (14.1 versus 2.7; p=0.0005), the proportion of patients with improvement in Clinical Global Impressions scale (86% versus 58%; p=0.0002), and mean difference in Short Form Health Survey (SF)-36 mental component score (5.09, 95% CI 2.09 to

8.09; p=0.004)²⁵ Five trials reported effects of naltrexone on psychiatric measures. Four trials found no differences between naltrexone versus placebo in risk of anxiety⁷⁹ or depression,^{74,78} or in scores on the Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale (BPRS).⁷² One other trial found naltrexone associated with more severe depression, based on the Minnesota Multifactorial Personality Inventory (MMPI) depression scores (mean 73.7 versus 65.5; p<0.02).⁷⁷ Two other trials reported results that appeared to favor naltrexone based on scales measuring depression (Beck Depression Inventory [BDI]) and anxiety (Spielberger State-Anxiety Inventory [SSAI], State-Trait Anxiety Inventory [STAI]) severity, but the statistical significance of between group comparisons was not reported.^{72,75}

Three trials reported legal outcomes.^{70,71,76} One trial of persons on parole or probation found those taking naltrexone had lower rates of reincarceration than those taking no medication (26% versus 56%; RR 0.45, 95% CI 0.23 to 0.89).⁷⁰ Two other trials reported no difference between naltrexone versus placebo in the likelihood of contact with law enforcement.^{71,76} One trial reported no difference between naltrexone versus placebo in likelihood of employment.⁷⁷

Opioid Agonist Therapy (Buprenorphine or Methadone) for Opioid Use Disorder

The 2008 USPSTF report included one trial of methadone for treatment of opioid use disorder.⁶ Including this trial, we identified seven trials (reported in 9 publications) on the effects of opioid agonist therapy with buprenorphine or methadone versus placebo or no medication (waitlist or usual care) for opioid use disorder (Table 1, Appendix B5-7).^{6,69,80-86} Sample sizes ranged from 40 to 319 (total N=1,109). Two trials^{6,80,85,86} evaluated oral methadone. The dose of methadone was up to 90 mg/day in one trial⁸⁰ and averaged 78 mg/day in the other trial.^{6,85,86} Five trials^{69,81}-⁸⁴ evaluated buprenorphine. Buprenorphine was taken sublingually in four trials^{69,81,82,84} (dose ranged from 8 to 24 mg/day) and administered by implant in two trials^{83,84} (4 implants, with a total dose of 320 mg). One trial⁸⁴ evaluated both oral and implanted buprenorphine. The duration of treatment ranged from three to twelve months (6 months in 4 trials^{69,80,83,84} and 3,⁸² 4,⁸⁵ or 12⁸¹ months in 1 trial each). The buprenorphine implant trials required that patients successfully undergo induction with sublingual buprenorphine prior to randomization. Oral methadone and sublingual buprenorphine were administered daily under direct observation, though some trials allowed take-home doses for weekends and holidays. In five trials, all patients received some individual and/or group drug use counseling.^{69,80,81,83,84} The intensity of counseling ranged from "minimal" (not described) to "standard" counseling for 45 to 60 minutes on a weekly or twice weekly basis. Two trials did not include a counseling intervention;^{6,82,85,86} both were designed to evaluate bridging therapy with methadone or buprenorphine while awaiting entry into more comprehensive care.

The main type of opioid used was heroin in all of the trials. In two trials, prescription opioids were the main opioid of use in about one-third of patients.^{83,84} Prescription opioid use was not described in the other trials. In five trials, the diagnosis of opioid use disorder was based on DSM-IV criteria.^{6,69,80,83-86} Criteria for the diagnosis of opioid use disorder were not specified in the other two trials.^{80,82} Four trials were conducted in the United States,^{6,80,83-86} two trials in Europe,^{81,82} and one trial in Malaysia.⁶⁹ Patients were recruited from inpatient settings in one trial,⁸¹ from the community in one trial,⁶⁹ and from outpatient addiction treatment settings in the other five trials. In one trial, treatment was initiated on an inpatient basis.⁸¹ Otherwise, treatment was administered in outpatient addiction treatment settings.

Study participants were predominantly male (proportion female ranged from 25% to 43%) and mean age ranged from 29 to 43 years; no study was conducted in adolescents. No trial stratified outcomes by patient sex. In studies that reported the duration of drug use, the mean ranged from 5 to 20 years.^{69,80-82} Three studies reported that the mean number of days of heroin use in the last 30 days ranged from 19 to 30.^{6,69,80,85,86}

Two studies were rated good-quality^{6,84-86} and the remainder were rated fair quality (**Appendix B8**). Methodological shortcomings in the fair-quality trials included unclear randomization or allocation concealment methods and unclear or high attrition. Both methadone trials utilized an unblinded design; one trial⁸⁰ compared methadone versus usual care and the other trial^{6,85,86} compared methadone versus waitlist control.

Detailed Results: Drug Use and Other Risky Behaviors

Four trials reported effects of opioid agonist therapy with buprenorphine or methadone versus placebo or no medication on risk of drug use (**Table 1**).^{6,69,81,84-86} Drug use outcomes were informed by urine drug test findings, though specific criteria varied (**Table 1**). Among the control arms, the proportion of patients with relapse ranged from 79 to 100 percent. Opioid agonist therapy was associated with decreased risk of relapse versus controls after 4 to 12 months of treatment (4 trials; RR 0.75, 95% CI 0.59 to 0.82; I²=75%; Figure 4; ARD -35%, 95% CI -67% to -13%).^{6,69,81,84-86} Although statistical heterogeneity was high, all four trials found opioid agonist therapy to be effective, with relative risk estimates ranging from 0.22 to 0.81. Estimates were similar in one trial of methadone (RR 0.71, 95% CI 0.61 to 0.84)^{6,85,86} and three trials of buprenorphine (RR 0.59, 95% CI 0.21 to 1.31; $I^2=84\%$);^{69,81,84} stratification by drug did not reduce statistical heterogeneity and there was no statistically significant interaction (p=0.78). The methadone trial did not include counseling. Stratification of the buprenorphine trials according to whether administration was sublingual (2 trials, RR 0.46, 95% CI 0.08 to 2.19, $I^2=93\%$)^{69,81} or by implant (1 trial, RR 0.77, 95% CI 0.68 to 0.88)⁸⁴ also did not reduce statistical heterogeneity, with no statistically significant interaction (p=0.70). Restricting the analysis to two good quality trials resulted in a pooled estimate (RR 0.75, 95% CI 0.65 to 0.85, $I^2=0\%$) very similar to the overall estimate (**Table 3**).^{6,84-86}

Three trials reported effects of opioid agonist therapy with buprenorphine or methadone on drug use outcomes that could not be pooled.^{80,82,83} Results also indicated positive effects of opioid agonist therapy on drug use (**Table 1**). One trial found methadone with minimal or standard counseling associated with fewer self-reported days of heroin use versus usual care (4.2 to 5.9 vs. 18.4); counseling intensity had no clear effect.⁸⁰ One trial found sublingual buprenorphine without counseling associated with greater decrease in self-reported heroin use versus placebo (-3.2 vs. 0.52 on a 0 to 10 Visual Analog Scale [VAS], p<0.001).⁸² A third trial found sublingual buprenorphine associated with a higher proportion of negative urine drug tests versus placebo (37% vs. 22%, p=0.01).⁸³

Seven trials reported effects of opioid agonist therapy versus placebo or versus no medication on likelihood of retention in treatment.^{6,69,80-86} In some trials, relapse was included in the definition of non-retention (**Appendix B5-7**). Among patients who did not receive opioid agonists, rates of retention ranged from 0 to 38 percent. Opioid agonist therapy was associated with increased likelihood of treatment retention (7 trials; RR 2.58, 95% CI 1.78 to 4.59; $I^2=71\%$; **Figure 5**;

ARD 39%, 95% CI 23% to 54%). Statistical heterogeneity was present, but all trials reported estimates in favor of buprenorphine or methadone; relative risk estimates ranged from 1.30 to 31.00. Pooled estimates were similar for five trials^{69,81-84} of buprenorphine (RR 2.52, 95% CI 1.89 to 4.74, I²=51%) and two trials^{6,80,85,86} of methadone (RR 2.22, 95% CI 0.63 to 7.56, I²=92%), with no statistically significant interaction (p=0.54) (**Table 3**). Among trials of buprenorphine, there was no statistically significant interaction between sublingual administration (4 trials; RR 2.95, 95% CI 1.97 to 12.06, I²=57%)^{69,81,82,84} or administration as an implant (2 trials; RR 2.27, 95% CI 1.58 to 3.31, I²=0%)^{83,84} and retention in treatment (p for interaction=0.46). Restricting the analysis to two good quality trials (RR 3.15, 95% CI 1.90 to 4.81; I²=42%) resulted in a pooled estimate similar to the overall estimate (**Table 3**).^{6,84} Pooled estimates were also similar for trials with minimal or no counseling (3 trials; RR 2.78, 95% CI 0.93 to 13.74; I²=86%)^{6,80,82,85,86} and trials with standard counseling (5 trials; RR 2.09, 95% CI 1.54 to 3.33; I²=56%; p for interaction=0.79).^{69,80,81,83,84}

Effects on other outcomes related to other drug use and/or risk behaviors were reported less consistently (**Appendix B**7). Two trials reported inconsistent effects of methadone versus placebo on cocaine use,^{6,80,85,86} one trial found methadone associated with decreased alcohol use,⁸⁰ and one trial found no effects of methadone on the Addiction Severity Index (ASI).⁸⁰ One trial found sublingual buprenorphine associated with decreased non-opioid drug use versus placebo.⁸² Another trial found sublingual buprenorphine associated with more days in treatment without heroin relapse versus placebo (79 vs. 39, p=0.007) and no difference in HIV risk behaviors based on the AIDS Risk Inventory score.⁶⁹

Detailed Results: Health, Social and Legal Outcomes

Evidence on health outcomes associated with opioid agonist therapy versus placebo or versus no opioid agonist therapy was very limited. Mortality was reported in two trials of buprenorphine. There were a total of four deaths, all in patients randomized to placebo.^{69,81} Two trials found implanted buprenorphine associated with greater likelihood of reporting a "very much" or "much" improved Clinical Global Impressions (CGI) (RR 1.36, 95% CI 1.06 to 1.74; $I^2=43\%$).^{83,84} One trial found no difference between sublingual buprenorphine versus placebo in anxiety and depression (based on the Symptom Checklist [SCL]-5 scale), but buprenorphine was associated with greater wellbeing (mean change from baseline -2.00 vs. -0.43 on a 0 to 10 VAS, p<0.001) and life satisfaction (mean change -0.65 vs. -0.24 on the 0 to 10 Temporal Satisfaction with Life Scale [TSLS], p<0.05).⁸² No trial reported the effects of opioid agonist therapy on social or legal outcomes.

Psychosocial Interventions

Fifty-two trials (reported in 65 publications) evaluated psychosocial interventions for unhealthy drug use or drug use disorders (**Table 4, Appendix B9-11**).^{4,29-32,43-68,87-120} Twenty-seven trials enrolled patients who were not seeking treatment for substance use, but were identified through screening for unhealthy drug use (additional details available in the 2019 USPSTF screening review¹; also see **Appendix B9-11**).^{4,43-68} One of these trials⁴ was included in the 2008 USPSTF review.² None of the trials of screen-detected populations required patients to meet DSM criteria for substance dependence, abuse, or use disorder at baseline, but used thresholds to define unhealthy drug use (e.g. use of drugs within a specific time frame, ASSIST score \geq 4, or Drug

Abuse Screening Test [DAST]-10 score \geq 3; Appendix B9-10).

Twenty-five trials (in 30 publications) were conducted in persons engaging in drug use who were not identified through screening in primary care settings (**Table 4, Appendix B9-11**).^{29-32,87-89,91-112,120} Three of these trials³⁰⁻³² were included in the 2008 USPSTF review.² In these trials, patients were seeking substance use treatment or recruited based on known substance use ("treatment-seeking"). In 17 trials, patients were primarily recruited through advertisements for study participation. In the other nine trials, patients were directly recruited in target settings; referred by peers, clinician, family members, or social workers/counselors; or recruited from callers to a cannabis help line. Of the 25 trials, five required patients to meet DSM-IV criteria for substance abuse or dependence.^{29,99-102} The severity of substance use at baseline varied. For example, among trials of persons using cannabis, mean scores on the SDS (range 0 to 15; higher scores indicate higher level of dependence) ranged from 4.1¹⁰⁶ to 9.8³⁰ and mean scores on the MPS (range 0 to 38; higher scores indicate higher level of dependence) ranged from 3.7⁵⁸ to 9.5.²⁹

Across all trials, sample sizes ranged from 34 to 1,175 (total N=15,659.) The duration of followup was 3 to 4 months after the start of interventions in 18 trials, ^{29,32,431,47-50,55,59,63,67,92,93,98,102,103,105,108,109} 6 to 9 months in 21 trials, ^{4,30,51,53,54,56-58,61,62,65,87,89,95,99,101,104,106,110,112} and \geq 12 months in 13 trials. ^{31,43-45,60,64,66,68,94,97,100,111,114} Thirty-five trials^{4,29,32,43,45,47-49,51-58,60-67,94,99-103,110,111,114} were conducted in the United States, seven trials in Europe, ^{68,93,95,104,106,107,109} and 10 trials in other countries. ^{30,50,59,87,89,96,98,105,108,112}

The primary substance used was cannabis in 29 trials,^{29,30,32,43-45,52,54,58,62-64,92-95,97,98,100-103,105-^{109,111} stimulants in six trials,^{4,87,89,104,110,112} opioids in two trials,^{66,99} and mixed or multiple drugs in 15 trials.^{47,50,53,55-57,59-61,65,67,68,114} Among the trials reporting mixed or multiple drug use at baseline, the proportion of patients that reported opioid use ranged from 5 to 26 percent. Five trials evaluated adolescents,^{43,54,64,94,105} eight trials evaluated young adults (18 to 25 years of age),^{51,58,59,62,92,93,97,112} and six trials evaluated mixed populations of adolescents or young adults.^{31,44,52,95,104,106,107} Thirty-two trials evaluated adults or mixed populations of adults and adolescents,^{4,29,30,32,45-49,53,55-57,60,61,63,65-68,87,89,98-103,108-111} including three trials of postpartum females⁵⁵⁻⁵⁷ and two trials^{63,67} of pregnant females. All trials of postpartum and pregnant females were conducted in screen-detected populations; they are discussed in more detail in the 2019 USPSTF screening report and not presented separately in this report.¹ Among the psychosocial intervention trials that did not focus on pregnant or postpartum females, three only enrolled females;^{53,62,92} in the other trials the proportion of females ranged from 13 to 71 percent (median 34%).}

Thirty-seven trials evaluated brief psychosocial interventions, defined here as one or two sessions, each ≤ 60 minutes in duration.^{4,29,43-64,66,68,87,89,92,94,96,102,104-107,111} The most commonly used techniques in the brief intervention trials utilized motivational interventions (e.g., MET or MI) or CBT. Nineteen trials evaluated more intensive (non-brief) psychosocial interventions; in these, the number of sessions ranged from two to 14, aside from one trial⁹⁹ that utilized 57 sessions.^{29,30,32,65,67,87,89,93,95,98-103,108-110,112} The most commonly used techniques in the intensive psychosocial interventions trials were motivational interventions and CBT; some trials used contingency management.

The mode of delivery for psychosocial interventions was face-to-face in 37 trials^{4,29,30,32,43,44,47,48,50,52,54,59-62,65,66,68,87,89,92-95,97,99-107,110,111,114} and by computer, Internet, or telephone in 12 trials;^{49,52,55-58,63,67,98,108,109,112} three trials used multiple modes of delivery.^{45,53,64} The intervention was delivered by someone with graduate level education in 65 percent of the studies; 15 percent of studies utilized research staff without graduate level education or mixed educational levels, one study was delivered by substance treatment outreach workers who were in recovery,⁴ and 17 percent of studies were solely computer-based. The control intervention consisted of a minimal intervention in 30 trials, ^{4,43,47,48,51,52,54-63,67,68,87,89,92,93,97,104,106-108,110,111,114} waitlist in 11 trials,^{29,30,32,49,50,98,102,103,105,109,112} and usual care in 11 trials.^{44,45,53,64-66,94,95,99-101} Minimal intervention. In some trials, usual care could have included referral to drug treatment, though trials in which patients assigned to usual care were routinely referred for drug treatment were excluded (see Methods).

Eight trials^{29,45,53,60,61,93,104,111} were rated good quality and the remainder were rated fair quality (Appendix B12). Methodological limitations in the fair quality trials included high attrition, failure to blind or unclear blinding of outcome assessors, and unclear randomization methods. Attrition was generally high; at three to four months attrition ranged from two to 67 percent and at six to 12 months attrition ranged from two to 46 percent. Blinding of patients and care providers to receipt of psychosocial interventions was not feasible given the nature of the interventions. Commonly reported drug use outcomes were changes in days of drug use (in the last 90 days, 30 days, or week), various measures of drug use severity (e.g., the ASSIST score, the SDS, the MPS, the Rutgers Alcohol Problems Index [RAPI; adapted for cannabis use], and others), and rates of drug use abstinence (based on self-report, urine testing, and/or hair sample testing). All studies assessed drug use frequency based on patient self-report using standardized questionnaires. Nineteen studies reported use of timeline followback methods (a method which uses a calendar and memory aids to prompt recall)¹²¹ and one study³² reported use of collaterals (family members, friends) to verify self-report. Thirteen studies reported use of urine testing to detect drug use in all or a sample of patients, three studies reported use of hair samples, ^{56,57,61} and one study reported use of saliva testing.¹⁰⁴

Detailed Results: Drug Use and Other Risky Behaviors

Abstinence. Psychosocial interventions were associated with increased likelihood of abstinence from drug use at 3 to 4 months (15 trials; RR 1.60, 95% CI 1.24 to 2.13, $I^2=61\%$; ARD 9%, 95% CI 5% to 15%; **Figure 6**)^{29,32,46,48,55,57,63,67,68,98,106-109} and at 6 to 12 months (14 trials; RR 1.52, 95% CI 1.14 to 2.04, $I^2=80\%$; ARD 10%, 95% CI 3% to 16%; **Figure 7**)^{4,30,44,46,56,57,61,68,87-89,91,104,106,107,112} versus controls (waitlist, minimal intervention, or usual care). Stratified according to the primary type of drug of use, estimates favored psychosocial interventions for abstinence from cannabis use (7 trials; RR 2.08, 95% CI 1.51 to 3.07 at 3 to 4 months; $I^2=28\%^{29,32,98,106-109}$ and 4 trials, RR 1.58, 95% CI 1.17 to 3.06 at 6 to 12 months, $I^2=36\%$).^{30,44,106,107} Effects on stimulant use (4 trials, RR 1.45, 95% CI 0.86 to 2.56 at 6 to 12 months, $I^2=65\%$),^{87-89,104,112} and mixed drug use (7 trials; RR 1.24, 95% CI 0.92 to 1.80 at 3 to 4 months, $I^2=60\%^{46,48,55-57,63,67}$ and 5 trials, RR 1.38, 95% CI 0.71 to 2.61 at 6 to 12 months, $I^2=92\%$) were not statistically significant. There was a statistically significant interaction between type of drug use and effects of psychosocial interventions on abstinence at 3 to 4 months (p for interaction=0.10) but not at 6 to 12 months (p for interaction=0.85) (**Table 5**).

Only one trial evaluated effects of a psychosocial intervention on prescription drug use (type of prescription drug use not specified); estimates were imprecise (RR 2.08, 95% CI 0.81 to 5.38 at 3 to 4 months, and RR 1.25, 95% CI 0.65 to 2.40 at 12 months).⁶⁸ One trial of patients with opioid (heroin) use (n=126) found contingency management associated with increased likelihood of opioid abstinence versus usual care (OR 2.15, 95% CI 1.16 to 4.00), but could not be pooled because the number of patients evaluated in each group for this outcome was not reported.⁹⁹ In all of the trials of cannabis and stimulant use, abstinence was based on self-report. All trials of mixed drug use utilized hair or urine testing to assess abstinence, except for one trial that evaluated 6 sessions of MET plus CBT in pregnant women (RR 0.95, 95% CI 0.59 to 1.55).⁶⁷

Effects of psychosocial interventions on likelihood of drug use abstinence at 3 to 4 months were stronger in trials of treatment-seeking populations (7 trials, RR 2.08, 95% CI 1.51 to 3.07, $I^2=28\%)^{29,32,98,106-109}$ than trials of screen-detected populations (8 trials, RR 1.28, 95% CI 0.97 to 1.84, $I^2=57\%$; p for interaction=0.05) (**Figure 8**).^{46,48,55-57,63,67,68} Of the screen-detected trials, all except for one⁶⁸ enrolled persons with mixed drug use and five trials^{55-57,63,67} enrolled pregnant or postpartum women. At 6 to 12 months, effects on likelihood of abstinence were very similar in trials of screen-detected (7 trials, RR 1.42, 95% CI 0.89 to 2.24, $I^2=88\%$)^{4,44,46,56,57,61,68} and treatment-seeking (7 trials, RR 1.51, 95% CI 1.14 to 2.37, $I^2=57\%$]; p for interaction=0.64) populations (**Figure 14**).^{30,87-89,91,104,106,107,112} None of the trials of screen-detected populations at 6 to 12 months evaluated pregnant women and two enrolled postpartum women;^{56,57} five of the seven trials enrolled persons with mixed drug use.

Effects of psychosocial interventions on abstinence at 6 to 12 months were stronger in trials of face-to-face interventions (11 trials, RR 1.67, 95% CI 1.21 to 2.37, $I^2=82\%$)^{4,30,44,46,61,68,87-89,91,104,106,107} than trials that used other (web, computer, or telephone) delivery methods (3 trials, RR 1.04, 95% CI 0.73 to 1.45, $I^2=0\%$; p for interaction=0.004).^{56,57,112}

Effects of psychosocial interventions were somewhat stronger in trials of intensive compared with brief interventions, but the differences were not statistically significant (**Table 5**). No trial reporting abstinence enrolled only adolescents and there were no statistically significant differences between trials that enrolled adults >25 years of age and those that enrolled adolescents and young adults (up to 25 years of age) (**Table 5**).

At 3 to 4 months, five trials reporting effects of psychosocial interventions on drug use abstinence enrolled pregnant or postpartum females (RR 1.24, 95% CI 0.99 to 1.89, $I^2=41\%$)^{55-57,63,67} and at 6 to 12 months two trials enrolled postpartum females (RR 1.07, 95% CI 0.76 to 1.71, $I^2=0\%$).^{56,57} Restricting the analysis to trials of adults who were not pregnant or postpartum resulted in pooled estimates for drug use abstinence that were similar to the overall estimates at 3 to 4 months (8 trials, RR 1.77, 95% CI 1.17 to 2.80, $I^2=71\%$) and at 6 to 12 months (12 trials, RR 1.82, 95% CI 1.08 to 3.18, $I^2=86\%$). No trial that enrolled men and women reported effects on abstinence stratified by sex. There was no statistically significant interaction between study quality and effects of psychosocial interventions on drug use abstinence, but only three trials were rated good quality, limiting the usefulness of this stratified analysis (**Table 5**).^{29,61,104}

Drug Use Days

Twenty trials reported effects of psychosocial interventions on frequency of drug use based on

the number of drug use days. Standardized to drug use in the past 7 days, effects of psychosocial interventions versus controls at 3 to 4 months after the start of the intervention ranged from a decrease of -2.30 days to an increase of 0.26 day. When the data were pooled, psychosocial interventions were associated with decreased number of drug use days versus controls at 3 to 4 months (19 trials, mean difference -0.48 day, 95% CI -0.84 to -0.12), but statistical heterogeneity was high (I²=89%) (**Figure 9**).^{29,32,44-46,51-53,58,60,66,92,93,96-98,105,106,108,109}

In stratified analyses (**Table 6**), effects of psychosocial interventions on drug use days at 3 to 4 months were present in trials of treatment-seeking populations (10 trials, mean difference -0.91 day, 95% CI -1.52 to -0.31, I^2 =86%)^{29,32,92,93,96-98,105,106,108,109} but not in trials of screen-detected populations (9 trials, mean difference -0.09 day, 95% CI -0.29 to 0.13, I^2 =44%;^{44-46,51-53,58,60,66} p for interaction=0.03) (**Figure 11**). Effects on drug use days were also present in trials of intensive interventions (10 trials, mean difference -0.88 day, 95% CI -1.50 to -0.28, I^2 =91%)^{29,32,44,46,60,66,92,93,98,105,108,109} but not in trials of brief interventions (9 trials, mean difference -0.12 day, 95% CI -0.34 to 0.13, I^2 =41%;^{45,51-53,58,96,97,106} p for interaction=0.03). Effects were also present in trials that evaluated cannabis use (14 trials, mean difference -0.66 day, 95% CI -1.13 to -0.21, I^2 =89%)^{29,32,44,51,52,58,66,92,93,96-98,105,106,108} but not in trials that evaluated "any drug use" (5 trials, mean difference -0.05 day, 95% CI -0.39 to 0.31, I^2 =58%),^{45,46,53,60,109} though the interaction between drug use type and effects on drug use days was not statistically significant (p=0.12) (**Figure 9**). All trials that reported any drug use except for one¹⁰⁹ were conducted in screen-detected populations. No trial evaluated effects of psychosocial interventions on opioid use days.

When trials were stratified according to age, effects of psychosocial interventions on drug use days were greater in trials of adults (10 trials, mean difference -0.63, 95% CI -1.22 to -0.03, $I^2=93\%)^{29,32,45,46,53,60,66,98,108,109}$ than trials of young adults (8 trials, mean difference -0.14, 95% CI -0.35 to 0.04; $I^2=0\%$).^{44,51,52,58,92,93,96,97} One trial evaluated adolescents¹⁰⁵ and one of the young adult trials also enrolled adolescents,¹⁰⁶ each showing no statistically significant effect. There was no statistically significant interaction between age group and effects on drug use days (p=0.35). None of the trials that reported effects on drug use days enrolled pregnant or postpartum persons.

Effects of psychosocial interventions on drug use days at 6 to 12 months versus controls were smaller than at 3 to 4 months and not statistically significant (15 trials, mean difference -0.07, 95% CI -0.29 to 0.12, $I^2=47\%$) (**Figure 10**).^{44-46,51-53,58,60,61,66,96,97,104,106,110,111} Differences ranged from a decrease of -1.37 days to an increase of 0.51 days. There were also no statistically significant effects on drug use days at 6 months in subgroup analyses based on whether the population was screen-detected (**Figure 15**), type of drug use (cannabis, stimulants, or any drug), age group, whether the intervention was brief, or whether the intervention included a face-to-face component. Estimates were similar for good and fair quality trials at 3 to 4 months and at 6 to 12 months (**Table 6**).

Thirteen trials reported drug use outcomes that could not be pooled.^{47,49,54,62,65,94,95,99-103,118} As in the pooled analyses on drug use outcomes, findings from these trials were inconsistent. Four trials that could not be pooled reported less drug use in the intervention group;^{47,94,99,102} the remaining trials found no differences between groups. None of the trials reported effects of

psychosocial interventions on drug use days enrolled pregnant or postpartum women and no trial stratified effects on drug use days by sex.

Detailed Results: Health, Social and Legal Outcomes

Twenty-two trials reported effects of psychosocial interventions on severity or consequences of drug use, measured using a variety of drug use severity scales (e.g., MPS, DSM-IV Cannabis Problem Scale, the SDS, or the ASSIST scale).^{29,30,32,43,50-52,57-61,64,66,91,93,98,105,106,108,109,111,112} At 3 to 4 months, the effects of psychosocial interventions versus controls (minimal intervention, waitlist, or usual care) on measures of drug use severity ranged from an improvement in the standardized mean difference of -1.00 to a worsening of 0.14. When data were pooled, psychosocial interventions were associated with a small but statistically significant effect on drug use severity (17 trials, SMD -0.18, 95% CI -0.32 to -0.05),^{29,32,43,51,52,58,64,93,98,105,106,108,109} but statistical heterogeneity was high ($I^2=73\%$) (Figure 12). In stratified analyses, psychosocial interventions were associated with a statistically significant effect on drug use severity in persons primarily using cannabis (13 trials, SMD -0.21, 95% CI -0.39 to -0.04, I²=78%)^{43,93,98,106,108,109} but not in persons with mixed substance use (4 trials, SMD -0.05, 95% CI -0.20 to 0.05, $I^2=1.3\%$); $\overline{}^{50,57,59,66}$ however, there was no statistically significant interaction (p for interaction=0.45). Similarly, effects were somewhat stronger in trials of treatment-seeking populations (8 trials, SMD -0.30, 95% CI -0.57 to -0.03, $I^2 = 82\%$)^{29,32,93,98,105,106,108,109} than in trials of screen-detected populations (9 trials, SMD -0.05, 95% CI -0.15 to 0.05, $I^2=17\%$),^{43,50-} ^{52,57-59,64,66} but there was no statistically significant interaction (p for interaction=0.12) (Figure 16). Effects were also somewhat stronger in trials of intensive interventions (6 trials; SMD -0.32, 95% CI -0.70 to 0.06, $I^2 = 89\%$)^{29,32,93,98,108,109} than in trials of brief interventions (12 trials: SMD -0.09, 95% CI -0.20 to -0.002, $I^2=36\%$; p for interaction=0.18)^{29,43,50-52,57-59,64,66,105,106} and in trials that included adults (8 trials, SMD -0.31, 95% CI -0.57 to -0.07, $I^2=82\%$)^{29,32,50,57,66,98,108,109} than in trials of young adults with or without adolescents (6 trials, SMD -0.01, 95% CI -0.15 to 0.08, I²=22%)^{51,52,58,59,93,106} or trials of only adolescents (3 trials, SMD -0.08, 95% CI -0.26 to 0.10, $I^2=0\%$; p for interaction=0.20).^{43,64,105} Among the trials that included adults (including young adults), estimates were similar when one trial of postpartum women (SMD -0.29, 95% CI -0.67 to $(0.10)^{57}$ was excluded (13 trials, SMD -0.19, 95% CI -0.37 to -0.03, I²=79%). There were no subgroup differences based on mode of delivery (face-to-face or non-face-to-face), or study quality (good or fair) (Table 7). In five trials that reported cannabis use severity using the SDS (scale 0 to 15; higher scores indicate higher level of dependence), the mean difference between psychosocial interventions versus control conditions was less than 1 point (-0.66, 95% CI -1.39 to 0.07. $I^2 = 62\%$).

At 6 to 12 months, the effects of psychosocial interventions on measures of drug use severity versus control conditions ranged from an improvement in the SMD of -0.61 to a worsening of 0.11. When data were pooled, there was no difference between psychosocial interventions versus control conditions in drug use severity (13 trials, SMD -0.10, 95% CI -0.24 to 0.02, $I^2=65\%$)^{30,43,51,52,57,58,60,61,64,66,91,106,111,112} (**Figure 13**). There were also no statistically significant differences when trials were stratified according to whether the main drug of use was amphetamines (1 trial, SMD 0.10, 95% CI -0.35 to 0.54),¹¹² cannabis (8 trials, SMD -0.16, 95% CI -0.37 to 0.03, $I^2=72\%$),^{30,43,51,52,58,64,91,106,111} or mixed drugs (4 trials, SMD -0.001, 95% CI - 0.18 to 0.12, $I^2=42\%$).^{57,60,61,66}No study evaluated effects of psychosocial interventions on opioid drug use severity.

Psychological interventions also were not associated with statistically significant effects on drug use severity in subgroups defined by age group, intensity of interventions, or mode of delivery (**Table 7**). However, effects on drug use severity were absent in trials of brief interventions (10 trials, SMD -0.02, 95% CI -0.13 to 0.06, $I^2=35\%$)^{43,51,52,57,58,60,61,64,66,106} and favored psychosocial interventions in trials of intensive interventions (3 trials, SMD -0.36, 95% CI -0.80 to 0.14, $I^2=70\%$; p for interaction=0.03).^{30,91,111,112} Similarly, effects were absent in trials of screendetected populations (9 trials, SMD -0.03, 95% CI -0.15 to 0.06, $I^2=40\%$)^{43,51,52,57,58,60,61,64,66} but favored psychosocial interventions in trials of treatment-seeking populations (4 trials, SMD - 0.23, 95% CI -0.62 to 0.17, $I^2=82\%$; p for interaction=0.27) (**Figure 17**).^{30,91,106,111,112} No trial evaluated effects of psychosocial interventions on drug use severity stratified by patient sex.

Data on effects of psychosocial interventions on other health, social, and legal outcomes was limited. Mortality was reported in four trials. In these trials, there were few mortality events, resulting in imprecise estimates.^{46,60,65,68} Two trials found no differences between psychosocial interventions versus control conditions in risk of emergency department visits or hospital admissions.^{61,65} Six trials found no statistically significant effects of psychosocial interventions on measures related to mental health.^{29,47,61,89,109,110} Two trials found no effect of psychosocial interventions on likelihood of driving after cannabis use^{44,96,97} and four of five trials found no effect on risk of incarceration or involvement in criminal activity.^{46,60,87,89} One trial^{31,107} found a brief intervention associated with decreased likelihood of selling drugs to friends (15% vs. 40%, OR 0.42, p=0.008). Three trials reported inconsistent effects of psychosocial interventions on measures of employment,^{29,99,110} with two trials showing no effects.^{29,110} Six trials found no effects of psychosocial interventions versus control conditions on quality of life or function (measured by the SF-12 Physical Component Scale, EUROHIS, General Health Questionnaire [GHQ]-28, or a 0 to 100 Health-related Quality of Life [HRQOL] scale).^{47,61,65,87,110,112}

Seven trials found no statistically significant differences between psychosocial interventions versus control conditions in injection drug or sexual risk behaviors.^{56,60,61,63,87-90} One other trial found a brief therapist-initiated, computer guided behavioral intervention with a 3 month booster session associated with a reduction in scores on the sexual risk subscale of the HIV Risk Taking Behaviour Scale over 12 months compared with a minimal intervention, but brief interventions that were computer-delivered or did not include a booster session had no significant effects.⁹⁰

KQ2. What are the harms of interventions to reduce drug use?

Summary

- There was no difference between naltrexone versus placebo or versus no naltrexone in risk of withdrawal due to adverse events (3 trials; RR 2.65; 95% CI 0.50 to 14.01; I²=0%), but the estimate was imprecise; three other trials reported no study withdrawals in either naltrexone or control groups.
 - Naltrexone was not associated with increased risk of serious adverse events, but reporting of serious adverse events was suboptimal and few events were reported.
- There was no difference between buprenorphine versus placebo in risk of serious adverse events (3 trials; RR 0.73, 95% CI 0.19 to 2.78; I²=50%); buprenorphine was associated

with increased risk of constipation (2 trials; RR 2.36, 95% CI 1.31 to 4.25, I²=0%; ARD 17%, 95% CI -0.05% to 39%).

- Harms were not reported in two trials of methadone.
- Most psychosocial trials did not report harms, though no serious adverse events were noted; four trials reported no harms.

Evidence

Naltrexone for Opioid Use Disorder

Eleven trials of naltrexone versus placebo or no medication reported harms of treatment (**Appendix B1-3**). Three studies described no or few adverse events during the study in either naltrexone or control groups, but did not provide additional details or data about specific adverse events.^{71,74,78} Among the other studies, three provided data on study withdrawals due to adverse events.^{24,25,73} All reported few events in either group, with no difference between naltrexone and control when pooled, based on an imprecise estimate (RR 2.65; 95% CI 0.50 to 14.01; I²=0%). Three other studies reported no study withdrawals due to adverse events in either group.^{5,69,77} There were also no differences in risk of serious adverse events, including suicide attempts (1 study⁷²; 4% [1/27] vs 0% [0/25]; RR 2.39; 95% CI 0.12 to 65), hospitalizations (1 study⁶⁹; 19% [8/43] vs 3% [1/39]; RR 7.26; 95% CI 0.95 to 55), and undefined serious events (1 study²⁵; 2% [3/126] vs 3% [4/124]; RR 0.74; 95% CI 0.17 to 3.23). One other study⁵ reported no serious adverse events in either group, and one study²⁴ reported no increase in risk of death due to overdose (data not shown for either study). Only one study reported specific adverse events, finding no difference between naltrexone and control in risk of constipation, urinary hesitancy, drowsiness, or sweating.⁶⁹

Opioid Agonist Therapy (Buprenorphine or Methadone) for Opioid Use Disorder

Four trials of opioid agonist therapy versus placebo, each of which evaluated buprenorphine, reported harms (**Appendix B5-7**).^{69,82-84} There was no difference between buprenorphine versus placebo in risk of serious adverse events, which were uncommon (3 trials; RR 0.73, 95% CI 0.19 to 2.78; $I^2=50\%$).^{69,83,84} One trial found no difference between buprenorphine versus placebo in risk of withdrawal due to adverse events (RR 0.89, 95% CI 0.06 to 13.7)⁶⁹ and one trial found no difference in risk of any adverse event (RR 1.14, 95% CI 0.90 to 1.43).⁸⁴ There were also no differences between buprenorphine versus placebo in risk of diaphoresis (3 trials; RR 0.98, 95% CI 0.39 to 2.42; $I^2=64\%$)^{69,82,84} or nausea (3 trials; RR 1.11, 95% CI 0.63 to 1.96; $I^2=0\%$).^{69,82,84} Buprenorphine was associated with increased risk of constipation versus placebo, based on two trials (RR 2.36, 95% CI 1.31 to 4.25, $I^2=0\%$; ARD 17%, 95% CI -0.05% to 39%).^{69,83}

Psychosocial Interventions

Four trials of psychosocial interventions reported no adverse events in either intervention or control groups.^{51,52,56,57} Harms were otherwise not reported in trials of psychosocial interventions, with no serious adverse events noted.⁵⁶

KQ3. Does naloxone reduce morbidity or mortality, or improve other health outcomes in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse? What are the harms of naloxone in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse?

No study evaluated the benefits or harms of preemptive prescribing of naloxone versus placebo or versus no naloxone for mitigating overdose risk in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse in primary care settings. Although one nonrandomized intervention study found provision of naloxone in primary care settings associated with decreased likelihood of opioid-related emergency department visits after 6 months (incidence rate ratio 0.53, 95% CI 0.34 to 0.83) and 1 year (incidence rate ratio 0.37, 95% CI 0.22 to 0.64), the intervention consisted of training and support in naloxone prescribing to providers and clinic staff, and patients were prescribed long-term opioid therapy for pain and were not selected on the basis of drug misuse or abuse.¹²² A trial from the United Kingdom of provision of naloxone upon release to incarcerated adults with heroin injection use was stopped early because two-thirds of naloxone administrations were to persons other than the ex-prisoner. At the time that the study ended, five drug-related deaths had occurred within 12 weeks post-release, among over 1,500 persons randomized.¹²³

Chapter 4. Discussion

Summary of Review Findings

This report updates a 2008 USPSTF review on screening for drug use in adolescents and adults.² It also supplements a 2019 USPSTF screening review by including trials of interventions for drug use conducted in treatment-seeking populations.¹

Table 8 summarizes the evidence reviewed for this update. Compared to the 2008 USPSTF review, substantially more evidence is available to support the effectiveness of FDA-approved pharmacotherapies for treatment of opioid use disorder on drug use outcomes (two trials included in the 2008 USPSTF review, compared with 19 trials in this report) and to support the effectiveness of psychological interventions for cannabis, stimulant, or mixed drug use outcomes (five trials included in the 2008 USPSTF review, compared with 52 trials in this report). Our findings supplement the 2019 USPSTF screening review,¹ which found no consistent evidence that psychosocial interventions are effective at improving drug use or health outcomes, based on 27 trials of persons with unhealthy drug use identified through screening. With the inclusion of 25 additional trials conducted in treatment-seeking populations, we found psychosocial interventions effective for improving drug use outcomes. Effects of psychosocial interventions were generally stronger in treatment-seeking populations than in screen-detected populations, for cannabis use than other drug use outcomes, for shorter-term (3 to 4 month) than longer-term (6 to 12 month) outcomes, and for more intensive interventions versus brief interventions. Few trials evaluated psychosocial interventions for stimulant or opioid use and estimates were imprecise; therefore, effects on these types of drug use are uncertain.

With regard to pharmacotherapies, evidence indicates that naltrexone (an opioid antagonist) and opioid agonists (methadone and the partial agonist buprenorphine) are effective at reducing the likelihood of drug use relapse and increasing the likelihood of retention in treatment. Although the 2008 USPSTF review² also found that pharmacotherapies are effective at improving drug use outcomes, five of the seven trials of pharmacotherapies in the 2008 USPSTF report evaluated medications that are not FDA-approved for treatment of drug use, and are not first-line or recommended treatments. For this report, which was restricted to pharmacological medications approved by FDA as of September 2018, trials were primarily conducted in persons using heroin and/or meeting DSM-IV criteria for opioid use disorder, and medications were typically administered in conjunction with drug use counseling, in accordance with recommended practice.^{8,9} Based on pooled estimates, the number needed to treat to avoid one additional case of relapse was 5.3 for naltrexone and 2.9 for opioid agonists and the number needed to treat for one additional case of treatment retention was 6.7 for naltrexone and 2.6 for opioid agonists. Results were similar when analyses of opioid agonists were stratified according to whether the medication was methadone or buprenorphine. Definitions for relapse varied across trials, though most trials incorporated urine drug test findings. Although statistical heterogeneity was high in the naltrexone analyses, relative risk estimates for drug use abstinence favored naltrexone in 10 of 12 trials and results were consistent in stratified and sensitivity analyses based on the mode of administration, timing of outcome assessment, dose, and study quality. Most naltrexone trials evaluated oral naltrexone, some naltrexone trials recruited patients from the criminal justice system, oral medications were administered daily under direct observation, and almost half of the naltrexone trials were conducted in Russia, where opioid agonist therapy with methadone or buprenorphine is not permitted. These factors could potentially reduce the applicability of findings to current U.S. primary care practice, where pharmacological alternatives to naltrexone are available and extended-release, injectable naltrexone was approved by the FDA in 2010.¹²⁴ Head-to-head trials, which were not included in this report, suggest that extended-release injectable naltrexone is similarly effective as sublingual buprenorphine/naloxone for improving drug use outcomes, though naltrexone can be more difficult to initiate.^{125,126}

Like the 2008 USPSTF review, we found psychosocial interventions to be effective at improving some drug use outcomes when all trials of screen-detected or treatment-seeking populations were included in analyses. Effects were present at 3 to 4 months for increased likelihood of drug use abstinence, decreased number of drug use days, and decreased drug use severity, but at 6 to 12 months were only observed for drug use abstinence. Most trials of psychosocial interventions utilized CBT or motivational interventions, with contingency management evaluated in some trials, and ranged in intensity from one or two session brief interventions to ongoing treatment for months. The majority of trials of psychosocial interventions recruited patients with cannabis use or mixed drug use. Based on overall pooled estimates, psychosocial interventions were associated with a number needed to treat for one additional case of drug use abstinence compared with controls of 11.1 through 6 to 12 months. A factor that complicates interpretation of abstinence findings is that trials varied with regard to how abstinence was assessed, with some trials relying on self-report and others incorporating laboratory measures (drug testing of urine or hair). Psychosocial interventions were also associated with an average reduction of 0.5 drug use days per week and a small but statistically significant decrease in drug use severity at 3 to 4 months (SMD -0.18). Effects on continuous outcomes such as drug use severity and drug use days could be harder to detect than effects on a dichotomous outcome such as drug use abstinence because of variability in baseline drug use severity, including trials that enrolled patients with infrequent drug use or mild drug use severity. Trials of psychosocial interventions were characterized by marked variability in patient populations, interventions, outcomes, recruitment and treatment settings, and other factors, likely contributing for the substantial statistical heterogeneity observed in pooled analyses. Effects of psychosocial interventions tended to be greater in trials of treatment-seeking than screen-detected individuals, trials evaluating cannabis use than those evaluating stimulant or mixed drug use, trials evaluating more intensive rather than brief interventions, and trials of adults rather than adolescents or young adults. However, these findings should be interpreted with caution, as none of these factors fully accounted for statistical heterogeneity, the relatively small number of trials limited the usefulness of subgroup analyses, and most tests for interaction effects were not statistically significant.

Some considerations that might explain why psychosocial interventions appear to be more effective in trials of treatment-seeking than screen-detected populations are that the drug use thresholds for enrolling patients in screening trials (based on measures of drug use severity; frequency or duration or use; or type of drug use) were generally lower than trials of treatment-seeking individuals, and most trials of psychosocial interventions in screen-detected populations evaluated brief interventions, often consisting of a single session. One recent intervention trial conducted in a primary care safety net setting (practices that organize and deliver a significant level of health care and other services to uninsured, Medicaid, and other vulnerable patients)¹²⁷ found that 8 percent of persons identified through screening who met the screening threshold for

trial participation reported use of intravenous drugs in the past 30 days and 30 percent had a DAST-10 score of ≥ 6 , indicating substantial or severe drug use.⁶⁰ Another intervention trial conducted in a primary care setting found that 18 percent of persons meeting the drug use screening threshold for trial participation had an ASSIST score ≥ 27 ,⁶¹ indicating a high risk of dependence.¹²⁸ Neither trial excluded patients with a past history of drug use or current or past treatment for drug use, which could have increased the proportion of patients with more severe drug use. Nonetheless, evidence suggests that some persons with drug use identified on screening in primary care settings may have more severe drug use. The effectiveness of psychosocial interventions implemented in primary care settings might be enhanced by targeting interventions to those patients identified on screening as having more severe drug use and/or by offering more intensive (e.g., multisession) interventions.

As in the 2008 USPSTF report and the 2019 USPSTF screening review, we found limited and inconsistent evidence on the effects of pharmacotherapy and psychological interventions on other health outcomes. Trials were not designed or powered to assess outcomes such as mortality or overdose events, which were infrequently reported, though they appeared to be rare. No trial assessed effects of interventions for drug use on risk of HIV or other infectious diseases associated with injection drug use, though limited evidence from pharmacotherapy trials found no clear effects on HIV risk behaviors. A meta-analysis of observational studies that did not meet inclusion criteria found opioid agonist therapy associated with decreased risk of HIV infection in persons who inject drugs (rate ratio 0.60, 95% CI 0.42 to 0.85, I²=23%, based on 6 studies reporting adjusted risk estimates).¹²⁹ We found limited evidence showing no clear effects of drug use interventions on legal outcomes such as incarceration, criminal activity, quality of life, or social outcomes. However, most trials did not assess these outcomes. The 2008 USPSTF review previously found fair evidence that stopping or reducing drug misuse is associated with reduced mortality and morbidity.² A subsequent meta-analysis of cohort studies found treatment with methadone and buprenorphine associated with decreased mortality risk; retention in treatment was also associated with decreased risk of overdose mortality.¹³⁰

Assessment and reporting of harms in trials of pharmacotherapies was suboptimal, but indicated no increase in risk of serious adverse events or study withdrawal due to adverse events versus placebo or no pharmacotherapy. Buprenorphine was associated with an increased risk of constipation versus placebo (number needed to harm 5.9), though this finding was based on only two trials. Although reporting on harms in trials of methadone included in this review was very limited and inconsistent, observational studies indicate that methadone may be associated with higher risk of constipation relative to buprenorphine.^{131,132} Trials of psychosocial interventions did not assess for harms, though serious harms are not anticipated with this type of intervention.

Evidence on the benefits and harms of preemptive naloxone prescribed in primary care settings for reducing overdose risk in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse is not available. Although one study found coprescription of naloxone to patients prescribed opioids for pain was associated with reduced risk of opioid-related emergency department visits, it was nonrandomized and enrolled patients who did not necessarily have opioid misuse or use disorder.¹²² To date, the effectiveness of naloxone has mainly been demonstrated in the context of evaluations of community opioid overdose prevention and naloxone distribution programs.^{21,22}

Limitations

Our review methods has some limitations. We restricted inclusion to English language articles and did not search for studies published only as abstracts. There was substantial variability in populations, interventions, comparisons, and measurement of outcomes, with unexplained statistical heterogeneity that was only partially explained in stratified and sensitivity analyses based on these and other factors. Therefore, we performed random effects analyses, which result in wider confidence intervals than fixed effects models when statistical heterogeneity is present, reflecting the greater uncertainty in estimates. In addition, we performed analyses using the profile likelihood method, which may be more reliable when statistical heterogeneity is present,¹³³ though results using the profile likelihood and Dersimonian and Laird methods were very similar. The relatively small number of trials limited the usefulness of subgroup and sensitivity analyses; therefore, results of such analyses should be interpreted with caution. We restricted inclusion to trials with at least three months followup, which might have excluded relevant evidence from shorter-term trials. We also excluded head-to-head trials, which are useful for directly assessing the relative effects of different therapies. We did not evaluate the evidence on several therapies that are not considered first-line options for treatment of drug use, such as mindfulness interventions, acupuncture, and music therapy.

There were also limitations in the evidence. Most trials had methodological limitations, though we excluded poor-quality trials with serious flaws and findings were generally similar when we restricted analyses to good quality trials. Trials primarily focused on evaluation of effects of interventions on intermediate outcomes such as drug use or retention in treatment. There was little direct evidence on the effects of interventions on mortality or other clinical, social, and legal outcomes. However, as noted above, the 2008 USPSTF review and other analyses have found limited evidence from observational studies for an association between reduction in opioid (usually heroin) misuse and improved health outcomes.^{2,130} Evidence was also limited on the effectiveness of treatments for opioid use disorder related to prescription drug use and stimulant use. Trials varied in how abstinence was assessed, with some trials relying on self-report and others incorporating results from drug testing of urine or hair. Similarly, drug use severity was assessed using a variety of scales that varied in terms of the extent to which they focused on frequency of use versus consequences of use. For trials of pharmacotherapies, the outcome of retention in treatment often incorporated drug use relapse; therefore, these two drug use outcomes are not independent. Evidence was not available for naloxone for mitigation of risks associated with opioid use disorder or misuse.

Emerging Issues/Next Steps

The FDA approved an injectable, once-monthly buprenorphine formulation for treatment of moderate to severe opioid use disorder in 2017.¹³⁴ The approval was based on two trials showing effectiveness at improving drug use outcomes versus placebo. However, these trials have not yet been published.

A number of pharmacotherapies have been evaluated for treatment of drug use disorder that are not approved by the FDA for this indication, and are not currently recommended treatments. For cannabis use, off-label pharmacotherapies that have been studied include dronabinol, N- acetylcysteine, gabapentin, buspirone, divalproex, and cannabis replacement therapy. For stimulant use disorder, off-label pharmacotherapies that have been studied include modafinil, disulfiram, propanolol, methylphenidate, vigabatrin, topiramate, rivastigmine, naltrexone, and serotoninergic agents.^{135,136}

Relevance for Priority Populations

Drug use is associated with adverse maternal and neonatal outcomes. The only trials of interventions to reduce drug use in pregnant or postpartum women were conducted in screendetected populations and are discussed in more detail in the 2019 USPSTF screening review,¹ which found no clear evidence of benefits in these populations. In this review, no trial evaluated pharmacotherapy for opioid use disorder in pregnant women. The American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists recommends screening for opioid use in pregnant women and opioid agonist therapy with methadone or buprenorphine in those with opioid use disorder.¹³⁷ Evidence to determine whether effects of interventions vary by sex was very limited. Trials did not report effects of pharmacotherapies or psychosocial interventions on drug use abstinence/relapse, retention in treatment, drug use severity, or drug use days stratified by patient sex; few trials evaluated the interaction between drug use interventions.^{4,45,47,54,94,95,110}

Substance use in adolescents is associated with increased risk of adult substance use disorders, and can be associated with serious consequences. We found some evidence suggesting that psychosocial interventions may be less effective at improving drug use outcomes in adolescents or young adults (less than 25 years of age) compared with older adults. Although family-based approaches are a recommended psychosocial technique for treatment of adolescent drug use, no trial of a family-based approach met inclusion criteria.¹⁷ We also did not include trials of schoolbased therapies or community-level therapies, which may be relevant for this population. Although no trial of pharmacotherapy for opioid use disorder in adolescents met inclusion criteria, the FDA approved the use of buprenorphine for patients 16 years and older in 2002.¹³⁸ Methadone can also be used in adolescents, but requires two documented failed treatments of opioid detoxification or drug-free treatment and parental or legal guardian consent.¹³⁹

No trial was designed to assess effectiveness of interventions for drug use specifically in older adults or to determine how effectiveness of interventions varies according to race or ethnicity.

Future Research

Research is needed to determine effective interventions for drug use primarily related to prescription opioids or stimulant use, and for drug use related to illicit opioids that does not meet criteria for an opioid use disorder. In screen-detected populations with unhealthy drug use, trials that target therapies to persons with more severe drug use or evaluate more intensive psychosocial interventions would be helpful for clarifying whether psychosocial interventions that have been shown to improve drug use outcomes in treatment-seeking populations can be effectively applied to screen-detected populations. In trials that identify patients through screening, stratification of results according to drug use severity and whether patients are newly diagnosed or have a history of past drug use would be helpful for understanding the effectiveness

of interventions in these different populations. Ideally, future trials of interventions to reduce drug use should evaluate drug use outcomes using standardized measures as well as health outcomes, including measures of morbidity, quality of life, psychological outcomes, and function. Direct evidence is limited on the effects of drug use interventions on risk of acquisition of HIV and other infectious diseases related to injection drug use. Research is also needed to understand the extent to which the newly FDA-approved extended release injectable buprenorphine formulation impacts treatment uptake of or adherence to this therapy and retention in substance use treatment in the future. Studies are needed to understand optimal interventions in important populations with unique needs such as adolescents, pregnant or postpartum women, and older adults. Finally, research is needed to estimate the effects of naloxone for mitigating overdose risk associated with opioid use disorder or misuse.

Conclusions

Pharmacological and psychosocial interventions are effective at improving some drug use outcomes, but evidence of effectiveness remains primarily derived from trials conducted in treatment-seeking individuals. Although the applicability of data from such trials to persons whose drug use is identified through primary care-based screening is uncertain, trials of screendetected populations indicate that such screening can detect more severe, untreated drug use. The applicability of current evidence on drug use interventions to screening might be greater for the subset of patients screened in primary care settings with severe, untreated drug use who could utilize pharmacotherapies or more intensive psychosocial interventions.

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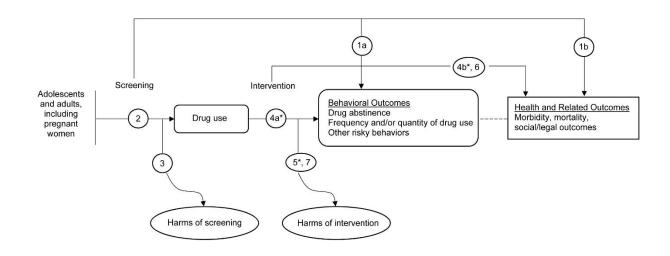
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*Drug use refers to substance use disorders or misuse related to opioids, stimulants, or cannabis, or polysubstance use related to one or more of these drugs for Key Questions 4 and 5.

Note: Numbers on the figure refer to the numbers of the Key Questions.

Key Questions Addressed in a Separate Report¹

1. a. Does primary care screening for drug use* in adolescents and adults, including pregnant women, reduce drug use or improve other risky behaviors?

b. Does primary care screening for drug use* in adolescents and adults, including pregnant women, reduce morbidity or mortality or improve other health, social, or legal outcomes?

- 2. What is the accuracy of drug use screening instruments?
- 3. What are the harms of primary care screening for drug use in adolescents and adults, including pregnant women?

Key Questions Addressed in this Report

- 4. a. Do interventions to reduce drug use[†] reduce drug use or improve other risky behaviors?
- b. Do interventions to reduce drug use[†] reduce morbidity or mortality or improve other health, social, or legal outcomes?
 5. What are the harms of interventions to reduce drug use[†]?
- 6. Does naloxone reduce morbidity or mortality, or improve other health outcomes in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse?
- 7. What are the harms of naloxone in persons with opioid use disorder or misuse?

*Includes illicit drug use and nonmedical pharmaceutical drug use.

[†]Drug use refers to substance use disorders or misuse related to opioids, stimulants, or cannabis, or polysubstance use related to one or more of these drugs for Key Questions 4 and 5.

Figure 2. Naltrexone versus placebo/no medication – relapse

Study, Year	Naltrexone Dose	Timing of Outcome Assessment	Outcome Assessment		RR (95% CI)	Events, Treatment	Events, Control
Oral							
Shufman, 1994	≤50 mg	3 months	On treatment		0.77 (0.49, 1.20)	10/16	13/16
Guo, 2001	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		0.77 (0.60, 0.99)	25/35	13/14
Krupitsky, 2004	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		0.41 (0.22, 0.77)	8/27	18/25
Stella, 2005	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		0.73 (0.48, 1.11)	16/28	11/14
Krupitsky, 2006	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		0.51 (0.39, 0.68)	43/140	84/140
Krupitsky, 2012	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		0.83 (0.67, 1.03)	58/102	70/102
Krupitsky, 2013	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		0.70 (0.54, 0.91)	55/151	78/150
Hollister, 1978	>50 mg	9 months	On treatment	1 0	0.86 (0.55, 1.36)	21/60	26/64
San, 1991	>50 mg	12 months	Post intervention		1.05 (0.64, 1.72)	16/28	12/22
Lerner, 1992	>50 mg	12 months	Post intervention	-	0.75 (0.39, 1.45)	7/15	10/16
Schottenfeld, 200)8 >50 mg	6 months	On treatment		0.98 (0.86, 1.12)	39/43	36/39
Subtotal (I-squar	ed=70%, p=0.000)		\diamond		0.76 (0.65, 0.88)	298/645	371/602
Injection/Implant			1				
Krupitsky, 2012	1000 mg bimonthly	6 months	On treatment		0.19 (0.11, 0.31)	13/102	70/102
Krupitsky, 2011	300 mg every 4 weeks	6 months	On treatment		0.83 (0.71, 0.98)	81/126	96/124
Subtotal (I-squar	red=98%, p=0.000)			>	0.41(0.07, 2.40)	94/228	166/226
53							
Overall (I-square	ed=78%, p=0.000)		Ŷ		0.73 (0.62, 0.85)	392/873	537/828
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			Favors Treatment	Favore Control			

Figure 3. Naltrexone versus placebo/no medication – retention in treatment

Study, Year	Naltrexone Dose	Timing of Outcome Assessmen	Outcome t Assessment			RR (95% CI)	Events, Treatment	Events, Control
Oral								
Shufman, 1994	≤50 mg	3 months	On treatment	8	l i	0.89 (0.46, 1.71)	8/16	9/16
Cornish, 1997	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		<mark>⊢∎¦</mark>	1.50 (0.73, 3.07)	18/34	6/17
Krupitsky, 2004	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment			2.78 (1.03, 7.49)	12/27	4/25
Krupitsky, 2006	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		<u>+</u>	2.50 (1.62, 3.86)	55/140	22/140
Krupitsky, 2012	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment	-	┝─═┼──	1.45 (0.71, 2.98)	16/102	11/102
Krupitsky, 2013	≤50 mg	6 months	On treatment		+	2.67 (1.47, 4.85)	35/151	13/150
San, 1991	>50 mg	12 months	Post intervention	-	÷ i	0.39 (0.14, 1.14)	<mark>4/28</mark>	8/22
Schottenfeld, 200	8 >50 mg	6 months	On treatment	-		1.63 (0.60, 4.45)	9/43	5/39
Subtotal (I-squar	ed=61%, p=0.013)				\diamond	1.59 (1.00, 2.38)	157/541	78/511
Injection/Implant								
Krupitsky, 2012	1000 mg bimonthly	6 months	On treatment			4.91 (2.73, 8.83)	54/102	11/102
Krupitsky, 2011	300 mg every 4 week	s 6 months	On treatment		-∎÷	1.40 (1.06, 1.85)	67/126	47/124
Subtotal (I-square	ed=94%, p=0.000)			4		> 2.48 (0.58, 11.7	5)121/228	58/226
Overall (I-square	d=67%, p=0.000)				\diamond	1.71 (1.13, 2.49)	278/769	136/737
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Figure 4. Opioid agonist therapy versus placebo/no medication - relapse

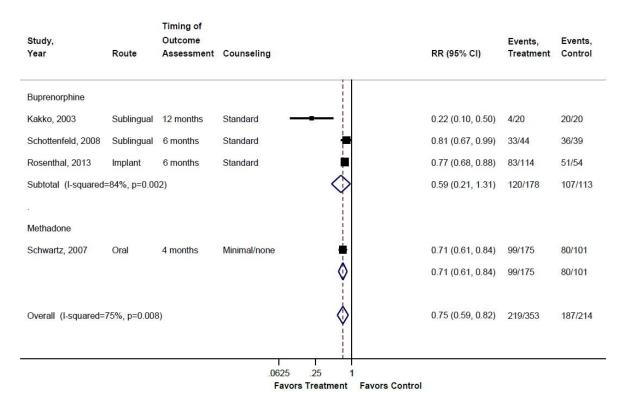
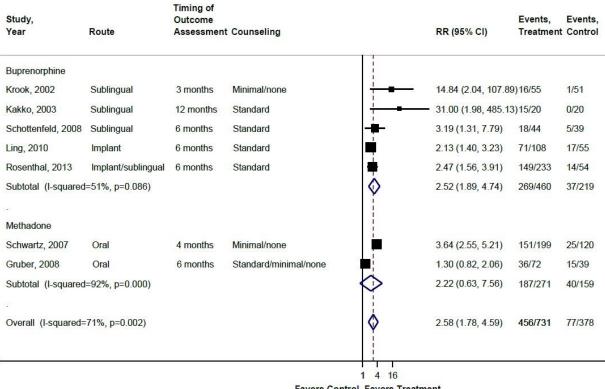


Figure 5. Opioid agonist therapy versus placebo/no medication - retention in treatment



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Overall (I-squared=61%, p=0.001)		, p = .)							and the second	100000	10/56	6/70
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	Overall (I-squared=61%,	, p=0.001)						0	1.60 (1.24	4, <u>2.13</u>)	419/2134	218/150

Figure 6. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions – abstinence at 3- to 4-month followup, stratified by drug

Abbreviations: Adol = adolescent; Adul = adult; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; MI = minimal intervention; Pg = pregnant; Pp = postpartum; RR = relative risk; Tel = telephone; WL = waitlist; Yadult = young adult.

	Screen Detected	Age	Number of	Mada of			Franta	Evente
,,						DD (05% CI)	Events,	Events,
Year	Population	Group	Sessions	Delivery	Control	RR (95% CI)	Treatment	Control
Cannabis								
McCambridge, 2004	No	Adol/YAdu	11	FTF	MI	2.17 (0.88, 5.36)	14/84	6/78
McCambridge, 2008	No	Adol/YAdu	1	FTF	MI	1.30 (0.89, 1.90)	46/164	35/162
Bernstein, 2009	Yes	Adol/YAdu	11	FTF	UC	1.83 (0.98, 3.42)	21/68	12/71
Copeland, 2001	No	Adul	6 or 1	FTF	WL	5.26 (1.28, 21.61)22/117	2/56
Subtotal (I-squared	=36%, p=0.	196)				1.58 (1.17, 3.06)	103/433	55/367
						1		
Mixed						1		
Bernstein, 2005	Yes	Adul	1	FTF	MI	3.82 (2.80, 5.23)	70/143	48/375
Bogenschulz, 2014	Yes	Adul	1	FTF	MI	1.15 (0.82, 1.62)	91/533	40/269
Saitz, 2014	Yes	Adul	1	FTF	MI -B	0.68 (0.35, 1.32)	19/303	14/152
Ondersma, 2014	Yes	PpAdul	1	Comp	MI	1.41 (0.57, 3.49)	10/72	7/71
Ondersma, 2018	Yes	PpAdul	1	Comp	MI	1.04 (0.79, 1.38)	73/252	69/248
Subtotal (I-squared	=92%, p=0.	000)			<	1.38 (0.71, 2.61)	263/1303	178/111
Prescription								
Zahradnik, 2009	Yes	Adul	2	FTF	MI	1.25 (0.65, 2.40)	14/56	14/70
					<	1.25 (0.65, 2.40)	14/56	14/70
Stimulants								
Marsden, 2006	No	Adol/YAdu	11	FTF	MI	1.17 (0.94, 1.46)	86/166	78/176
Baker, 2001	No	Adul	4	FTF	MI	2.72 (1.24, 5.97)	14/24	6/28
Baker, 2005	No	Adul	2	FTF	MI	2.03 (1.18, 3.49)	50/140	13/74
Tait, 2015	No	YAdul	3	Comp	WL	0.67 (0.24, 1.88)	5/38	8/41
Subtotal (I-squared	=65% n=0	034)				1.45 (0.86, 2.56)	155/368	105/319

Figure 7. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions - abstinence at 6- to 12-month followup, stratified by drug

Overall (I-squared=80%, p=0.000)

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Abbreviations: Adol = adolescent; Adul = adult; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; MI = minimal intervention; Pg = pregnant; Pp = postpartum; RR = relative risk; Tel = telephone; UC = usual care; WL = waitlist; YAdult = young adult.

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Study, Year	Type of Drug Use	Age Group	Number of Sessions		Control	RR (95% CI)	Events, Treatment	Events, Control
Treatment seeking								
McCambridge, 2004	Cannabis	Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	MI	3.38 (1.18, 9.72)		4/82
McCambridge, 2008	Cannabis	Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	MI -	1.33 (0.84, 2.10)		26/162
Stephens, 2000	Cannabis	Adul	14 or 2	FTF	WL +	2.38 (1.46, 3.87)		15/86
Babor, 2004	Cannabis	Adul	9	FTF	WL	4.34 (1.75, 10.72	A CONTRACTOR OF	5/137
Gates, 2012	Cannabis	Adul	4	Tel	WL	2.36 (1.29, 4.31)	19/41	12/61
Rooke, 2013	Cannabis	Adul	6	Comp	MI	1.81 (0.58, 5.70)	8/64	4/58
Schaub, 2015	Cannabis	Adul	8	Comp	WL	1.30 (0.43, 3.92)	12/215	4/93
Subtotal (I-squared=2	27.9%, p=0.	215)			\diamond	2.08 (1.51, 3.07)	216/1045	70/679
Screen detected								
Bogenschulz, 2014	Mixed	Adul	1	FTF	MI -	0.70 (0.46, 1.06)		34/287
Gelberg, 2017	Mixed	Adul	1	FTF	MI	1.69 (1.03, 2.76)	15/20	12/27
Yonkers, 2012	Mixed	PgAdul	6	Comp	MI	0.95 (0.59, 1.55)	21/64	22/64
Tzilos Wernette, 2018	Mixed	PaAdul	1	Comp	MI +	1.34 (0.87, 2.05)	24/31	11/19
Ondersma, 2007	Mixed	PpAdul	1	Comp	MI	2.06 (0.87, 4.84)	13/39	6/37
Ondersma, 2014	Mixed	PpAdul	1	Comp	MI	2.68 (1.20, 5.97)	19/72	7/71
Ondersma, 2018	Mixed	PpAdul	1	Comp	MI -	1.08 (0.77, 1.52)	55/252	50/248
Zahradnik, 2009	Prescriptio	The Contraction of the	2	FTF	MI	2.08 (0.81, 5.38)	10/56	6/70
Subtotal (I-squared=			-		♦	1.28 (0.97, 1.84)	203/1089	148/823
Overall (I-squared=6	1.4%, p=0.0	01)			\diamond	1.60 (1.25, 2.13)	419/2134	218/1502
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Figure 8. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions – abstinence at 3- to 4-month followup, stratified by population

Abbreviations: Adol = adolescent; Adul = adult; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; MI = minimal intervention; Pg = pregnant; Pp = postpartum; RR = relative risk; Tel = telephone; WL = waitlist; Yadult = young adult.

Figure 9. Psychosocial Interventions versus control conditions - drug use days, standardized to drug use in the past 7 days at 3- to 4-month followup, stratified by drug

Author,		Screen-detected	Age		Mode of	Number of			Difference in	IG	CG
year	N	population	group	Outcome	delivery	sessions	Control		Change (95% CI)	MD (SD)	MD (SD)
Cannabis								L			
Martin, 2008	40	No	Adol	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	WL	1	-1.47 (-2.99, 0.06)	-1.5 (2.5)	-0.1 (2.4
Babor, 2004	398	No	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	9 or 2	WL 🔶	1	-1.89 (-2.26, -1.52)	2.9 (2.3)	-1.0 (2.1)
Gates, 2012	110	No	Adult	Cannabis use days	Tel	4	WL	1	-1.28 (-2.10, -0.45)	-3.6 (2.1)	-2.3 (2.3)
Rooke, 2013	122	No	Adult	Cannabis use days	Comp	6	Min —	<u> </u>	-0.61 (-1.33, 0.11)	-2.2 (2.0)	-1.5 (2.0)
Schaub, 2015	194	No	Adult	Cannabis use days	Comp	8	WL	÷.	-0.10 (-0.55, 0.35)	-1.5 (2.4)	-1.4 (2.2)
Stephens, 2000	249	No	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	14 or 2	WL	1	-2.30 (-2.76, -1.84)	-4.1 (2.1)	-1.8 (2.2)
Bernstein, 2009	95	Yes	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	UC .	↓	-0.33 (-0.63, -0.02)	-1.1 (2.5)	-0.4 (2.5)
de Dios, 2012	34	No	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	Min	<u> </u>	-1.59 (-3.00, -0.18)		
de Gee, 2014	119	No	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	Min –		0.00 (-0.83, 0.83)	-0.2 (2.3)	-0.2 (2.4)
Fischer, 2012 and 2013	72	No	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min –		-0.02 (-0.76, 0.71)	-0.2 (1.6)	-0.2 (1.5)
Lee, 2010	341	Yes	YAdult	Cannabis use days	Comp	1	None	i 🔶	-0.01 (-0.26, 0.25)	-0.1 (1.2)	-0.1 (1.2)
Lee, 2013	179	Yes	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	None -	. ◆	-0.19 (-0.84, <mark>0.4</mark> 6)	-0.6 (2.2)	-0.4 (2.3)
McCambridge, 2008	326	No	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min -	<u>+</u>	-0.12 (-0.67, 0.44)	-0.7 (2.5)	-0.6 (2.6)
Palfai, 2014	103	Yes	YAdult	Cannabis use days	Comp	1	AC -	<u>+</u>	0.10 (-0.80, 1.00)	0.0 (2.3)	-0.1 (2.4)
Subtotal (I-squared = 88	.8%,	o = 0.000)					<	>	-0.66 (-1.13, -0.21)		
Mixed											
Blow, 2017	305	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	1	UC	¦_ ↓	0.25 (-0.28, 0.78)	-0.2 (2.7)	-0.4 (2.8)
Bogenschutz, 2014	757	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	3	Min	 	-0.00 (-0.38, 0.38)	-1.3 (2.7)	-1.3 (2.7)
Martino, 2018	439	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	1	uc 🚽	÷.	-0.60 (-0.97, -0.23)	-1.5 (2.5)	-0.9 (2.1)
Roy-Byrne, 2014	767	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	2	UC	. +⊷-	0.26 (-0.11, 0.62)	-0.6 (2.7)	-0.8 (2.5)
Woolard, 2013	435	Yes	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	UC ·	.	-0.07 (-0.57, 0.43)	-0.5 (2.6)	-0.4 (2.7)
Subtotal (I-squared = 57	.8%,	o = 0.016)						\diamond	-0.05 (-0.39, 0.31)		
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Overall (I-squared = 88.8	3%, p	= 0.000)					<		-0.48 (-0.84, -0.12)		
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							-3	0 1			
							Favors IG	Favors CG			

Abbreviations: AC = active control; Adol = adolescent; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; IG = intervention group; MD = mean difference; min = minimal intervention; SD = standard deviation; UC = usual care; WL = wait list; YAdult= young adult.

Author,		Screen-detected	Age		Mode of	Number of			Difference in	IG	CG
year	Ν	population	group	Outcome	delivery	sessions	Control		Change (95% CI)	MD (SD)	MD (SD)
Cannabis								1			
Stephens, 2007	101	No	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min	-	-0.93 (-1.62, -0.24)	-1.2 (1.7)	-0.2 (1.8)
Bernstein, 2009	102	Yes	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	uc —	- 1	-1.37 (-2.36, -0.39)	-1.9 (2.5)	-0.5 (2.6)
Fischer, 2012 and 2013	72	No	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min –	+	0.02 (-0.81, 0.86)	-0.4 (1.7)	-0.4 (1.9)
Lee, 2010	341	Yes	YAdult	Cannabis use days	Comp	1	None	+	-0.07 (-0.36, 0.22)	0.1 (1 4)	0.2 (1.4)
Lee, 2013	173	Yes	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	None	-++	0.35 (-0.33, 1.03)	-0.8 (2.2)	-1.1 (2.3)
McCambridge, 2008	326	No	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min	-	0.07 (-0.49, 0.63)	-0.8 (2.6)	-0.9 (2.6)
Palfai, 2014	103	Yes	YAdult	Cannabis use days	Comp	1	AC -	_	0.12 (-0.78, 1.01)	-0.1 (2.3)	-0.2 (2.4)
Subtotal (I-squared = 51	.6%, p	o = 0.027)						\diamond	-0.19 (-0.66, 0.21)		
12											
Mixed											
Blow, 2017	330	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	1	UC	-+++	0.27 (-0.25, 0.79)	-0.6 (2.7)	-0.9 (2.8)
Bogenschutz, 2014	757	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	3	Min		0.51 (0.14, 0.88)	-1.4 (2.6)	-2.0 (2.6)
Martino, 2018	439	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	1	uc –	+ ¦	-0.34 (-0.76, 0.08)	-1.6 (2.7)	-1.3 (2.5)
Roy-Byrne, 2014	868	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	2	UC	+	0.09 (-0.27, 0.46)	-0.7 (2.8)	-0.8 (2.7)
Saitz, 2014	517	Yes	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	2	Min	+	0.05 (-0.36, 0.46)	0.0 (27)	-0.1 (2.7)
Woolard, 2013	426	Yes	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	uc -	→	-0.23 (-0.74, 0.27)	-0.8 (2.6)	-0.6 (2.7)
Marsden, 2006	342	No	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min –	→	-0.24 (-0.82, 0.35)	-0.4 (2.8)	-0.2 (2.7)
Subtotal (I-squared = 42	.9%,	p = 0.060)						\diamond	0.04 (-0.22, 0.28)		
Stimulant											
Stein, 2009	198	No	Adult	Cocaine use days	FTF	4	Min	◆ ‡	-0.47 (-1.17, 0.24)	-1.8 (2.5)	-1.3 (2.5)
Subtotal (I-squared = .%	6, p =	.)					<	\rightarrow	-0.47 (-1.17, 0.24)		
Overall (I-squared = 47.2	2%, p	= 0.008)						0	-0.07 (-0.29, 0.12)		
							-3	0 1			
							Favors IG	Favors CG			

Figure 10. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions - drug use days, standardized to drug use in the past 7 days, at 6- to 12-month followup, stratified by drug

Abbreviations: AC = active control; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to face; IG = intervention group; MD = mean difference; Min = minimal intervention; SD = standard deviation; UC = usual care; YAdult = young adult.

Figure 11. Psychosocial Interventions versus control conditions - drug use days, standardized to drug use in the past 7 days at 3- to 4-month followup, stratified by population

Author,		Type of	Age		Mode of	Number of			Difference in	IG	CG
year	Ν	Drug Use	group	Outcome	delivery	sessions	Control		Change (95% CI)	MD (SD)	MD (SD)
Not Screen-detected								1			
Martin, 2008	40	Cannabis	Adol	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	WL	1	-1.47 (-2.99, 0.06)	-1.5 (2.5)	-0.1 (2.4
Babor, 2004	398	Cannabis	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	9 or 2	WL 🔶	1	-1.89 (-2.26, -1.52)	2.9 (2.3)	-1.0 (2.1
Gates, 2012	110	Cannabis	Adult	Cannabis use days	Tel	4	WL	-	-1.28 (-2.10, -0.45)	-3.6 (2.1)	-2.3 (2.3
Rooke, 2013	122	Cannabis	Adult	Cannabis use days	Comp	6	Min —	<u>€</u>	-0.61 (-1.33, 0.11)	-2.2 (2.0)	-1.5 (2.0
Schaub, 2015	194	Cannabis	Adult	Cannabis use days	Comp	8	WL	÷.	-0.10 (-0.55, 0.35)	-1.5 (2.4)	-1.4 (2.2
Stephens, 2000	249	Cannabis	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	14 or 2	WL 🔶		-2.30 (-2.76, -1.84)	-4.1 (2.1)	-1.8 (2.2
de Dios, 2012	34	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	Min —	1	-1.59 (-3.00, -0.18)		
de Gee, 2014	119	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	Min	⊹ ♠	0.00 (-0.83, 0.83)	-0.2 (2.3)	-0.2 (2.4
Fischer, 2012 and 2013	72	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min		-0.02 (-0.76, 0.71)	-0.2 (1.6)	-0.2 (1.5
McCambridge, 2008	326	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min	÷.	-0.12 (-0.67, 0.44)	-0.7 (2.5)	-0.6 (2.6
Subtotal (I-squared = 86.	2%, p	= 0.000)					<	>	-0.91 (-1.52, -0.31)		
11								I I			
Screen-detected								1			
Blow, 2017	305	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	1	UC	¦ - ←	0.25 (-0.28, 0.78)	-0.2 (2.7)	-0.4 (2.8
Bogenschutz, 2014	757	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	3	Min	·+-	-0.00 (-0.38, 0.38)	-1.3 (2.7)	-1.3 (2.7
Martino, 2018	439	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	1	uc –	↓	-0.60 (-0.97, -0.23)	-1.5 (2.5)	-0.9 (2.1
Roy-Byrne, 2014	767	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	2	UC	. ↓	0.26 (-0.11, 0.62)	-0.6 (2.7)	-0.8 (2.5
Woolard, 2013	435	Mixed	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	UC	++-	-0.07 (-0.57, 0.43)	-0.5 (2.6)	-0.4 (2.7
Bernstein, 2009	95	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	UC	+	-0.33 (-0.63, -0.02)	-1.1 (2.5)	-0.4 (2.5
Lee, 2010	341	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	Comp	1	None	! +	-0.01 (-0.26, 0.25)	-0.1 (1.2)	-0.1 (1.2
Lee, 2013	179	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	None		-0.19 (-0.84, 0.46)	-0.6 (2.2)	-0.4 (2.3
Palfai, 2014	103	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	Comp	1	AC		0.10 (-0.80, 1.00)	0.0 (2.3)	-0.1 (2.4
Subtotal (I-squared = 44.	4%, p	= 0.054)						0	-0.09 (-0.29, 0.13)		
	500000	100 A						1			
Overall (I-squared = 88.8	%, p =	0.000)						\diamond	-0.48 (-0.84, -0.12)		
								1			
							-3	0 1			

Abbreviations: AC = active control; Adol = adolescent; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; IG = intervention group; MD = mean difference; Min = minimal intervention; SD = standard deviation; UC = usual care; WL = wait list; YAdult= young adult.

Study, Year	Age Group	Number of Sessions		Scale	Control	SMD (95% CI)	N, mean (SD); Treatment	N, mean (SD); Control
Cannabis								
Stephens, 2000	Adul	2 or 14	FTF	MDS (0-9)	WL -	-1.00 (-1.28, -0.72)	170, 1.95 (2.72)	79, 4.63 (2.59)
Babor, 2004	Adul	2 or 9	FTF	MPS (0-19)	WL -	-0.13 (-0.34, 0.08)	261, 7.21 (4.46)	137, 7.77 (3.9)
Martin, 2008	Adol	2	FTF	DSM-IV CPS (0-11)	WL	-0.16 (-0.78, 0.46)	20, 3.8 (2.8)	20, 4.2 (2)
McCambridge, 2008	Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	SDS	мі	-0.03 (-0.25, 0.18)	164, 3.4 (3)	162, 3.5 (3.2)
_ee, 2010	Adol/YAdul	1	Comp	RMPI (0-72)	MI -	0.14 (-0.07, 0.36)	171, 2.47 (3.77)	170, 1.99 (2.76
Gates, 2012	Adul	4	Tel	SDS	WL	-0.63 (-1.02, -0.25)	49, 3.2 (3.8)	61, 5.8 (4.3)
_ee, 2013	YAdul	1	FTF	RMPI (10-100)	MI	-0.15 (-0.44, 0.15)	87, 7.84 (5)	90, 8.67 <mark>(</mark> 6)
Walton, 2013	Adol	1	FTF/Comp	RAPI (CA)	UC -	-0.11 (-0.36, 0.14)	183, 12.1 (13.7)	96, 13.6 (15.1)
Rooke, 2013	Adul	6	Web	SDS	MI -	-0.33 (-0.69, 0.02)	64, 5.7 (3.35)	58, 6.82 (3.31)
de Gee, 2014	YAdul	2	FTF	SDS	MI -	-0.04 (-0.40, 0.32)	58, 3 (2.5)	61, 3.1 (2.9)
Palfai, 2014	YAdul	1	Comp	MPS (0-19)	MI	-0.36 (-0.74, 0.01)	55, 2.19 (3)	55, 3. <mark>43 (</mark> 3.74)
Schaub, 2015	Adul	8	Web	SDS	WL	-0.07 (-0.32, 0.17)	215, 5.63 (3.57)	93, 5.9 (3.8)
d'Amico, 2018	Adol	1	FTF	MNC (0-20)	MI H	-0.04 (-0.26, 0.19)	153, 1.67 (5.19)	141, 1.89 (7.19
Subtotal (I-squared=	78%, p=0.00	0)			\diamond	-0.21 (-0.39, -0.04)	1650	1223
olysubstance					1			
Humeniuk, 2011	Adol to Adul	1	FTF	ASSIST (TO)	WL +	-0.01 (-0.28, 0.26)	103, 31.1 (19.7)	115, 31. <mark>3 (</mark> 18.7
Woolard, 2013	Adul	NR	FTF	NIP (TO, 0-19)	uc 🖶	-0.13 (-0.32, 0.06)	211, 2.5 (2.4)	224, 2.8 (2.2)
Ondersma, 2014	PAdul	1	Comp	ASSIST (MA)	MI -=	-0.29 (-0.67, 0.10)	53, 8.6 (5.56)	52, 10.4 (6.9)
Poblete, 2017	YAdul	1	FTF	ASSIST (TO)	мі	0.01 (-0.12, 0.15)	400, 28.1 (14.4)	406, 27.9 (15)
Subtotal (I-squared=	1.3%, p=0.3	86)			0	-0.05 (-0.20, 0.05)	767	797
	3%, p=0.000	11			Ó	-0.18 (-0.32, -0.05)	2417	2020

Figure 12. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions – drug use severity at 3- to 4month followup, stratified by drug

Abbreviations: Adul = adult; Adol = adolescent; ASSIST = Alcohol, Smoking, and Substance Involvement Screening Test; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; DSM-IV CPS = Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition, Compendium of Pharmaceuticals and Specialties; FTF = face-to-face; MA = marijuana subscale; MI = minimal intervention; MDS = Marijuana Dependence Scale; MNC = marijuana negative consequences; MPS = Marijuana Problem Scale; NIP = Noteworthy Index of Problems; NR = not reported; PAdul = postpartum adult; RAPI = Rutgers Alcohol Problems Index; RMPI = Rutgers Marijuana Problem Index; SD = standard deviation; SDS = Severity of Dependence Scale; SMD = standard mean difference; Tel = telephone; TO = total (scale); UC = usual care; WL = waitlist; YAdul = young adult.

	Group	Sessions	Delivery	Scale	Control	SMD (95% CI)	N, Mean (SD); Treatment	N, Mean (SD); Control
Amphetamines					i			
ait, 2015	YAdul	3	Web	ATTS	WL	0.10 (-0.35, 0.54)	38, 13.8 (9.6)	41, 12.8 (11.1)
Subtotal (I-squared = .%,)	o = .)				\diamond	0.10 (-0.35, 0.54)	38	41
					1			
Cannabis					1			
Copeland, 2001a and 2001	b Adul	1 or 6	FTF	SDS	WL !	-0.61 (-0.90, -0.32)	160, 6.72 (4.35)	69, 9.2 (3.2)
Stephens, 2007	Adul	1	FTF	MPS (0-19)	MI	-0.44 (-0.83, -0.04)	49, 3.95 (2.8)	52, 5.21 (2.89)
AcCambridge, 2008	Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	SDS	MI T	0.06 (-0.15, 0.28)	164, 3.6 (3.2)	162, 3.4 (3.2)
.ee, 2010	Adol/YAdul	1	Comp	RMPI (0-72)	MI Ha-	0.11 (-0.10, 0.33)	171, 2.59 (3.96)	170, 2.19 (2.95)
Valton, 2013	Adol	1	FTF/Comp	RAPI (CA)	UC +	0.02 (-0.23, 0.27)	181, 11.8 (13.3)	94, 11.5 (14.4)
.ee, 2013	YAdul	1	FTF	RMPI (10-100)	мі —	-0.04 (-0.34, 0.27)	82, 6.54 (5.3)	83, 6.75 (6.5)
Palfai, 2014	YAdul	1	Comp	MPS (0-19)	MI	-0.39 (-0.78, -0.00)	52, 2.12 (2.51)	51, 2.97 (1.71)
l'Amico, 2018	Adol	1	FTF	MNC (0-20)	MI -	-0.21 (-0.44, 0.02)	153, 0.92 (3.26)	141, 2.36 (9.29)
Subtotal (I-squared = 72%,	p = 0.001)				\diamond	-0.16 (-0.37, 0.03)	1012	822
					1			
olysubstance					1			
Voolard, 2013	Adul	NR	FTF	NIP (TO, 0-19)	UC -	-0.09 (-0.28, 0.10)	206, 2.1 (2.2)	220, 2.3 (2.2)
Ondersma, 2014	PAdul	1	Comp	ASSIST (MA)	мі —	-0.27 (-0.68, 0.14)	47, 10.1 (6.53)	47, 12.1 (8.03)
Saitz, 2014	Adul	1	FTF	ASSIST (0-27)	MI -	-0.02 (-0.21, 0.16)	342, 25.3 (18.5)	175, 25.8 (19.4)
Roy-Byrne, 2014	Adul	1	FTF	ASID	мі і 🗗	0.11 (-0.02, 0.25)	426, 0.1 (0.09)	422, 0.09 (0.09)
Subtotal (I-squared = 43%,	p = 0.157)				0	-0.001 (-0.18, 0.12)	1021	864
					1			
Overall (I-squared = 65%,	o = 0.001)				Ó	-0.10 (-0.24, 0.02)	2071	1727

Figure 13. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions – drug use severity at 6- and 12month followup, stratified by drug

Abbreviations: Adul = adult; Adol = adolescent; ASID = Addiction Severity Index (drugs); ASSIST = Alcohol, Smoking, and Substance Involvement Screening Test; ATTS = amphetamine-type stimulant use; CA = cannabis; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; MA = marijuana subscale; MI = minimal intervention; MPS = Marijuana Problem Scale; NIP = Noteworthy Index of Problems; PAdul = postpartum adult; RAPI = Rutgers Alcohol Problems Index; RMPI = Rutgers Marijuana Problem Index; SD = standard deviation; SDS = Severity of Dependence Scale; SMD = standard mean difference; UC = usual care; WL = waitlist; YAdul = young adult.

Study, Year	Type of Drug Use	Age Group	Number of Sessions	Mode of Delivery	Control			RR (95% CI)	Events, Treatment	Events, Control
Treatment seeking										
McCambridge, 2004	Cannabis	Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	MI		∔∔ ≖	2.17 (0.88, 5.36)	14/84	6/78
McCambridge, 2008	Cannabis	Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	MI		+ -	1.30 (0.89, 1.90)	46/164	35/162
Copeland, 2001	Cannabis	Adul	6 or 1	FTF	WL		<u>⊹</u> →	5.26 (1.28, 21.61)	22/117	2/56
Marsden, 2006	Stimulants	Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	MI		=	1.17 (0.94, 1.46)	86/166	78/176
Baker, 2001	Stimulants	Adul	4	FTF	MI		÷	2.72 (1.24, 5.97)	14/24	6/28
Baker, 2005	Stimulants	Adul	2	FTF	MI			2.03 (1.18, 3.49)	50/140	13/74
Tait, 2015	Stimulants	YAdul	3	Comp	WL		₩	0.67 (0.24, 1.88)	5/38	8/41
Subtotal (I-squared=	57.0%, p=0.030))					\diamond	1.51 (1.14, 2.37)	237/733	148/615
Screen detected										
Bernstein, 2009	Cannabis	Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	UC			1.83 (0.98, 3.42)	21/68	12/71
Bernstein, 2005	Mixed	Adul	1	FTF	MI		-	3.82 (2.80, 5.23)	70/143	48/375
Bogenschulz, 2014	Mixed	Adul	1	FTF	MI			1.15 (0.82, 1.62)	91/533	40/269
Saitz, 2014	Mixed	Adul	1	FTF	MI	-	∎∔→¦	0.68 (0.35, 1.32)	19/303	14/152
Ondersma, 2014	Mixed	PpAdul	1	Comp	MI	-		1.41 (0.57, 3.49)	10/72	7/71
Ondersma, 2018	Mixed	PpAdul	1	Comp	MI		÷	1.04 (0.79, 1.38)	73/252	69/248
Zahradnik, 2009	Prescription	Adul	2	FTF	MI		- = -	1.25 (0.65, 2.40)	14/56	14/70
Subtotal (I-squared=	37.9%, p=0.000))					\diamond	1.42 (0.89, 2.24)	298/1427	204/125
2							I I			
Overall (I-squared=7	9.7%, p=0.000)						\diamond	1.52 (1.14, 2.04)	535/2160	352/187
						.25				
					Fou	ors Control	Favors Treatment			

Figure 14. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions – abstinence at 6- to 12-month followup, stratified by population

Abbreviations: Adol = adolescent; Adul = adult; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; MI = minimal intervention; Pp = postpartum; RR = relative risk; UC = usual care; WL = waitlist; YAdult = young adult.

Figure 15. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions - drug use days, standardized to drug use in the past 7 days, at 6- to 12-month followup, stratified by population

Author,		Type of	Age		Mode of	Number of			Difference in	IG	CG
year	N	Drug Use	group	Outcome	delivery	sessions	Control		Change (95% CI)	MD (SD)	MD (SD)
Not Screen-detected								1			
Stein, 2009	198	Stimulant	Adult	Cocaine use days	FTF	4	Min		-0.47 (-1.17, 0.24)	-1.8 (2.5)	-1.3 (2.5)
Stephens, 2007	101	Cannabis	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min	—	-0.93 (-1.62, -0.24)	-1.2 (1.7)	-0.2 (1.8)
Fischer, 2012 and 2013	72	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min	_ _	0.02 (-0.81, 0.86)	-0.4 (1.7)	-0.4 (1.9)
Marsden, 2006	342	Mixed	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min		-0.24 (-0.82, 0.35)	-0.4 (2.8)	-0.2 (2.7)
McCambridge, 2008	326	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	Min	-	0.07 (-0.49, 0.63)	-0.8 (2.6)	-0.9 (2.6)
Subtotal (I-squared = 12.5	5%, p =	= 0.221)						\diamond	-0.29 (-0.69, 0.09)		
29											
Screen-detected											
Blow, 2017	330	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	1	UC	- +	0.27 (-0.25, 0.79)	-0.6 (2.7)	-0.9 (2.8)
Bogenschutz, 2014	757	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	3	Min	-	0.51 (0.14, 0.88)	-1.4 (2.6)	-2.0 (2.6)
Martino, 2018	439	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	1	UC		-0.34 (-0.76, 0.08)	-1.6 (2.7)	-1.3 (2.5)
Roy-Byrne, 2014	868	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	2	UC	-	0.09 (-0.27, 0.46)	-0.7 (2.8)	-0.8 (2.7)
Saitz, 2014	517	Mixed	Adult	Drug use days	FTF	2	Min	+	0.05 (-0.36, 0.46)	0.0 (2.7)	-0.1 (2.7)
Woolard, 2013	426	Mixed	Adult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	UC	_ _	-0.23 (-0.74, 0.27)	-0.8 (2.6)	-0.6 (2.7)
Bernstein, 2009	102	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	2	UC —	→	-1.37 (-2.36, -0.39)	-1.9 (2.5)	-0.5 (2.6)
Lee, 2010	341	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	Comp	1	None	+	-0.07 (-0.36, 0.22)	0.1 (1.4)	0.2 (1.4)
Lee, 2013	173	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	FTF	1	None	-++	0.35 (-0.33, 1.03)	-0.8 (2.2)	-1.1 (2.3)
Palfai, 2014	103	Cannabis	YAdult	Cannabis use days	Comp	1	AC	 	0.12 (-0.78, 1.01)	-0.1 (2.3)	-0.2 (2.4)
Subtotal (I-squared = 44.	0%, p=	= 0.015)						•	0.02 (-0.24, 0.23)		
20								{			
Overall (I-squared = 47.29	%, p = (0.008)						4	-0.07 (-0.29, 0.12)		
							1				
							-3	0 1			

Abbreviations: AC = active control; CG = control group; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; IG = intervention group; Min = minimal intervention; SD = standard deviation; UC=usual care; YAdult = young adult.

Study, Year	Age Group	Number of Sessions		Scale	Type of Drug Use	SMD (95% CI)	N, mean (SD); Treatment	N, mean (SD); Control
Non-Screen-detect	ed Population	1			1			
Stephens, 2000	Adul	2 or 14	FTF	MDS (0-9)	Cannabis -	-1.00 (-1.28, -0.72)	170, 1.95 (2.72)	79, 4.63 (2.59)
Babor, 2004	Adul	2 or 9	FTF	MPS (0-19)	Cannabis 🕂	-0.13 (-0.34, 0.08)	261, 7.21 (4.46)	137, 7.77 (3.9)
McCambridge, 200	8 Adol/YAdul	1	FTF	SDS	Cannabis	-0.03 (-0.25, 0.18)	164, 3.4 (3)	162, 3.5 (3.2)
Martin, 2008	Adol	2	FTF	DSM-IV CPS (0-11)	Cannabis -	-0.16 (-0.78, 0.46)	20, 3.8 (2.8)	20, 4.2 (2)
Gates, 2012	Adul	4	Tel	SDS	Cannabis -	-0.63 (-1.02, -0.25)	49, 3.2 (3.8)	61, 5.8 (4.3)
Rooke, 2013	Adul	6	Web	SDS	Cannabis -	-0.33 (-0.69, 0.02)	64, 5.7 (3.35)	58, 6.82 (3.31)
de Gee, 2014	YAdul	2	FTF	SDS	Cannabis -	-0.04 (-0.40, 0.32)	58, 3 (2.5)	61, 3.1 (2.9)
Schaub, 2015	Adul	8	Web	SDS	Cannabis -	-0.07 (-0.32, 0.17)	215, 5.63 (3.57)	93, 5.9 (3.8)
Subtotal (I-square	d=82.3%, p=0	.000)			\diamond	-0.30 (-0.57, -0.03	1001	671
2								
Screen-detected P	opulation				1			
Lee, 2010	Adol/YAdul	1	Comp	RMPI (0-72)	Cannabis I	0.14 (-0.07, 0.36)	171, 2.47 (3.77)	170, 1.99 (2.76
Humeniuk, 2011	Adol to Adu	11	FTF	ASSIST (TO)	Polysubstance	-0.01 (-0.28, 0.26)	103, 31.1 (19.7)	115, 31.3 (18.7
Woolard, 2013	Adul	NR	FTF	NIP (TO, 0-19)	Polysubstance	-0.13 (-0.32, 0.06)	211, 2.5 (2.4)	224, 2.8 (2.2)
Walton, 2013	Adol	1	FTF/Comp	RAPI (CA)	Cannabis	-0.11 (-0.36, 0.14)	183, 12.1 (13.7)	96, 13.6 (15.1)
Lee, 2013	YAdul	1	FTF	RMPI (10-100)	Cannabis	-0.15 (-0.44, 0.15)	87, 7.84 (5)	90, 8.67 (6)
Palfai, 2014	YAdul	1	Comp	MPS (0-19)	Cannabis -	-0.36 (-0.74, 0.01)	55, 2.19 (3)	55, 3.43 (3.704
Ondersma, 2014	PAdul	1	Comp	ASSIST (MA)	Polysubstance	-0.29 (-0.67, 0.10)	53, 8.6 (5.56)	52, 10.4 (6.9)
Poblete, 2017	YAdul	1	FTF	ASSIST (TO)	Polysubstance	0.01 (-0.12, 0.15)	400, 28.1 (14.4)	406, 27.9 (15)
d'Amico, 2018	Adol	1	FTF	MNC (0-20)	Cannabis -	-0.04 (-0.26, 0.19)	153, 1.67 (5.19)	141, 1.89 (7.19
Subtotal (I-square	d=16.6%, p=0	.295)			0	-0.05 (-0.15, 0.05)	1416	1349
Overall (I-squared	=73.2%, p=0	.000)			•	-0.18 (-0.32, -0.05	2417	2020

Figure 16. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions – drug use severity at 3- to 4month followup, stratified by population

Abbreviations: Adul = adult; Adol = adolescent; ASSIST = Alcohol, Smoking, and Substance Involvement Screening Test; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; DSM-IV CPS = Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition, Compendium of Pharmaceuticals and Specialties; FTF = face-to-face; MA = marijuana subscale; MDS = Marijuana Dependence Scale; MNC = marijuana negative consequences; MPS = Marijuana Problem Scale; NIP = Noteworthy Index of Problems; NR = not reported; PAdul = postpartum adult; RAPI = Rutgers Alcohol Problems Index; RMPI = Rutgers Marijuana Problem Index; SD = standard deviation; SDS = Severity of Dependence Scale; SMD = standard mean difference; Tel = telephone; TO = total (scale); YAdul = young adult.

Figure 17. Psychosocial interventions versus control conditions – drug use severity at 6- and 12month followup, stratified by population

Study,	Age	Number of		Fools	Type of	SMD (95% CI)	N, mean (SD); Treatment	N, mean (SD);
Year	Group	Sessions	Delivery	Scale	Drug Use	SMD (95% CI)	Treatment	Control
Non-Screen-detected Pop	ulation				1			
Copeland, 2001a, 2001b	Adul	1 or 6	FTF	SDS	Cannabis —	-0.61 (-0.90, -0.32)160, 6.72 (4.35)	69, 9.2 (3.2)
Stephens, 2007	Adul	1	FTF	MPS (0-19)	Cannabis	-0.44 (-0.83, -0.04)49, 3.95 (2.8)	52, 5.21 (2.89)
McCambridge, 2008	Adol/YAd	ul 1	FTF	SDS	Cannabis 1	0.06 (-0.15, 0.28)	164, 3.6 (3.2)	162, 3.4 (3.2)
Tait, 2015	YAdul	3	Web	ATTS	Amphetamines	0.10 (-0.35, 0.54)	38, 13.8 (9.6)	41, 12.8 (11.1)
Subtotal (I-squared=81.9	%, p=0.001)			\diamond	-0.23 (-0.62, 0.17)	411	324
Screen-detected Population	on				Î.			
Lee, 2010	Adol/YAd	ul 1	Comp	RMPI (0-72)	Cannabis	0.11 (-0.10, 0.33)	171, 2.59 (3.96)	170, 2.19 (2.95
Lee, 2013	YAdul	1	FTF	RMPI (10-100)) Cannabis	-0.04 (-0.34, 0.27)	82, 6.54 (5.3)	83, 6.75 (6.5)
Walton, 2013	Adol	1	FTF/Comp	RAPI (CA)	Cannabis	0.02 (-0.23, 0.27)	181, 11.8 (13.3)	94, 11.5 (14.4)
Woolard, 2013	Adul	NR	FTF	NIP (TO, 0-19)) Polysubstance	-0.09 (-0.28, 0.10)	206, 2.1 (2.2)	220, 2.3 (2.2)
Saitz, 2014	Adul	1	FTF	ASSIST (0-27)	Polysubstance	-0.02 (-0.21, 0.16)	342, 25.3 (18.5)	175, 25.8 (19.4
Ondersma, 2014	PAdul	1	Comp	ASSIST (MA)	Polysubstance	-0.27 (-0.68, 0.14)	47, 10.1 (6.53)	47, 12.1 (8.03)
Roy-Byrne, 2014	Adul	1	FTF	ASID	Polysubstance	0.11 (-0.02, 0.25)	426, 0.1 (0.09)	422, 0.09 (0.09
Palfai, 2014	YAdul	1	Comp	MPS (0-19)	Cannabis	-0.39 (-0.78, -0.00)52, 2.12 (2.51)	51, 2.97 (1.71)
d'Amico, 2018	Adol	1	FTF	MNC (0-20)	Cannabis -	-0.21 (-0.44, 0.02)	153, 0.92 (3.26)	141, 2.36 (9.29
Subtotal (I-squared=40.2	%, p=0.099)			0	-0.03 (-0.15, 0.06)	1660	1403
					1			
Overall (I-squared=64.8%	, p=0.001)				Ó	-0.10 (-0.24, 0.02)	2071	1727
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Abbreviations: Adul = adult; Adol = adolescent; ASID = Addiction Severity Index (drugs); ASSIST = Alcohol, Smoking, and Substance Involvement Screening Test; ATTS = amphetamine-type stimulant use; CA = cannabis; CI = confidence interval; Comp = computer; FTF = face-to-face; MA = marijuana subscale; MPS = Marijuana Problem Scale; NIP = Noteworthy Index of Problems; PAdul = postpartum adult; RAPI = Rutgers Alcohol Problems Index; RMPI = Rutgers Marijuana Problem Index; SD = standard deviation; SDS = Severity of Dependence Scale; SMD = standard mean difference; YAdul = young adult.

Drug	Author, year Country N Quality	Population Intervention vs. control	Intervention; route of administration	Dose	Duration of treatment	Relapse Intervention vs. control	Retention in treatment Intervention vs. control
Naltrexone	Cornish, 1997 ⁷⁰ U.S. N=51 <i>Fair</i>	<i>NR by intervention group</i> Mean age 39 years 10% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: NR	Naltrexone; oral	25 mg, titrated to 100 mg on Tuesday and 150 mg on Friday	6 months	Proportion of opioid- positive urine tests 8% vs. 30% (n/N NR) p<0.05	52% (18/34) vs. 33% (6/17)*; RR 1.50; 95% CI 0.73 to 3.07
	Guo, 2001⁵ China N=49 <i>Fair</i>	Mean age 25 vs. 27 years 11% vs. 7% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 3.6 vs. 3.6 years	Naltrexone; oral		6 months	Not defined 71% (25/35) vs. 93% (13/14); RR 0.77; 95% Cl 0.60 to 0.99	NR
	Hollister, 1978 ⁷¹ U.S. N=192 <i>Fair</i>	Mean age NR 0% vs. 0% female Primary opioid of use: NR Duration of use: NR	Naltrexone; oral	50 mg to 100-150 mg	9 months	 ≥1 positive samples, among patients with ≥5 urine samples 35% (21/60) vs. 41% (26/64); RR 0.86; 95% CI 0.55 to 1.36 	NR
	Russia N=52 <i>Fair</i>	Mean age 23 vs. 21 years 11% vs. 28% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 2.3 vs. 2.9 years	Naltrexone; oral	50 mg	6 months	 ≥3 opioid-positive urine tests or signs/ symptoms of withdrawal 30% (8/27) vs. 72% (18/25); RR 0.41; 95% CI 0.22 to 0.77 	
	Russia N=280 <i>Fair</i>	Mean age 24 vs. 23 years 25% vs. 31% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 3.8 vs. 3.4 years	Naltrexone; oral		6 months	Reported everyday heroin use, ≥3 consecutive opioid- positive urine tests, or signs/symptoms of withdrawal 31% (43/140) vs. 60% (84/140); RR 0.51 95% CI 0.39 to 0.68	39% (55/140) vs. 16% (22/140); RR 2.50; 95% CI 1.62 to 3.86
	Krupitsky, 2011 ²⁵ Russia N=250 <i>Good</i>	Mean age 29 vs. 30 years 10% vs. 14% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 9.1 vs. 10.0 years	Naltrexone; injectable	300 mg every 4 weeks	6 months	Positive urine drug test or self-reported opioid use 64% (81/126) vs. 77% (96/124); RR 0.83; 95% Cl 0.71 to 0.98	53% (67/126) vs. 38% (47/124); RR 1.40; 95% CI 1.06 to 1.85

Drug	Author, year Country N <i>Quality</i>	Population Intervention vs. control	Intervention; route of administration	Dose	Duration of treatment	Relapse Intervention vs. control	Retention in treatment Intervention vs. control
Naltrexone	Krupitsky, 2012 ²⁴ and Krupitsky, 2016 ⁷⁵ Russia N=306 <i>Good</i>	Mean age 28 vs. 28 vs. 29 years 28% vs. 28% vs. 28% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 7.8 vs. 7.9 vs. 8.3 years	A: Naltrexone; implant B: Naltrexone; oral	A: 1,000 mg bimonthly B: 50 mg	6 months		A: 53% (54/102) vs. B: 16% (16/102) vs. placebo: 11% (11/102); A vs. placebo: RR 5.40; 95% Cl 2.30 to 12.66; B vs. placebo: RR 1.33; 95% Cl 0.56 to 3.20
	Krupitsky, 2013 ⁷⁴ Russia N=301 <i>Good</i>	Mean age 28 vs. 28 years 16% vs. 19% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 8.1 vs. 8.5 years	Naltrexone; oral	50 mg	6 months	Daily heroin use, 3 consecutive opioid- positive urine tests, or signs/ symptoms of withdrawal 36.4% (55/151) vs. 52.0% (78/150); RR 0.70; 95% CI 0.54 to 0.91	23% (35/151) vs. 8.7% (13/150); RR 2.67; 95% CI 1.47 to 4.85
	Lerner, 1992 ⁷⁶ Israel N=31 <i>Fair</i>	<i>NR by intervention group</i> Mean age 27 years % female: NR Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 2.8 years	Naltrexone; oral		2 months (12 month follow-up)	Positive urine drug test, 12 months 47% (7/15) vs. 62% (10/16); RR 0.75; 95% CI 0.39 to 1.45	NR (only reported through 2 months)
	San, 1991 ⁷⁷ Spain N=50 <i>Fair</i>	Mean age 26 vs. 27 years 21% vs. 27% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 6.5 vs. 8.0 years	Naltrexone; oral	100 mg Monday and Wednesday, 150 mg Friday	6 months (12 month follow-up)		14% (4/28) vs. 36% (8/22); RR 0.39; 95% CI 0.14 to 1.14

Author, year Country N <i>Quality</i>	Population Intervention vs. control	Intervention; route of administration	Dose	Duration of treatment		Retention in treatment Intervention vs. control
2008 ^{69†} Malaysia	Mean age 38 vs. 36 years % female: NR Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 16.4 vs. 14.8 years	Naltrexone; oral	50 mg, titrated to 100-150 mg	6 months		
Israel N=32 <i>Fair</i>	Mean age 34 vs. 32 years 0% vs. 0% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 6.7 vs. 5.9 years	Naltrexone; oral	25 mg, titrated to 50 mg	3 months		50% (8/16) vs. 56% (9/16); RR 0.89; 95% Cl 0.46 to 1.71
	Mean age: NR % female: NR Primary opioid of use: NR Duration of use: NR	Naltrexone; oral	50 mg	6 months	Not defined 57% (16/28) vs. 79% (11/14); RR 0.75; 95% Cl 0.63 to 0.90	NR
Sweden		Buprenorphine; sublingual	16 mg/day	12 months	samples within last 3 months	Voluntary or involuntary withdrawal: 75% (15/20) vs. 0% (0/20); RR 33.00 (95% CI 2.11 to 515.05)
Norway N=106 <i>Fair</i>		Buprenorphine; sublingual	16 mg/day	3 months		29% (16/55) vs. 2% (1/51); RR 14.84 (95% CI 2.04 to 107.89)
U.S. N=163 <i>Fair</i>	Mean age 36 vs. 39 years 33% vs. 27% female Primary opioid of use: heroin (63%); prescription pain medication (37%) Duration of use: NR; duration >5 years: 16% vs. 14%	Buprenorphine; implant	320 mg	6 months		66% (71/108) vs. 31% (17/55); RR 2.13 (95% Cl 1.40 to 3.23)

Drug Buprenorphine	Quality Rosenthal, 2013 ⁸⁴ U.S. N=287 Good	37% vs. 40% vs. 43% female Primary opioid of use: heroin (62%); prescription pain medication (37%); unspecified other (1%) Duration of use: NR; proportion	Buprenorphine;	Dose A: 320 mg	Duration of treatment 6 months	Relapse Intervention vs. control >50% of urine samples negative for opioids: A: 72.8% (83/114) vs. B: NR vs. placebo: 94.4% (51/54); A vs. placebo: RR 0.77 (95% CI 0.68 to 0.88	Retention in treatment Intervention vs. control Completed trial A: 64% (73/114) vs. B: 64% (76/119) vs. placebo: 26% (14/54); (A or B) vs. placebo: RR 2.5 (95% Cl 1.6 to 3.9)
	Schottenfeld, 2008 ^{69†} Malaysia N=83		sublingual	titrated to 16 to 24 mg/day	6 months	urine tests or opiate positive test followed by two consecutive positive or missing tests: 75% (33/44) vs. 92% (36/39); RR 0.81 (95% CI 0.67 to 0.99)	
	N=111 <i>Fair</i>	Mean age 43 vs. 40 vs. 43 years 46% vs. 46% vs. 26% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 16.6 vs. 16.9 vs. 20.4 years	oral (+ minimal counseling)	mg/day	6 months	(days) A: 5.9 (SD 7.7) vs. B: 4.2 (SD 6.7) vs.	Retention at 8.5 months A: 48.6% (17/35) vs. B: 51.4% (19/37) vs. placebo: 38.5% (15/39): (A or B) vs. placebo: RR 1.30 (95% Cl 0.82 to 2.06)
	Schwartz, 2006 ⁶ ;	Mean age 41 vs. 42 years 42% vs. 38% female Primary opioid of use: heroin Duration of use: 18 vs. 19 years	,	Mean 78.4 mg/day	4 months	Opioid-positive drug test: 57% (99/175) vs. 79% (80/101); RR 0.71 (95% CI 0.61 to 0.84)	Entered into methadone treatment: 76% (151/199) vs. 21% (25/120); RR 3.64 (95% Cl 2.55 to 5.21)

*n/N estimated from reported denominators and proportions.

[†]Study included naltrexone, buprenorphine and control arms; total N=126.

Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; NR = not reported; RR = risk ratio; SD = standard deviation; U.S. = United States.

Table 2. Naltrexone Trials – Relapse and Retention in Treatment

Outcome Study Characteristics	Details	Number of trials	Relative risk (95% confidence interval)	²
Relapse, all trials	-	12	0.72 (0.62 to 0.85)	78%
Route of administration	Oral	11	0.76 (0.65 to 0.88)	70%
p for interaction=0.13	Injection or implant	2	0.41 (0.06 to 2.40)	98%
Timing of outcome	On treatment	10	0.71 (0.59 to 0.84)	82%
assessment p for interaction=0.36	Post intervention	2	0.93 (0.54 to 1.50)	0%
Study quality	Good quality	3	0.67 (0.48 to 0.94)	84%
p for interaction=0.52	Fair quality	9	0.76 (0.61 to 0.91)	78%
Naltrexone dose (oral	≤50 mg/day	7	0.69 (0.58 to 0.81)	47%
administration) p for interaction=0.70	>50 mg/day	4	0.97 (0.81 to 1.11)	0%
Retention in treatment, all trials	-	9	1.71 (1.13 to 2.49)	67%
Route of administration	Oral	8	1.59 (1.00 to 2.38)	61%
p for interaction=0.37	Injection or implant	2	2.48 (0.58 to 11.75)	94%
Timing of outcome	On treatment	8	1.89 (1.36 to 2.65)	59%
assessment p for interaction=0.05	Post intervention	1	0.39 (0.14 to 1.14)	
Study quality	Good quality	3	2.10 (1.21 to 4.13)	78%
p for interaction=0.33	Fair quality	6	1.43 (0.78 to 2.47)	67%
Naltrexone dose (oral	≤50 mg/day	6	1.84 (1.22 to 2.71)	49%
administration) p for interaction=0.18	>50 mg/day	2	0.82 (0.14 to 4.48)	73%

Table 3. Opioid Agonist Trials – Relapse and Retention in Treatment

Outcome Study Characteristics	Details	Number of trials	Relative risk (95% confidence interval)	I ²
Relapse, all trials	-	4	0.75 (0.59 to 0.82)	75%
Drug	Buprenorphine	3	0.59 (0.21 to 1.31)	84%
p for interaction=0.78	Methadone	1	0.71 (0.61 to 0.84)	
Type of counseling	Standard counseling	3	0.59 (0.21 to 1.31)	84%
p for interaction=0.78	No counseling	1	0.71 (0.61 to 0.84)	
Study quality	Good quality	2	0.75 (0.65 to 0.85)	0%
p for interaction=0.54	Fair quality	2	0.46 (0.08 to 2.19)	93%
Buprenorphine route of	Sublingual	2	0.46 (0.08 to 2.19)	93%
administration p for interaction=0.70	Implant	1	0.77 (0.68 to 0.88)	
Retention in treatment, all trials	-	7	2.58 (1.78 to 4.59)	71%
Drug	Buprenorphine	5	2.52 (1.89 to 4.74)	51%
p for interaction=0.54	Methadone	2	2.22 (0.63 to 7.56)	92%
Type of counseling	Standard counseling	5	2.09 (1.54 to 3.33)	56%
p for interaction=0.79	Minimal or no counseling	3	2.78 (0.93 to 13.74)	86%
Study quality	Good quality	2	3.15 (1.90 to 4.81)	42%
p for interaction=0.72	Fair quality	5	2.34 (1.41 to 9.20)	73%
Buprenorphine route of	Sublingual	4	2.95 (1.97 to 12.06)	57%
administration p for interaction=0.46	Implant	2	2.27 (1.58 to 3.31)	0%

Author, year Country N Quality	Population Type of drug use	Screen- detected?	Type of intervention		Number of	Duration of sessions (hours, unless otherwise stated)	Control	Timing of outcome assessment (months)
Babor, 2004 ²⁹ U.S. N=450 <i>Good</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	A. Multicomponent (MET + CBT + case management) B. Brief MET		A. 9	A. NR B. 1	Waitlist	4
Baker, 2001a ⁸⁷ and Baker, 2001b ⁸⁸ Australia N=64 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Amphetamines	No	A. CBT + MI B. Brief CBT	A. Face-to-face B. Face-to-face		A. 0.5-1 B. 0.5-1	Minimal intervention	6
Baker, 2005 ⁸⁹ Australia N=214 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Amphetamines	No	A. CBT + MI B. Brief CBT			A. 0.75-1 B. 0.75-1	Minimal intervention	6
Bernstein, 2005⁴ U.S. N=1,175 <i>Fair</i>	Adults Cocaine; heroin	Yes*	Brief MI + telephone booster	Face-to-face; telephone	1	10-45 minutes	Minimal intervention	6
Bernstein, 2009 ⁴⁴ U.S. N=139 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent/ Young Adult Cannabis	Yes	Brief MI	Face-to-face; telephone	1	20-30 minutes + 5-10 minute telephone booster call	Usual care	12
Blow, 2017 ⁴⁵ Bonar, 2018 ⁹⁰ U.S. N=780 <i>Good</i>	Adult Cannabis	Yes	A. Brief MI, computer- delivered B. Brief MI, therapist- delivered	A. Computer B. Face-to-face	A. 1 B. 1	A. 30 minutes B. 30 minutes	Usual care	12
Bogenschulz, 2014 ⁴⁶ and Bogenschulz, 2011 ¹¹⁴ U.S. N=854 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Multiple drugs (18% street opioids; 5% prescription opioids)	Yes	Brief MI + telephone booster	telephone	1 + 2 telephone booster calls	NR	Minimal intervention	12

Quality		Screen- detected?	Type of intervention	Method of	Number of sessions	Duration of sessions (hours, unless otherwise stated)	Control	Timing of outcome assessment (months)
Copeland, 2001a ³⁰ and Copeland, 2001b ⁹¹ Australia N=229 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	A. CBT B. CBT	A. Face-to-face B. Face-to-face		A. 1 B. 1.5	Waitlist	6
D'Amico, 2018 ⁴³ U.S. N=294 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent Cannabis	Yes	Brief MI	Face-to-face	1	0.25-0.33	Minimal intervention	12
de Dios, 2012 ⁹² U.S. N=34 <i>Fair</i>	Young Adult Cannabis	No	Brief MET + mindfulness meditation	Face-to-face	2	NR	Minimal intervention	3
de Gee, 2014 ⁹³ The Netherlands N=119 <i>Good</i>	Young Adult Cannabis	No	MI	Face to face	2	1.5	Minimal intervention	3
Dembo, 2016 ⁹⁴ U.S. N=300 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent Cannabis	No	A. Brief MET + CBT (youth only) B. Brief MET (youth and parent)		A. 2 B. 2	A. 1.5 B. 1.5	Usual care	18
Dupont, 2016 ⁹⁵ The Netherlands N=131 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent/ Young Adult Cannabis	No	MET	Face-to-face	4	NR	Usual care	6
Canada N=134 <i>Fair</i>	Young Adult Cannabis	No	Brief oral or written intervention consisting of short, fact-based and nonjudgmental information on cannabis- related health risks	Face-to-face	1	30 minutes	Minimal intervention	12
Gates, 2012 ⁹⁸ Australia N=149 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	CBT + MI	Telephone	4	1	Waitlist	3

Author, year Country N <i>Quality</i>		Screen- detected?	Type of intervention	Method of delivery	Number of sessions	Duration of sessions (hours, unless otherwise stated)	Control	Timing of outcome assessment (months)
Gelberg, 2015 ⁴⁷ and Baumeister, 2014 ¹¹³ U.S. N=334 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Multiple drugs (7% opioids)	Yes*	Brief MI + telephone booster	Face-to-face; telephone	1 + 2 telephone booster calls	3-4 minutes + 20-30 minute telephone booster	Minimal intervention	3
Gelberg, 2017 ⁴⁸ U.S. N=65 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Multiple drugs (11% opioids)	Yes*	Brief MI + telephone booster	Face-to-face; telephone	1 + 2 telephone booster calls	3-4 minutes + 20-30 minute telephone booster	Minimal intervention	3
Gryczynski, 2016 ⁴⁹ United States N=80 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Multiple drugs (24% opioids [proportion of patients at moderate risk])	Yes*	Brief computer intervention	Computer	1	10 minutes	Waitlist	3
Humeniuk, 2012 ⁵⁰ Australia, Brazil, India, U.S. N=389 <i>Fair</i>		Yes*	Brief MI	Face-to-face	1	15 minutes	Waitlist	3
Jones, 2005 ⁹⁹ U.S. N=130 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Opioids	No	Contingency management	Face-to-face	57	NR	Usual care	6
Lee, 2010 ⁵² U.S. N=341 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent/ Young Adult Cannabis	Yes	Brief MI	Computer	1	NR	Minimal intervention	6
Lee, 2013 ⁵¹ U.S. N=212 <i>Fair</i>	Young Adult Cannabis	Yes	Brief MI	Face-to-face	1	1	Minimal intervention	6
Litt, 2005 ¹⁰² U.S. N=450 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	A. CBT + MET B. Brief MET	Face-to-face	A. 9 B. 2	NR	Waitlist	4

Table 4. Psychosocial Intervention Trials – Study Characteristics

Author, year Country N <i>Quality</i>	Population Type of drug use	Screen- detected?	Type of intervention	Method of delivery		Duration of sessions (hours, unless otherwise stated)	Control	Timing of outcome assessment (months)
Litt, 2008 ¹⁰⁰ and Kadden, 2007 ¹²⁰ U.S. N=240 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	A. CBT + MET + contingency management B. CBT + MET C. Contingency management	Face-to-face	A. 9 B. 9 C. 9	A. 1 B. 1 C. 15 minutes	Usual care	14
Litt, 2013 ¹⁰¹ U.S. N=215 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	A. CBT + MET + contingency management (for completing homework assignments) B. CBT + MET + contingency management (for cannabis-free urine samples)	Face-to-face	A. 9 B. 9	A. 1 B. 1	Usual care	9
Lozano, 2006 ¹⁰³ U.S. N=290 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	A. CBT B. MET	Face-to-face	A. 14 B. 2	A. 2 B. 1.5	Waitlist	4
Marsden, 2006 ¹⁰⁴ U.K. N=342 <i>Good</i>	Adolescent/ Young Adult Stimulants	No	Brief MET	Face-to-face	1	45 minutes	Minimal intervention	6
Martin, 2008 ¹⁰⁵ Australia N=40 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent Cannabis	No	Brief CBT	Face-to-face	2	NR	Waitlist	3
Martino, 2018 ⁵³ U.S. N=439 <i>Good</i>	Adults Multiple drugs (% opioids NR)	Yes*	A. Brief MI (in person) B. Brief MI (computer)	A. Face-to-face B. Computer	A. 1 B. 1	A. 20 minutes B. 20 minutes	Usual care	6
Mason, 2015 ⁵⁴ and Mason, 2017 ¹¹⁸ U.S. N=119 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent Cannabis and alcohol	Yes*	Brief MI	Face-to-face	1	20 minutes	Minimal intervention	6

	Population Type of drug use	Screen- detected?	Type of intervention	Method of delivery	Number of sessions	Duration of sessions (hours, unless otherwise stated)	Control	Timing of outcome assessment (months)
McCambridge, 2004 ¹⁰⁷ and McCambridge, 2005 ³¹ U.K. N=200 <i>Fair</i>		No	Brief MET	Face-to-face	1	1	Minimal intervention	12
McCambridge, 2008 ¹⁰⁶ U.K. N=326 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent/ Young Adult Cannabis	No	Brief MET	Face-to-face	1	≤1	Minimal intervention	6
Ondersma, 2007 ⁵⁵ U.S. N=107 <i>Fair</i>	Adult (Postpartum women) Multiple drugs (% opioids NR)	Yes	Brief MET + CBT	Computer	1	20 minutes	Minimal intervention	4
Ondersma, 2014 ⁵⁷ U.S. N=143 <i>Fair</i>	Adult (Postpartum women) Multiple drugs (% opioids NR)	Yes	Brief MET + CBT	Computer	1	20 minutes	Minimal intervention	6
Ondersma, 2018 ⁵⁶ U.S. N=500 <i>Fair</i>	Adult (Postpartum women) Multiple drugs (% opioids NR)	Yes	Brief MET + CBT	Computer	1	20 minutes	Minimal intervention	6
Palfai, 2014 ⁵⁸ U.S. N=123 <i>Fair</i>	Young Adult Cannabis	Yes	Brief MI	Computer	1	NR	Minimal intervention	6
Poblete, 2017 ⁵⁹ Chile N=806 <i>Fair</i>	Young Adult Multiple drugs (% opioids NR)	Yes*	Brief MI	Face-to-face	1	NR	Minimal intervention	3
Rooke, 2013 ¹⁰⁸ Australia N=230 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	CBT + MI	Computer	6	NR	Minimal intervention	3
Roy-Byrne, 201460 and	Adult Multiple drugs (26% opioids use in last 30 days)	Yes*	Brief MI	Face-to-face	1 + 1 telephone booster	0.5	Minimal intervention	12

Author, year Country N <i>Quality</i>	Population Type of drug use	Screen- detected?	Type of intervention	Method of delivery	Number of sessions	Duration of sessions (hours, unless otherwise stated)	Control	Timing of outcome assessment (months)
Saitz, 2014 ⁶¹ , Fuster, 2016 ¹¹⁵ and Kim, 2016 ¹¹⁶ U.S. N=528 <i>Good</i>	Adult Multiple drugs (18% opioids; includes prescription opioids)	Yes*	A. Brief MI B. Brief MI + telephone booster	Face-to-face	A. 1 B. 1	A. 15 minutes B. 30-45 minutes + 20-30 minute telephone booster	Minimal intervention	6
Schaub, 2015 ¹⁰⁹ Germany N=308 Fair	Young Adult/ Adult Cannabis	No	A. CBT + MI + online chat B. CBT + MI	Computer	A. 8 B. 8	A. NR; online chat 20- 30 minutes B. NR	Waitlist	3
Stein, 2009 ¹¹⁰ U.S. N=198 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Stimulants	No	MI	Face-to-face	4	20-40 minutes	Minimal intervention	6
Stein, 2011 ⁶² U.S. N=332 <i>Fair</i>	Young Adult Cannabis	Yes	Brief MI	Face-to-face	2	45 minutes	Minimal intervention	6
Stephens, 2000 ³² U.S. N=291 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	A. CBT + social support B. MI	Face-to-face	A. 14 B. 2	A. 2 B. 1.5	Waitlist	4
Stephens, 2007 ¹¹¹ U.S. N=188 <i>Good</i>	Adult Cannabis	No	Brief MI (review of personal feedback report)	Face-to-face	1	1.5	Minimal intervention	12
Tait, 2015 ¹¹² Australia N=160 <i>Fair</i>	Young Adult Stimulants	No	MET + CBT	Computer	3	NR	Waitlist	6
Tzilos Wernette, 2018 ⁶³ U.S. N=50 <i>Fair</i>	Adult (Pregnant women) Cannabis/ alcohol	Yes	Brief MI	Computer	1 + 1 booster	1	Minimal intervention	4
Walton, 2013 ⁶⁴ U.S. N=328 <i>Fair</i>	Adolescent Cannabis	Yes	A. Brief MI (computer) B. Brief MI (in person)	A. Computer B. Face-to-face	A. 1 B. 1	A. NR B. NR	Usual care	12

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Author, year Country N <i>Quality</i>	Population Type of drug use	Screen- detected?	Type of intervention	Method of delivery	Number of sessions	Duration of sessions (hours, unless otherwise stated)	Control	Timing of outcome assessment (months)
Watkins, 2017 ⁶⁵ U.S. N=397 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Multiple drugs (20% heroin; 10% prescription opioids)	Yes	Multicomponent (collaborative care)	Face-to-face	NA	NA	Usual care	6
Woolard, 2013 ⁶⁶ U.S. N=515 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Opioids/alcohol Cannabis	Yes	Brief MI	Face-to-face	NR	NR	Usual care	12
Yonkers, 2012 ⁶⁷ U.S. N=183 <i>Fair</i>	Adult (Pregnant women) Multiple drugs (% primary opioid use NR; 11% opioid use in past month)		MET + CBT	Computer	6	0.5	Minimal intervention	3
Zahradnik, 2009 ⁶⁸ and Otto, 2009 ¹¹⁹ Germany N=126 <i>Fair</i>	Adult Multiple drugs (% opioids NR)	Yes	Brief MI	Face-to-face	2	0.5	Minimal intervention	12

*Study conducted in primary care setting.

Abbreviations: CBT = cognitive behavioral therapy; MET = motivational enhancement therapy; MI = motivational interviewing; NR = not reported; U.K. = United Kingdom; U.S. = United States.

Table 5. Psychosocial Intervention Trials – Abstinence at 3 to 4 Months or 6 to 12 Months

Timing				
Study Characteristics	Details	Number of trials	Relative risk (95% confidence interval)	²
3-4 months, all trials	-	15	1.60 (1.24 to 2.13)	61%
Type of drug use	Cannabis	7	2.08 (1.51 to 3.07)	28%
p for interaction=0.10	Mixed drugs	7	1.24 (0.92 to 1.80)	60%
	Prescription drugs	1	2.08 (0.81 to 5.38)	
Population	Screen-detected population	8	1.28 (0.97 to 1.84)	57%
p for interaction=0.05	Treatment-seeking population	7	2.08 (1.51 to 3.07)	28%
Type of intervention p	Brief interventions	10	1.46 (1.11 to 2.09)	56%
for interaction=0.34	Other (non-brief) interventions	6	2.01 (1.17 to 3.58)	70%
Age group	Adolescent/young adult	2	1.54 (0.78 to 5.22)	61%
p for interaction=0.77	Adult	13	1.58 (1.20 to 2.16)	64%
Pregnancy (adult only)	Pregnant or postpartum	5	1.24 (0.99 to 1.89)	41%
	Not pregnant or postpartum	8	1.77 (1.17 to 2.80)	71%
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face	7	1.77 (1.13 to 3.02)	76%
p for interaction=0.61	Other (web, computer,	8	1.43 (1.10 to 2.04)	35%
	telephone)			
Study quality	Good quality	1	4.34 (1.75 to 10.72)	
p for interaction=0.10	Fair quality	14	1.50 (1.18 to 1.98)	56%
6-12 months, all	-	14	1.52 (1.14 to 2.04)	80%
trials	Canaahia	4	4 50 (4 47 to 2 72)	200/
Type of drug use p for interaction=0.85	Cannabis	4	1.58 (1.17 to 2.73)	36%
	Stimulants	4	1.45 (0.86 to 2.56)	65%
	Mixed drugs	5	1.38 (0.71 to 2.61)	92%
-	Prescription drugs	1	1.25 (0.65 to 2.40)	
Population	Screen-detected population	7	1.42 (0.89 to 2.24)	88%
p for interaction=0.64	Treatment-seeking population	7	1.51 (1.14 to 2.37)	57%
Type of intervention p	Brief interventions	11	1.46 (1.08 to 1.98)	82%
for interaction=0.50	Other (non-brief) interventions	3	1.99 (0.55 to 7.80)	71%
Age group	Adolescent/young adult	5	1.25 (1.04 to 1.64)	14%
p for interaction=0.52	Adult	9	1.64 (1.08 to 2.56)	85%
Postpartum status	Postpartum	2	1.07 (0.76 to 1.71)	0%
(adult only)	Not postpartum	7	1.82 (1.08 to 3.18)	86%
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face	11	1.67 (1.21 to 2.37)	82%
p for interaction=0.004	telephone)	3	1.04 (0.73 to 1.45)	0%
Study quality	Good quality	2	1.11 (0.58 to 1.51)	58%
p for interaction=0.14	Fair quality	12	1.67 (1.23 to 2.30)	79%

Table 6. Psychosocial Intervention Trials – Drug Use Days at 3 to 4 Months or 6 to 12 Months

Timing		Number of	Mean difference (95%	
Study Characteristics	Details	trials	confidence interval)*	1 ²
3-4 months all trials	-	19	-0.48 (-0.84 to -0.12)	89%
Type of drug use	Cannabis	14	-0.66 (-1.13 to -0.21)	89%
p for interaction=0.12	Any drug use	5	-0.05 (-0.39 to 0.31)	58%
Population	Screen-detected population	9	-0.09 (-0.29 to 0.13)	44%
p for interaction=0.02	Treatment-seeking population	10	-0.91 (-1.52 to -0.31)	86%
Type of intervention	Brief interventions	9	-0.12 (-0.34 to 0.13)	41%
p for interaction=0.03	Other (non-brief) interventions	10	-0.88 (-1.50 to -0.28)	91%
Age group	Adolescent	1	-1.47 (-2.99 to 0.06)	
p for interaction=0.35	Young adult or adolescent/young adult	8	-0.14 (-0.35 to 0.04)	0%
	Adult	10	-0.63 (-1.22 to -0.03)	93%
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face	14	-0.53 (-1.00 to -0.07)	90%
p for interaction=0.69	Other (web, computer, telephone)	5	-0.27 (-0.83 to 0.13)	49%
Study quality	Good quality	5	-0.42 (-1.30 to 0.48)	92%
p for interaction=0.84	Fair quality	14	-0.49 (-0.92 to -0.10)	86%
6-12 months, all trials	-	15	-0.07 (-0.29 to 0.12)	47%
Type of drug use	Cannabis	7	-0.19 (-0.66 to 0.21)	52%
p for interaction=0.48	Stimulants	1	-0.47 (-1.17 to 0.24)	
	Any drug use	7	0.04 (-0.22 to 0.28)	43%
Population	Screen-detected population	10	0.02 (-0.23 to 0.24)	44%
p for interaction=0.21	Treatment-seeking population	5	-0.29 (-0.69 to 0.09)	12%
Type of intervention	Brief interventions	11	-0.05 (-0.23 to 0.12)	0%
p for interaction=0.84	Other (non-brief) interventions	4	-0.16 (-0.88 to 0.46)	79%
Age group	Young adult or adolescent/young adult	7	-0.07 (-0.33 to 0.15)	0%
p for interaction=0.90	Adult	8	-0.07 (-0.40 to 0.22)	62%
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face	13	-0.09 (-0.36 to 0.14)	55%
p for interaction=0.83	Other (web, computer, telephone)	2	Not applicable (unable to fit parameter logistic model for 2 studies)	0%
Study quality	Good quality	6	-0.12 (-0.46 to 0.16)	36%
p for interaction=0.65	Fair quality	9	-0.02 (-0.37 to 0.25)	48%

Table 7. Psychosocial Intervention Trials – Drug Use Severity at 3 to 4 Months or 6 to 12 Months

Timing		Number	Standardized mean difference	
Study Characteristics	Details	of trials	(95% confidence interval)	²
3-4 month followup, all trials	-	17	-0.18 (-0.32 to -0.05)	73%
Type of drug use	Cannabis use	13	-0.21 (-0.39 to -0.04)	78%
p for interaction=0.45	Mixed substance use	4	-0.05 (-0.20 to 0.05)	1.3%
Population	Screen-detected population	9	-0.05 (-0.15 to 0.05)	17%
p for interaction=0.12	Treatment-seeking population	8	-0.30 (-0.57 to -0.03)	82%
Type of intervention	Brief interventions	12	-0.09 (-0.20 to -0.002)	36%
p for interaction=0.18	Other (non-brief) interventions	6	-0.32 (-0.70 to 0.06)	89%
Age group	Adolescent	3	-0.08 (-0.26 to 0.10)	0%
p for interaction=0.20	Young adult	6	-0.01 (-0.15 to 0.08)	22%
	Adult	8	-0.31 (-0.57 to -0.07)	82%
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face	11	-0.15 (-0.33 to 0.02)	77%
p for interaction=0.66	Other (web, computer, telephone)	7	-0.20 (-0.42 to -0.01)	64%
Study quality	Good quality	2	-0.11 (-0.32 to 0.13)	0%
p for interaction=0.64	Fair quality	15	-0.19 (-0.35 to -0.04)	76%
6-12 month followup,	-	13	-0.10 (-0.24 to 0.02)	65%
all trials				
Type of drug use	Amphetamine use	1	0.10 (-0.35 to 0.54)	
p for interaction=0.57	Cannabis use	8	-0.16 (-0.37 to 0.03)	72%
	Mixed substance use	4	-0.001 (-0.18 to 0.12)	42%
Population	Screen-detected population	9	-0.03 (-0.15 to 0.06)	40%
p for interaction=0.27	Treatment-seeking population	4	-0.23 (-0.62 to 0.17)	82%
Type of intervention p	Brief interventions	10	-0.02 (-0.13 to 0.06)	35%
for interaction=0.03	Other (non-brief) interventions	3	-0.36 (-0.80 to 0.14)	71%
Age group	Adolescent	2	-0.10 (-0.37 to 0.18)	44%
p for interaction=0.56	Young adult	5	0.02 (-0.16 to 0.15)	26%
	Adult	6	-0.18 (-0.44 to 0.04)	80%
Mode of delivery	Face-to-face	9	-0.11 (-0.28 to 0.03)	70%
p for interaction=0.63	Other (web, computer, telephone)	5	-0.03 (-0.28 to 0.16)	44%
Study quality	Good-quality	3	-0.02 (-0.41 to 0.22)	72%
p for interaction=0.69	Fair quality	10	-0.12 (-0.27 to 0.03)	62%

Key Question*		Studies (k) Observations (n) Study Designs	Summary of Findings [†]	Consistency and Precision		Strength of Evidence	Applicability
	Naltrexone for opioid use disorder	13 trials (N=1,718)	 Drug use relapse: 11 trials, RR 0.73 (95% CI 0.62 to 0.85) l²=78%; ARD -18% (95% CI -26% to -10%) Retention in treatment: 9 trials, RR 1.71 (95% CI 1.13 to 2.49), l²=67%; ARD 15% (95% CI 5% to 22%) Mortality: Reported in 4 trials, with very few events Other health, legal, and social outcomes: Few trials, with inconsistent effects 	For drug use relapse and retention in treatment, inconsistency in magnitude but not direction of effect. Estimates reasonably precise. Results consistent in stratified and sensitivity analyses.	Overall risk of bias moderate. Attrition was high. Methods for defining drug use relapse and retention in treatment varied. Reporting bias not detected.		All trials enrolled treatment- seeking persons with opioid use disorder due to heroin use. Naltrexone administered in conjunction with drug use counseling. Most trials evaluated oral naltrexone, some trials recruited patients from the criminal justice system, and around half of naltrexone trials were conducted in countries in which opioid agonist therapy is not available
	therapy (buprenorphine or methadone) for opioid use disorder	(N=679) • Methadone: 2 trials (N=430) All trials conducted in treatment- seeking individuals	0.82), l ² =75%; ARD -35%, 95% CI -67% to -3%) • Retention in treatment: 7	For drug use relapse and retention in treatment, inconsistency in magnitude but not direction of effect. Estimates reasonably precise. Results consistent in stratified and sensitivity analyses.	label design. Methods for defining drug use relapse utilized urine	Moderate	All trials enrolled treatment- seeking persons with opioid use disorder, primarily due to heroin use. Opioid agonist therapy usually administered in conjunction with drug use counseling. Opioid agonist therapy usually administered in addiction treatment setting. No trial evaluated newly U.S. Food and Drug Administration-approved, injectable buprenorphine.

Key Question*	Intervention	Studies (k) Observations (n) Study Designs	Summary of Findings [†]	Consistency and Precision	Limitations	Applicability
Efficacy of interventions (Key Questions 4a, b), continued	Psychosocial interventions	 Screen- detected populations: 27 trials (N=10,227) Treatment- seeking populations: 25 	5% to 15%) • 6 to 12 months: 14 trials, RR 1.52 (95% CI 1.14 to 2.04), I ² =80%; ARD 10% (95% CI	in trials of treatment- seeking but not screen-detected populations. Effects also generally stronger in trials	measuring drug use outcomes varied. Reporting bias not detected.	Studies varied in terms of whether patients were screen-detected or treatment-seeking, recruitment setting, and severity and type of drug use. Most trials evaluated psychosocial interventions that utilized cognitive behavioral therapy or motivational interventions, but treatment intensity varied. Brief interventions are usually designed to be feasible for delivery in primary care settings.

Key Question*	Intervention	Studies (k) Observations (n) Study Designs	Summary of Findings [†]	Consistency and Precision		Strength of Evidence	Applicability
Harms of interventions (Key Question 5)	Naltrexone for opioid use disorder	11 trials (N=1,689)	 Withdrawal due to adverse events: 3 trials, RR 2.65 (95% CI 0.50 to 14.01), I²=0% Serious adverse events: 3 trials, no difference 	Findings consistent but imprecise			See entry for efficacy of naltrexone
	therapy (buprenorphine	4 trials (N=639) on buprenorphine No studies on methadone	 Serious adverse events: 3 trials, RR 0.73 (95% CI 0.19 to 2.78), I²=50% Withdrawal due to adverse events: 1 trial (RR 0.89, 95% CI 0.06 to 13.7) Constipation (buprenorphine): 2 trials, RR 2.36 (95% CI 1.31 to 4.25), I²=0%; ARD 17% (95% CI - 0.05% to 39%) Diaphoresis (buprenorphine): 3 trials, RR 0.98 (95% CI 0.39 to 2.42), I²=64% Nausea (buprenorphine): 3 trials, RR 1.11 (95% CI 0.63 to 1.96), I²=0% 	and imprecision	Overall risk of bias moderate.		See entry for efficacy of opioid agonist therapy
	Psychosocial interventions	4 trials (N=1,198)	 No harms were reported in either intervention of control groups No serious adverse events were noted 	Findings consistent but imprecise		Low- moderate	See entry for efficacy of psychosocial interventions

Table 8. Summary of Evidence

Key Question*	Intervention	Studies (k) Observations (n) Study Designs	Summary of Findings [†]		Strength of Evidence	Applicability
Efficacy of	-	No studies		 		
naloxone (Key						
Question 6)						
Harms of	-	No studies		 		
naloxone (Key						
Question 7)						

*The Key Question numbers are from the analytic framework in the screening report;¹ Key Questions 1-3 are addressed in that report.

[†]Comparisons are against placebo or no medication for pharmacological interventions, and against waitlist, a minimal intervention, or usual care for psychosocial interventions. **Abbreviations:** ARD = absolute risk difference; CI = confidence interval; NR = not reported; RR = risk ratio; SMD = standard mean difference; U.S. = United States.

Key Questions 4-5

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R)

Pharmacologic interventions

1. substance-related disorders/ or amphetamine-related disorders/ or cocaine-related disorders/ or drug overdose/ or heroin dependence/ or inhalant abuse/ or marijuana abuse/ or opioid-related disorders/ or substance abuse, intravenous/ or substance abuse, oral/

- 2. exp Cannabinoids/
- 3. Cannabis/
- 4. exp "Marijuana Use"/
- 5. exp Analgesics, Opioid/
- 6. exp Cocaine/
- 7. exp Amphetamines/
- 8. exp Street Drugs/

9. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

10. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or misuse* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

- 11. exp Buprenorphine/
- 12. exp Methadone/
- 13. Naltrexone/

14. (buprenorphine or probuphine or sublocade or subutex or suboxone or methadone or naltrexone or vivitrol).ti,ab,kw.

- 15. treatment outcome/
- 16. (treatment* or intervention*).ti,ab.
- 17. (dt or th or pc or rh).fs.
- 18.1 and (or/11-14)
- 19. (or/2-9) and 10 and (or/11-14)
- 20. 18 or 19
- 21. 20 and (or/15-17)
- 22. Randomized Controlled Trials as Topic/
- 23. double-blind method/ or random allocation/
- 24. (random* or control* or trial or placebo or blind*).ti,ab,kw.
- 25. 21 and (or/22-24)
- 26. limit 21 to randomized controlled trial
- 27. 25 or 26
- 28. meta-analysis.pt.

29. meta-analysis/ or systematic review/ or meta-analysis as topic/ or "meta analysis (topic)"/ or "systematic review (topic)"/ or exp technology assessment, biomedical/

30. (medline or cochrane or "systematic review" or "meta analysis" or metaanalysis).ti,ab,kw.

- 31. 21 and (or/28-30)
- 32. limit 21 to (meta analysis or systematic reviews)
- 33. 31 or 32
- 34. 27 or 33
- 35. limit 34 to (english language and humans)

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Nonpharmacologic interventions – systematic reviews

1. substance-related disorders/ or amphetamine-related disorders/ or cocaine-related disorders/ or drug overdose/ or heroin dependence/ or inhalant abuse/ or marijuana abuse/ or opioid-related disorders/ or substance abuse, intravenous/ or substance abuse, oral/

- 2. exp Cannabinoids/
- 3. Cannabis/
- 4. exp "Marijuana Use"/

Appendix A1. Search Strategies

5. exp Analgesics, Opioid/

6. exp Cocaine/

7. exp Amphetamines/

8. exp Street Drugs/

9. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or meperidine or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

10. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or misuse* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

11. exp Behavior Therapy/

12. psychotherapy/

13. exp Psychotherapy, Group/

14. exp Counseling/

15. Self-Help Groups/

16. psychoanalytic therapy/

17. (brief adj3 intervention*).ti,ab.

18. ("cognitive behavior* therapy" or "cbt").ti,ab.

19. ("contingency management" or voucher* or prize*).ti,ab.

20. (motivation* adj3 enhanc*).ti,ab.

21. ("12 step" or "twelve step" or anonymous).ti,ab.

22. 21 not alcohol*.ti.

23. (family adj3 (counsel* or intervention* or therap*)).ti,ab.

24. psychotherapy, brief/

25. or/2-9

26. 10 and 25

27. 1 or 26

28. or/11-20

29. or/22-24

30. 28 or 29

31. 27 and 30

32. limit 31 to (meta analysis or systematic reviews)

33. meta-analysis.pt.

34. meta-analysis/ or systematic review/ or meta-analysis as topic/ or "meta analysis (topic)"/ or "systematic review (topic)"/ or exp technology assessment, biomedical/

35. ((systematic* adj3 (review* or overview*)) or (methodologic* adj3 (review* or overview*))).ti,ab.

36. ((quantitative adj3 (review* or overview* or synthes*)) or (research adj3 (integrati* or overview*))).ti,ab.

37. ((integrative adj3 (review* or overview*)) or (collaborative adj3 (review* or overview*)) or (pool* adj3 analy*)).ti,ab.

38. (data synthes* or data extraction* or data abstraction*).ti,ab.

39. (handsearch* or hand search*).ti,ab.

40. (mantel haenszel or peto or der simonian or dersimonian or fixed effect* or latin square*).ti,ab.

41. (met analy* or metanaly* or technology assessment* or HTA or HTAs or technology overview* or technology appraisal*).ti,ab.

42. (meta regression* or metaregression*).ti,ab.

43. (meta-analy* or metaanaly* or systematic review* or biomedical technology assessment* or bio-medical technology assessment*).mp.hw.

44. (medline or cochrane or pubmed or medlars or embase or cinahl).ti,ab,hw.

45. (cochrane or (health adj2 technology assessment) or evidence report).jw.

46. (meta-analysis or systematic review).ti,ab.

47. (comparative adj3 (efficacy or effectiveness)).ti,ab.

48. (outcomes research or relative effectiveness).ti,ab.

49. ((indirect or indirect treatment or mixed-treatment) adj comparison*).ti,ab.

50. or/33-49

51. 31 and 50

52. 32 or 51

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R)

Nonpharmacologic interventions - RCTs

1. substance-related disorders/ or amphetamine-related disorders/ or cocaine-related disorders/ or drug overdose/ or heroin dependence/ or inhalant abuse/ or marijuana abuse/ or opioid-related disorders/ or substance abuse, intravenous/ or substance abuse, oral/

2. exp Cannabinoids/

- 3. Cannabis/
- 4. exp "Marijuana Use"/
- 5. exp Analgesics, Opioid/
- 6. exp Cocaine/
- 7. exp Amphetamines/
- 8. exp Street Drugs/

9. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or meperidine or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

10. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or misuse* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

- 11. exp Behavior Therapy/
- 12. psychotherapy/
- 13. exp Psychotherapy, Group/
- 14. exp Counseling/
- 15. Self-Help Groups/
- 16. psychoanalytic therapy
- 17. (brief adj3 intervention*).ti,ab.
- 18. ("cognitive behavior* therapy" or "cbt").ti,ab.
- 19. ("contingency management" or voucher* or prize*).ti,ab.
- 20. (motivation* adj3 enhanc*).ti,ab.
- 21. ("12 step" or "twelve step" or anonymous).ti,ab.
- 22. 21 not alcohol*.ti.
- 23. (family adj3 (counsel* or intervention* or therap*)).ti,ab.
- 24. psychotherapy, brief/
- 25. or/2-9
- 26. 10 and 25
- 27. 1 or 26
- 28. or/11-20
- 29. or/22-24
- 30. 28 or 29
- 31. 27 and 30
- 32. limit 31 to randomized controlled trial
- 33. 31 and (random* or control* or trial or sham).ti,ab,kf.
- 34. 32 or 33

Database: PsycINFO

Pharmacologic interventions

1. drug abuse/ or drug usage/ or drug dependency/ or drug addiction/ or "substance use disorder"/

- 2. exp opiates/
- 3. exp cocaine/
- 4. marijuana usage/ or marijuana/
- 5. exp cannabis/ or cannabinoids/
- 6. exp cns stimulating drugs/

7. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

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8. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or misuse* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

9. (or/2-7) and 8

10. 1 or 9

11. buprenorphine/

- 12. methadone/
- 13. naltrexone/
- 14. (buprenorphine or probuphine or sublocade or subutex or suboxone or methadone or naltrexone or vivitrol).ti,ab.
- 15. 10 and (11 or 12 or 13 or 14)
- 16. exp Treatment Outcomes/
- 17. (treatment* or therap* or intervention*).ti,ab.
- 18. 15 and (16 or 17)
- 19. Clinical Trials/
- 20. (random* or control* or trial or placebo or sham or blind*).ti,ab.
- 21. exp Treatment Effectiveness Evaluation/ or exp "Literature Review"/
- 22. (systematic or "meta analysis" or metaanalysis or medline).ti,ab.
- 23. 18 and (or/19-22)
- 24. limit 23 to (human and english language)

Database: PsycINFO

Nonpharmacologic interventions - systematic reviews

1. drug abuse/ or drug usage/ or drug dependency/ or drug addiction/ or "substance use disorder"/ 2. exp opiates/ 3. exp cocaine/

5. exp cocaine/

- 4. marijuana usage/ or marijuana/
 5. exp cannabis/ or cannabinoids/
- 6. exp cns stimulating drugs/

7. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or meperidine or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

8. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or misuse* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

9. (or/2-7) and 8

10. 1 or 9

- 11. exp psychotherapy/
- 12. cognitive therapy/
- 13. exp COUNSELING/
- 14. exp family therapy/
- 15. exp behavior modification/
- 16. exp psychotherapeutic techniques/
- 17. exp psychotherapeutic processes/
- 18. (brief adj3 intervention*).ti,ab.
- 19. ("cognitive behavior* therapy" or "cbt").ti,ab.
- 20. ("contingency management" or voucher* or prize*).ti,ab.
- 21. (motivation* adj3 enhanc*).ti,ab.
- 22. (family adj3 (counsel* or intervention* or therap*)).ti,ab.
- 23. exp support groups/
- 24. ("12 step" or "twelve step" or anonymous).ti,ab.
- 25. 24 not alcohol*.ti.
- 26. 10 and (or/11-23)
- 27. 10 and 25
- 28. 26 or 27

29. (cinahl or cochrane or embase or medline or pubmed or scopus or "sociological abstracts" or "web of science").ab.

30. ("systematic review" or "meta analysis" or "metaanalysis").ti,ab.

31. ("systematic review" or "meta analysis").md.

32. exp "Literature Review"/

33. 28 and (or/29-32)

Database: PsycINFO

Nonpharmacologic interventions - RCTs

1. drug abuse/ or drug usage/ or drug dependency/ or drug addiction/ or "substance use disorder"/ 2. exp opiates/

3. exp cocaine/

4. marijuana usage/ or marijuana/

5. exp cannabis/ or cannabinoids/

6. exp cns stimulating drugs/

7. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

8. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or mis-use* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

9. (or/2-7) and 8

- 10. 1 or 9
- 11. exp psychotherapy/
- 12. cognitive therapy/
- 13. exp COUNSELING/
- 14. exp family therapy/
- 15. exp behavior modification/
- 16. exp psychotherapeutic techniques/
- 17. exp psychotherapeutic processes/
- 18. (brief adj3 intervention*).ti,ab.
- 19. ("cognitive behavior* therapy" or "cbt").ti,ab.
- 20. ("contingency management" or voucher* or prize*).ti,ab.
- 21. (motivation* adj3 enhanc*).ti,ab.
- 22. (family adj3 (counsel* or intervention* or therap*)).ti,ab.
- 23. (art or music* or acupuncture).ti,ab.
- 24. ("12 step" or "twelve step" or anonymous).ti,ab.
- 25. 24 not alcohol*.ti.
- 26. 10 and (or/11-23)
- 27. 10 and 25
- 28. 26 or 27
- 29. limit 28 to "0300 clinical trial"
- 30. exp Clinical Trials/
- 31. 28 and 30
- 32. 28 and (random* or control* or trial or sham).ti,ab,hw,id.
- 33. 29 or 31 or 32

Database: EBM Reviews - Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials Pharmacologic interventions

1. substance-related disorders/ or amphetamine-related disorders/ or cocaine-related disorders/ or drug overdose/ or heroin dependence/ or inhalant abuse/ or marijuana abuse/ or opioid-related disorders/ or substance abuse, intravenous/ or substance abuse, oral/

- 2. exp Cannabinoids/
- 3. Cannabis/
- 4. exp Analgesics, Opioid/
- 5. exp Cocaine/
- 6. exp Amphetamines/
- 7. exp Street Drugs/

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8. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

9. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or mis-use* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

10. exp Buprenorphine/

11. exp Methadone/

12. Naltrexone/

13. (buprenorphine or probuphine or sublocade or subutex or suboxone or methadone or naltrexone or vivitrol).ti,ab,kw.

- 14. treatment outcome/
- 15. (treatment* or intervention*).ti,ab.
- 16. (dt or th or pc or rh).fs.
- 17.1 and (or/10-13)
- 18. (or/2-8) and 9 and (or/10-13)
- 19. 17 or 18
- 20. 19 and (or/14-16)
- 21. limit 20 to english language
- 22. limit 21 to medline records
- 23. 21 not 22

Database: EBM Reviews - Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials Nonpharmacologic interventions

1. substance-related disorders/ or amphetamine-related disorders/ or cocaine-related disorders/ or drug overdose/ or heroin dependence/ or inhalant abuse/ or marijuana abuse/ or opioid-related disorders/ or substance abuse, intravenous/ or substance abuse, oral/

- 2. exp Cannabinoids/
- 3. Cannabis/
- 4. exp Analgesics, Opioid/
- 5. exp Cocaine/
- 6. exp Amphetamines/
- 7. exp Street Drugs/

8. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

9. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or mis-use* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

- 10. exp Behavior Therapy/
- 11. psychotherapy/
- 12. exp Psychotherapy, Group/
- 13. exp Counseling/
- 14. Self-Help Groups/
- 15. psychotherapy, brief/
- 16. (brief adj3 intervention*).ti,ab.
- 17. ("cognitive behavior* therapy" or "cbt").ti,ab.
- 18. ("contingency management" or voucher* or prize*).ti,ab.
- 19. (motivation* adj3 enhanc*).ti,ab.
- 20. ("12 step" or "twelve step" or anonymous).ti,ab.
- 21. 20 not alcohol*.ti.
- 22. (family adj3 (counsel* or intervention* or therap*)).ti,ab.
- 23. psychoanalytic therapy/
- 24. or/2-8
- 25. 9 and 24
- 26. 1 or 25

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27. or/10-19
28. or/21-23
29. 27 or 28
30. 26 and 29
31. limit 30 to medline records
32. 30 not 31

Key Questions 4-7

Database: Elsevier Embase

('drug dependence treatment'/exp OR 'drug dependence treatment') AND ('buprenorphine'/exp OR buprenorphine OR 'naltrexone'/exp OR naltrexone OR 'methadone'/exp OR methadone OR 'naloxone'/exp OR naloxone) AND (random*:ab,ti OR placebo*:de,ab,ti OR ((double NEXT/1 blind*):ab,ti)) AND [embase]/lim NOT ([embase]/lim AND [medline]/lim) AND [english]/lim

Database: EBM Reviews - Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews

1. (opioid* or opiate* or amphetamine* or methamphetamine* or cocaine or stimulant* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or meperidine or methadone or morphine or heroin or cannabinoid or cannabis or marijuana or hash*).ti,ab.

2. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or mis-use* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

3. (treatment* or intervention*).ti,ab.

- 4.1 and 2 and 3
- 5. limit 4 to full systematic reviews

Key Questions 6-7

Database: Ovid MEDLINE(R)

1. opioid-related disorders/

2. exp Analgesics, Opioid/ or Drug Overdose/

3. (opioid* or opiate* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or meperidine or methadone or morphine or heroin).ti,ab.

4. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or mis-use* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

5. Naloxone/

- 6. (naloxone or evzio or narcan).ti,ab,kw.
- 7. treatment outcome/
- 8. (treatment* or intervention*).ti,ab.

9. (dt or th or pc or rh).fs.

10. Randomized Controlled Trials as Topic/

- 11. double-blind method/ or random allocation/
- 12. (random* or control* or trial or placebo or blind*).ti,ab,kw.

13. meta-analysis.pt.

14. meta-analysis/ or systematic review/ or meta-analysis as topic/ or "meta analysis (topic)"/ or "systematic review (topic)"/ or exp technology assessment, biomedical/

15. (medline or cochrane or "systematic review" or "meta analysis" or metaanalysis).ti,ab,kw.

16. 1 and (5 or 6)

17. (2 or 3) and 4 and (5 or 6)

18.16 or 17

19. 18 and (7 or 8 or 9)

20. 19 and (or/10-15)

21. limit 19 to (meta analysis or randomized controlled trial or systematic reviews)

22. 20 or 21

23. limit 22 to (english language and humans)

Database: EBM Reviews - Cochrane Central Register of Controlled Trials

1. opioid-related disorders/

2. exp Analgesics, Opioid/ or Drug Overdose/

3. (opioid* or opiate* or oxycodone or fentanyl or codeine or hydrocodone or hydromorphone or meperidine or methadone or morphine or heroin).ti,ab.

4. (addict* or abus* or misuse* or misuse* or misusing or mis-using or "non medical" or extramedical or "extra medical" or illicit* or illegal* or unlawful* or unsanction* or habit* or dependen* or disorder* or consumption or diversion*).ti,ab.

5. Naloxone/

6. (naloxone or evzio or narcan).ti,ab,kw.

7. treatment outcome/

8. (treatment* or intervention*).ti,ab.

9. (dt or th or pc or rh).fs.

10. 1 and (5 or 6)

11. (2 or 3) and 4 and (5 or 6)

12. 10 or 11

13. 12 and (or/7-9)

14. limit 13 to english language

PICOTS	Inclusion criteria	Exclusion criteria
Conditions	Unhealthy drug use related to:	Other drugs
	KQs 4 and 5:	
	Prescription or illicit opioids	
	Cannabinoids	
	Stimulants	
	Polysubstance use involving prescription or illicit opioids,	
	cannabinoids, or stimulants	
	KQs 6 and 7:	
	Prescription or illicit opioids	
Populations	Adolescents and adults age 12 years and older	Studies limited to:
	Studies in which participants are identified as engaging in drug use	Persons with psychotic disorders (e.g.,
	(as defined above)	schizophrenia)
	A priori subpopulations at greater risk for drug use or its	Psychiatric inpatients, persons who are
	consequences will be examined based on the following factors:	court-mandated to receive treatment
	age (particularly young adults ages 18 to 25 years and adolescents	(with the exception of adolescents),
	ages 12 to 17 years), sex, race/ethnicity, socioeconomic status,	persons who are incarcerated)
	pregnancy status, concurrent substance use (tobacco or alcohol),	Persons who have failed standard
	and severity of the disorder	treatments
		Persons prescribed opioids,
		stimulants, or using marijuana under
		medical supervision without a use
		disorder or misuse
		<70% SUD or unclear if majority is
		alcohol use
Interventions	KQs 4 and 5:	Psychosocial interventions not within
	Psychosocial interventions to reduce drug use, within the following	the specified categories
	broad categories, or combinations or adaptations of these	Psychosocial intervention is not
	categories:	described sufficiently to allow
	Brief interventions	replication
	Cognitive behavioral therapy (including relapse prevention)	Interventions to prevent drug use
	Contingency management	initiation
	Motivational enhancement therapy	Management of persons prescribed
	12-step facilitation therapy	opioids, stimulants, or using marijuana
	Family interventions (e.g., Adolescent Community Reinforcement	under medical supervision without a
	Approach or Assertive Continuing Care)	use disorder or misuse
	Within each approach, there may be variability in specific strategies	Vocational rehabilitation
	(e.g., action plans, diaries), delivery method (e.g., face-to-face,	Housing interventions
	electronic, individual, group-based), length of contact (e.g., brief,	Neurostimulation/non-invasive brain
	extended), and the number of contacts (e.g., single, multiple)	stimulation techniques
	FDA-approved medications to treat drug use disorder. FDA-	Medications for treatment of drug use
	approved medications are currently only available for treatment of	not approved by the FDA for this
	opioid use disorder: buprenorphine (Probuphine®, Sublocade®,	indication
	Subutex®, and generic forms), combined buprenorphine and	Community-based, media, or policy
	naloxone (Suboxone®, Zubsolv®, Bunavail®), methadone, and	interventions
	extended release naltrexone (Vivitrol®) and oral naltrexone	School-based interventions (university-
	KQs 6 and 7:	based intervention included)
	Naloxone (including Evzio®, Narcan®)	Syringe exchange, supervision
		injection
		HIV-focused interventions
		Acupuncture, music therapy, art
		Acupuncture, music merapy, art
		therapy, mindfulness-based

Appendix A2. Inclusion and Exclusion Criteria

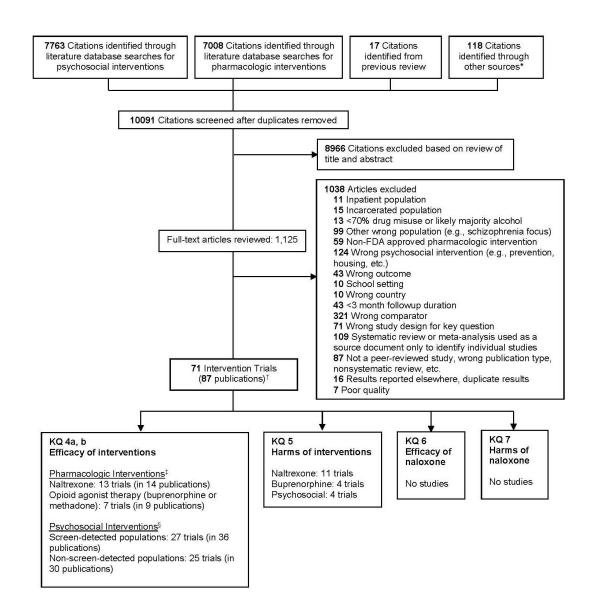
PICOTS	Inclusion criteria	Exclusion criteria
Comparisons	KQs 4-7:	Comparisons involving non-specified
	Included interventions vs:	interventions
	No intervention	Included intervention vs. included
	Placebo	intervention
	Usual care (unless the description of usual care is actually a head-	Combinations of interventions vs. one
	to-head comparison)	intervention, other than specified
	Waitlist	Comparisons involving differing
		intensities of treatments
	but is not thought to have a specific effect)	
	Minimal intervention (e.g., no more than one single brief contact	
	per year, brief written materials such as pamphlets)	
	Medication + psychosocial intervention versus psychosocial	
• :	intervention alone	
Settings	KQs 4-7: Any, aside from inpatient/residential or correctional facility	
		Correctional facility
Outcomes	KQs 4a:	Attitudes, knowledge, and beliefs
	Drug use (self-report and/or biologic measures):	related to drug use
	Abstinence (use/no use)	Intention to change behavior
	Frequency and/or quantity of drug use	
	Severity of drug use disorder (reported as an index measured by a	
	standardized questionnaire, such as the Short Inventory of	
	Problems, Addiction Severity Index, Severity of Dependence Scale,	
	or DSM-V severity)	
	Polysubstance use	
	Other risky behaviors (e.g., alcohol, tobacco, or other drug use;	
	risky sexual behaviors)	
	KQs4b:	
	All-cause mortality	
	Drug-related mortality (intentional and unintentional)	
	Drug-related morbidity (e.g., mental health symptoms/disorders,	
	STI/HIV transmission, hepatitis B or C virus transmission,	
	respiratory infection, cardiovascular complications, stroke, seizure,	
	nonfatal overdose, injuries and accidents, cognitive impairment,	
	visit to emergency department, hospital inpatient stay)	
	Obstetrical/perinatal/neonatal outcomes (e.g., perinatal mortality,	
	preterm labor/delivery, low birth weight, placental abruption,	
	intrauterine growth restriction, preeclampsia, antepartum or	
	postpartum hemorrhage, gestational hypertension, decreased	
	neonate length/head circumference, neonate neurobehavioral	
	effects, congenital anomalies, neonatal abstinence syndrome, neonatal intensive care unit admission, length of neonate	
	hospitalization) Quality of life	
	Drug-related problems, such as legal problems, social and family	
	relations, employment, and school/educational outcomes	
	KQ5:	
	Serious harms at any time point after the intervention began (e.g.,	
	death, seizure, cardiovascular event, other medical issue requiring	
	urgent medical treatment, serious obstetrical/perinatal/neonatal	
	complication attributable to included medications)	
	Demoralization due to failed quit attempt	
	Stigma, labeling, and/or discrimination	
	Privacy issues (e.g., insurability status) Job loss	
	Job loss Interference with the doctor-patient relationship	

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PICOTS	Inclusion criteria	Exclusion criteria
Outcomes,	KQ 6:	Not applicable
continued	All-cause mortality	
	Drug-related mortality (intentional and unintentional)	
	Drug-related morbidity (e.g., nonfatal overdose and associated	
	complications [e.g., seizure, cardiovascular, respiratory events],	
	visit to emergency department, hospital inpatient stay)	
	KQ 7:	
	Serious harms, including withdrawal, agitation and associated	
_	injuries	
Outcome		Not applicable
assessment	in pregnant women, for which shorter lengths of followup will be	
timing	included)	
Study designs	KQs 4-7: Randomized, controlled trials and nonrandomized	Time series studies, before-after
		studies with no comparison group,
		cross-sectional studies, case studies,
		case series, editorials/commentaries
Countries	5 5	Studies conducted in countries that are
	2014 Human Development Index (as defined by the United Nations	
	Development Programme)	2014 Human Development Index
Language	English	Non-English

Abbreviations: DSM-V=Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders Fifth Edition; FDA=food and drug administration; KQ=key question; PICOT=population, intervention, comparator, outcome, timing, study design/setting; STI=sexually transmitted infection; SUD=substance use disorder.

Appendix A3. Literature Flow Diagram



*Other sources include reference lists of relevant articles and systematic reviews, reviewer suggestions, etc.; includes background articles.

[†]The numbers in the bottom row do not sum to the total listed because some trials are included in multiple Key Questions or subcategories.

[‡]Two pharmacologic trials have been carried forward from the prior report.²

[§]Five psychosocial trials have been carried forward from the prior report.²

Note: Key Questions 1-3 are addressed in a separate report.¹

Abbreviations: FDA = U.S. Food and Drug Administration; KQ = key question.

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Criteria for Assessing Internal Validity of Individual Studies

RCTs and Cohort Studies

Criteria:

Initial assembly of comparable groups: For RCTs: Adequate randomization, including first concealment and whether potential confounders were distributed equally among groups For cohort studies: Consideration of potential confounders, with either restriction or measurement for adjustment in the analysis; consideration of inception cohorts Maintenance of comparable groups (includes attrition, cross-overs, adherence, contamination) Important differential loss to followup or overall high loss to followup Measurements: equal, reliable, and valid (includes masking of outcome assessment) Clear definition of interventions All important outcomes considered Analysis: adjustment for potential confounders for cohort studies or intention-to treat analysis for RCTs

Definition of ratings based on above criteria:

Good: Meets all criteria: Comparable groups are assembled initially and maintained throughout the study (followup \geq 80%); reliable and valid measurement instruments are used and applied equally to all groups; interventions are spelled out clearly; all important outcomes are considered; and appropriate attention to confounders in analysis. In addition, intention-to-treat analysis is used for RCTs.

Fair: Studies are graded "fair" if any or all of the following problems occur, without the fatal flaws noted in the "poor" category below: Generally comparable groups are assembled initially, but some question remains whether some (although not major) differences occurred with followup; measurement instruments are acceptable (although not the best) and generally applied equally; some but not all important outcomes are considered; and some but not all potential confounders are accounted for. Intention-to-treat analysis is used for RCTs.

Poor: Studies are graded "poor" if any of the following fatal flaws exists: Groups assembled initially are not close to being comparable or maintained throughout the study; unreliable or invalid measurement instruments are used or not applied equally among groups (including not masking outcome assessment); and key confounders are given little or no attention. Intention-to-treat analysis is lacking for RCTs.

Systematic Reviews

Criteria:

Comprehensiveness of sources considered/search strategy used Standard appraisal of included studies Validity of conclusions Recency and relevance (especially important for systematic reviews)

Definition of ratings based on above criteria:

Good: Recent, relevant review with comprehensive sources and search strategies; explicit and relevant selection criteria; standard appraisal of included studies; and valid conclusions **Fair:** Recent, relevant review that is not clearly biased but lacks comprehensive sources and search strategies

Poor: Outdated, irrelevant, or biased review without systematic search for studies, explicit selection criteria, or standard appraisal of studies

Source: U.S. Preventive Services Task Force Procedure Manual. Accessed at https://www.uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org/Page/Name/methods-and-processes

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Type of	Number of centers Country Single center	Duration of followup 6 months	Intervention described and comparisons A. Oral naltrexone 25	Inclusion criteria Federal parolees/probationers	Patient characteristics NR by intervention group	N Loss to followup N=51	Adherence	-	Funding source NIDA
1997 ⁷⁰ Primarily heroin	U.S.			(minimum of 2 years) with a history of opioid addiction	Mean age 39 years 10% female 24% white; 62% black; 14% Hispanic Duration or severity of opioid use NR	Loss to followup: NR			
Guo, 2001⁵ Heroin	3 centers China	6 months	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day (n=35) B. Placebo (n=14)	for opioid dependence; history of relapse; successful detoxification without using opioids for 7 to 10 days and negative urine test for morphine; relatives and/or friends guaranteed to supervise treatment Excluded: currently receiving opiate treatment; acute	Mean age 25 vs. 27 years	N=49 Loss to followup: 10% (5/49)	NR	Fair	NR

Author, year Type of opioid used	centers	Duration of followup	Intervention described and comparisons	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence		Funding source
	5 centers (2	9 months	A. Oral naltrexone	Men age ≥18 years with	A vs. B	N=192	NR	Fair	NIDA
1978 ⁷¹	centers for			diagnosis of opioid dependence	Mean age NR	Loss to			
	post-addicts; 2			based on history of past or	0% vs. 0% female	followup:			
Not specified	centers for		sixth day, no drug	current dependence, symptoms	Race NR	NR			
	methadone		seventh day, titrated	of opioid withdrawal, positive	Clinical characteristics NR				
	maintenance		to 100 mg/day 2 days	urine screen					
	therapy; 1		5,	Excluded: chronic or severe					
	clinic for			physical or psychiatric problems					
	"street		B. Oral placebo syrup	or history of alcoholism					
	addicts")		(n=NR)						
	U.S.								
			No description of any						
			counseling						
			component for either						
			group						

Krupitsky, 2004722 centers Russia6 monthsA. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day (n=27) B. Placebo (n=25)Age 18-40 years; DSM-IV criteria for heroin dependence for at least 1 year; education at the high school level or above; abstinence from heroin and other groupsMean age 23 vs. 21 years Heroin at the 11% vs. 28% female Racethnicity NRN=52 Loss to Narrative followup: report of 85- 100% adherence based on adherence substances of abuse, including alcohol, for at least 1 week prior relative willing to participate in treatment and monitor administration of medications, assist in followup, and provide outcome data; if female, a megative pregnancy test and willingness to use adequate RAB HIV sexual behavior risk score: 5.0 vs. 5.0N=52 A vs. B Loss to Narrative followup: report of 85- Narrative toss to based on riboflavin positive urine tests.	04 ⁷² Russia	NIH; VA; study dru
psychotropic medication Excluded: clinically significant cognitive impairment; schizophrenia; paranoid, bipolar or seizure disorder; advanced neurological, cardiovascular, renal, or hepatic disease; active tuberculosis or current febrile illness; a significant laboratory abnormality such as severe anemia, unstable diabetes, or liver function tests >3X above normal; pregnancy; legal charges with impending incarceration; current participation in another treatment		provided by DuPoi Pharma- ceutical

Author, year Type of opioid used	Number of centers Country	Duration of followup	Intervention described and comparisons	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence	Quality rating	Funding source
Krupitsky, 2006 ⁷³ Heroin	2 centers Russia	6 months	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day with and without fluoxetine 20 mg/day (n=140; n=70 in each group) B. Placebo with and without fluoxetine 20 mg/day (n=140; n=70 in each group) Biweekly counseling delivered by trained therapists to both groups	Age 18-40 years; DSM-IV criteria for opioid dependence for at least 1 year; abstinence from heroin and other substances of abuse for at least 1 week; negative urine opiate drug		N=280 Loss to followup: NR	A vs. B Narrative report of 80- 100% adherence based on riboflavin positive urine tests. No data stratified according to intervention group.	Fair	NIH; study drugs provided by DuPont (naltrexon e) and Gideon Richter (fluoxetine)
Krupitsky, 2011 ²⁵ Heroin (88%), methadone (12%), other opioids and analgesics (13%)	13 centers Russia	24 weeks	(n=126) B. Injectable placebo every 4 weeks (n=124) Participants were offered 12 biweekly	Age ≥18 years; DSM-IV criteria	A vs. B Mean age 29 vs. 30 years 10% vs. 14% female 98% vs. 100% white; other races/ethnicities NR Duration of opioid dependence: 9.1 vs. 10.0 years	N=250 Loss to followup: 4.8% (12/250)	A vs. B Number of missing urine samples: 33.1% (833/2520) vs. 50.6% (1255/2480) Number of scheduled counseling sessions received: 99.7% (1191/1194) vs. 99.6% (922/926)	Good	Alkermes

Author, year Type of opioid used	Number of centers Country	Duration of followup	Intervention described and comparisons	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence	Quality rating	Funding source
Krupsky, 2012 ²⁴ and Krupitsky, 2016 ⁷⁵ Heroin	2 centers Russia	6 months	A. Naltrexone bimonthly implant 1000 mg + oral placebo (n=102) B. Placebo implant + oral naltrexone 50 mg/day (n=102) C. Placebo implant + oral placebo (n=102) All patients received individual counseling based on a modified version of the treatment used in the NIDA Collaborative Cocaine Treatment Study, delivered by experienced masters' level psychologists and addiction psychiatrists. Counselors were provided with a copy	from heroin and other substances for the past week or more; negative results of urine toxicology and alcohol breath tests; no psychotropic medication; ability to provide informed consent; passed naloxone challenge Excluded: major psychiatric disorder; advanced neurological, cardiovascular, renal, or hepatic disease; active tuberculosis or current febrile illness; AIDS definingillness; significant laboratory abnormality;	A vs. B vs. C Mean age 28 vs. 28 vs. 29 years 28% vs. 28% vs. 28% female Race NR Duration of heroin abuse: 7.8 vs. 7.9 vs. 8.3 years Previous drug treatment episodes: 4.9 vs. 4.3 vs. 3.8 HIV positive: 43% vs. 52% vs. 46% Hepatitis B positive: 18% vs. 16% vs. 13% Hepatitis C positive: 96% vs. 96% vs. 94% RAB drug risk score: 8.0 vs. 8.1 vs. 8.7 GAF score: 64.7 vs. 62.8 vs. 62.5 ASI medical problems	N=306 Loss to followup: 21% (65/306)	A vs. B vs. C Narrative report of 70- 100% adherence based on riboflavin positive samples, consistent with capsule counts and self report	Good	NIDA; Fidelity Capital and Zambon (study drugs)

Type of opioid used	Number of centers Country	of followup	Intervention described and comparisons		Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence	rating	Funding source
opioid used Krupitsky, 2013 ⁷⁴ Heroin	Country 2 centers Russia	6 months of treatment with followup through 12 months	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day with or without guanfacine 1 mg/day (n=151; n=75 with and n=76 without guanfacine) B. Placebo with or without guanfacine 1 mg/day (n=150; n=75 in each group) Participants were offered 12 biweekly	Age 18-50 years; DSM-IV criteria for opioid dependence present for at least a year; abstinent from heroin and other substances of abuse for at least one week; negative urine screen; at least one relative willing to participate in treatment, monitor medication adherence and assist in follow- up Excluded: significant cognitive impairment; schizophrenia; major depression; bipolar or seizure disorder; advanced clinical disease; significant laboratory abnormality; legal charges with impending incarceration; participation in another treatment study; concurrent treatment in another substance abuse	A vs. B Mean age 29 vs. 29 years 16% vs. 19% female Race NR Duration of heroin use: 8.1 vs. 8.5 years Previous drug treatment episodes: 4.2 vs. 4.2 Opioid craving scale score (Visual Analog Scale NR): 3.4 vs. 3.3 HIV positive: 42% vs. 55% RAB drug risk score: 8.7 vs. 8.2 RAB sex risk score: 4.6 vs. 4.7 GAF score: 62.6 vs. 63.1	followup N=301 Loss to followup: 37% (112/301)	Adherence A vs. B Narrative report of adherence ranging from 75-100% in the naltrexone group, based on urine screening tests	rating Good	source NIH
					ASI alconol score: 0.11 vs. 0.11 ASI drug use problems score: 0.33 vs. 0.29 ASI legal problems score: 0.09 vs. 0.08 ASI family problems score: 0.33 vs. 0.39 ASI psychiatric problems score: 0.21 to 0.23				

Type of	Number of centers Country	Duration of followup	Intervention described and comparisons	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence	Quality rating	Funding source
Lerner,	3 centers	2 months	A. Oral naltrexone	DSM-III criteria for opioid	NR by intervention group	N=31	NR	Fair	NR
1992 ⁷⁶	Israel	treatment,	12.5 mg/day titrated	dependence applying for	Mean age 27 (range 22-34;	Loss to			
		with follow-	to 50 mg/day by day	treatment, recently abstinent,	SD 3.2) years	followup:			
Heroin		up through	3 continuing to day	pharmacologically detoxified and	% female NR	NR			
		1 year	10, followed by 100	opioid-free for 1 to 2 weeks,	Race NR				
			mg/day Monday,	negative naloxone challenge	Duration of heroin use: 2.8				
			Wednesday and 150	test.	years				
			mg/day Friday for		Previous drug treatment:				
			total 2 months		1.2 (range 1-4; SD 1.01)				
			treatment (n=15)						
			B. Oral placebo						
			(n=16)						
			All patients received						
			counseling and						
			individual and group						
			psychotherapy when						
1			deemed necessary.						

Type of opioid used	Number of centers Country	of followup		Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence	rating	Funding source
San, 1991 ⁷⁷ Heroin	Single center Spain	treatment with followup	titrated to 50 mg on day 3, 50 mg/day on days 4 to 7, 100 mg/day Monday, Wednesday and 150 mg/day Friday for total of 1 month, then:	Age 18-30 years meeting DSM- III criteria for opioid/heroin dependence, completed detoxification Excluded: organic disease; psychiatric disorder; unable to follow scheduled attendance program; pregnant or breastfeeding; co-occurring alcoholism	A vs. B Mean age 26 vs. 27 years 21% vs. 27% female Race/ethnicity NR Duration of heroin use: 6.5 vs. 8.0 years Previous drug treatment: 2.4 vs. 2.4 Number of drugs consumed before treatment: 6.0 vs. 5.9 Employed: 75% vs. 55%	N=50 Loss to followup: 14% (7/50)	A vs. B Adherence (compliance with regimen): 94.4% vs. 82.2%	Fair	Centro para la Investigac on y Rehabilita cion de Adictos a Narcoticos

Type of	Number of centers Country	Duration of followup	Intervention described and comparisons	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics		Adherence	rating	Funding source
Schottenfeld, 2008 ⁶⁹	Single center Malaysia	6 months	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day week 1, titrated to 100-150	DSM-IV criteria for heroin dependence and opioid-positive urine screen, completed	A vs. B Mean age 38 vs. 38 years Gender NR	N=82 Loss to followup:	NR	Fair	NIDA
Study also compares			mg/day Monday, Wednesday and	residential detoxification program Excluded: Alcohol,	Malay ethnicity: 65% vs. 69%; other races/	NR			
buprenorphi ne vs. placebo			Friday weeks 2-24 (n=43) B. Placebo (n=39)	benzodiazepine or sedative dependent; alkaline phosphatase or alanine transaminase >3x	ethnicities NR Duration of heroin use: 16.4 vs.14.8 years	Total N=126, including			
Heroin			Manual-guided	upper limit of normal; danger to	Previous drug treatment: 70% vs. 59%	N=44 in the buprenorph			
			weekly individual counseling 45 minutes/session and group therapy aimed at relapse prevention, coping skills training, and HIV risk reduction delivered to all groups	psychotic/major depression; life- threatening medical problems	Heroin use in past 30 days: 26 vs. 28 days History of incarceration: 70% vs. 59%				
Shufman, 1994 ⁷⁸ Heroin	Single center Israel	12 weeks	A. Oral naltrexone 25 mg/day day 1 and	drugs commonly used in Israel (opiates, hashish, benzodiazepines) for between 10 days and 1 year, following	Duration of opioid use: 6.7	N=32 Loss to followup: NR	NR	Fair	Anti-Drug Authority of Israel
			Voluntary individual behavioral and supportive psychotherapy, 1 hour/week	detoxification Excluded: heroin mean use of >1 g/day; injection drug user; severe mental disorder or physical illness	0.41 vs. 0.44 grams				
	Single center Italy	6 months	mg/day +	DSM-IV criteria for opioid dependence	<i>NR by intervention group</i> Mean age 27 (range 22-34;	Loss to	NR	Fair	NR
NR			psychological support (n=28) B. Psychological support alone (n=14)		SD 3.2) years 9% female Race NR Duration of heroin use: 2.8 years Previous drug treatment: 1.2 (range 1-4; SD 1.01)	followup: NR			

Abbreviations: ASI = Addiction Severity Index; DSM = Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders; GAF = Global Assessment of Function; NIDA = National Institute on Drug Abuse; NIH = National Institutes of Health; NR = not reported; RAB = Risk Assessment Battery; SD = standard deviation; U.S. = United States; VA = United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons	setting	Treatment setting			Intensity of intervention	Mentions intervention materials?
1997 ⁷⁰ Primarily heroin	A. Oral naltrexone 25 mg/day for 2 days, 50 mg/day for 3 days; after approximately 1 week titrated to 100 mg/day on Tuesday and 150 mg/day on Friday + counseling (n=34) B. Counseling alone (n=17)	minimum 2 years of probation or parole	Outpatient, coordinated through probation office	NR	by staff at office visits	Naltrexone: 5 days/week initially, then 2 days a week Counseling: 3 sessions/week for 2 weeks	NR
,	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day (n=35) B. Placebo (n=14)	NR	Outpatient treatment center	NR	Medication administered after breakfast, supervised by sponsor (family or friend)	Daily	NR
1978 ⁷¹ Not specified	mg/day for 5 days, 100 mg/day sixth day, no drug seventh day, titrated to 100 mg/day 2 days a week + 150 mg/day 1 day a week (n=NR) B. Oral placebo syrup (n=NR) No description of any counseling component for either group	drug-free following incarceration or in a drug-free therapeutic program (48%)	specialty clinic	NR		3-6 days/week	NR
200472	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day (n=27) B. Placebo (n=25) Biweekly counseling delivered by trained therapists to both groups		specialty clinic	Counseling: Therapists were trained over 5 days prior to study initiation	Counseling: individual therapy	Counseling: every 2 weeks	Counseling: delivered according to standards in The Penn-VA Addiction Counseling Manual (Mercer and Woody, 1998)

Appendix B2. Naltrexone Trials – Intervention Characteristics

Author, year Type of opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons		Treatment setting	Mentions training required for practitioners?	Mode of delivery	Intensity of intervention	Mentions intervention materials?
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day with and without fluoxetine 20 mg/day	Inpatient (~45%) and outpatient (~55%)	Outpatient specialty clinic	Counseling: Therapists were trained over 5	Counseling: individual therapy	Counseling: every 2 weeks	Counseling: delivered according to
	(n=140; n=70 in each group) B. Placebo with and without fluoxetine 20 mg/day (n=140; n=70 in each group) Biweekly counseling delivered by trained therapists to both groups			days prior to study initiation			standards in The Penn-VA Addiction Counseling Manual (Mercer and Woody, 1998)
2011 ²⁵ Heroin (88%), methadone (12%), other opioids and			Setting not described	NR	Counseling: individual therapy	Counseling: every 2 weeks	NR

Author,				Mentions			
year				training			Mentions
Type of	Intervention described and	Recruitment	Treatment	required for			intervention
opioid used	comparisons	setting	setting	practitioners?	Mode of delivery	Intensity of intervention	materials?
Krupitsky,	A. Naltrexone bimonthly	Inpatient (93%) or	Outpatient	Counseling:	Counseling: individual	Counseling: 45 minute	Counseling:
2012 ²⁴ and	implant 1000 mg + oral	outpatient (7%)	specialty clinic	Experienced	therapy	sessions every 2 weeks	http://archives.dru
	placebo (n=102)			therapists given			gabuse.gov/TXMa
	B. Placebo implant + oral		detoxification)	overview of			nuals/IDCA/IDCA1
	naltrexone 50 mg/day			counseling			6.html
Heroin	(n=102)			techniques by			
	C. Placebo implant + oral			treatment			
	placebo (n=102)			manual's authors			
	All patients received						
	individual counseling based						
	on a modified version of the						
	treatment used in the NIDA						
	Collaborative Cocaine						
	Treatment Study, delivered						
	by experienced masters'						
	level psychologists and						
	addiction psychiatrists.						
	Counselors were provided						
	with a copy of the treatment						
	manual given an overview of						
	counseling techniques by						
	the manual's authors, and						
	supervised by one of the						
	study investigators.						
		Inpatient (80%) or	Outpatient	Counseling:	Counseling: individual		Counseling:
201374		outpatient (20%)	specialty clinic		therapy	weeks	delivered
	guanfacine 1 mg/day			therapists were			according to
Heroin	(n=151; n=75 with and n=76			trained in			standards in The
	without guanfacine)			counseling			Penn-VA
	B. Placebo with or without			techniques prior			Addiction
	guanfacine 1 mg/day			to study and			Counseling
	(n=150; n=75 in each group)			supervised			Manual (Mercer
	Participants were offered 12			biweekly by study	/		and Woody, 1998)
	biweekly sessions of			author			modified for use in
	individual drug counseling						opioid
	adapted for opioid						dependence and
	dependence						Russian language

Author,				Mentions			
year				training			Mentions
Type of	Intervention described and	Recruitment	Treatment	required for			intervention
opioid used	comparisons	setting	setting	practitioners?	Mode of delivery	Intensity of intervention	materials?
Lerner, 1992 ⁷⁶ Heroin	A. Oral naltrexone 12.5 mg/day titrated to 50 mg/day	Outpatient (housing project or mental health clinic)	Outpatient specialty clinic	NR	Counseling: individual and group therapy		NR
	and group psychotherapy when deemed necessary.						
San, 1991 ⁷⁷	Oral naltrexone 12.5 mg/day on day 1 titrated to 50 mg on		Outpatient specialty clinic	NR	Unclear	Unclear	NR
	day 3, then 50 mg/day on days 4 to 7, then 100 mg/day Monday, Wednesday and 150 mg/day Friday for total of 1 month, then: A. Oral naltrexone 100 mg/day Monday, Wednesday, 150 mg/day Friday for 5 months (n=28) B. Placebo with quinine (10 mcg/day) for 5 months (n=22) "Supportive psychotherapy" provided at scheduled visits. Patients has 3 visits/week, but it is unclear if psychotherapy was provided at every visit.		(after inpatient detoxification)				

opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons	setting	Treatment setting	Mentions training required for practitioners?		Intensity of intervention	Mentions intervention materials?
Schottenfeld , 2008 ⁶⁹	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day week 1, titrated to 100-150 mg/day Monday,	Community	Outpatient specialty clinic (after inpatient	Counseling: nurses trained over 4 days in	Counseling: group and individual therapy	Counseling: weekly 45 minute sessions	Counseling: manual guided therapy;
Study also	Wednesday and Friday		detoxification)	delivering			proprietary
compares	weeks 2-24 (n=43)			individual therapy			information NR
buprenorph ine vs.	B. Placebo (n=39)						
placebo	Manual-guided weekly individual counseling 45						
Heroin	minutes/session and group therapy aimed at relapse prevention, coping skills training, and HIV risk reduction delivered to all groups						
	A. Oral naltrexone 25 mg/day day 1 and day 4 for 2 weeks; 50 mg/day 3	Unclear	Outpatient specialty clinic	NR	Counseling: individual therapy	Counseling: 1 hour/week	NR
Heroin	days/week weeks 3-12 (n=16) B. Placebo (n=16)						
	Voluntary individual behavioral and supportive psychotherapy, 1 hour/week						
Stella, 2005 ⁷⁹	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day + psychological support (n=28)	Unclear	Setting not described	NR	NR	NR	NR
NR	B. Psychological support alone (n=14)						

Abbreviations: NIDA = National Institute on Drug Abuse; NR = not reported; VA = United States Department of Veterans Affairs.

Author, year Type of opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons		Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	Social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Cornish, 1997 ⁷⁰ Primarily heroin	mg/day for 2 days, 50 mg/day for 3 days; after approximately 1 week titrated to 100 mg/day on Tuesday and 150 mg/day on Friday + counseling (n=34) B. Counseling alone (n=17)	absences for ≥2	A vs. B Proportion of opioid-positive urine tests: 8% vs. 30% (n/N NR); p<0.05	NR	A vs. B Reincarceration: 26% (9/34) vs. 56% (10/17); RR 0.45 (95% Cl 0.23 to 0.89)	higher level of "distress" in control
Guo, 2001⁵ Heroin	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day (n=35) B. Placebo (n=14)	NR	A vs. B Relapse (not defined): 71% (25/35) vs. 93% (13/14); RR 0.77 (95% Cl 0.60 to 0.99) Positive urine test for morphine (based on total samples): 24.7% (39/158) vs. 40.5% (17/42); p<0.05 Abstinence duration, months (mean): 3.34 (SD 2.29) vs. 2.08 (SD 1.59)	NR	NR	A vs. B Narrative report that most adverse events were mild; no serious adverse events or withdrawals due to adverse events reported
Hollister, 1978 ⁷¹ Not specified	mg/day for 5 days, 100	≥8 months: 7 vs. 6 (denominators NR)		NR	A vs. B Narrative report of no differences between groups in law enforcement contact	A vs. B Withdrawals due to adverse events: 1 vs. 1 Serious adverse events: 5 vs. 1

Author,						
year Type of	Intervention described and				Social or legal	
			Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	-	Adverse events
	comparisons A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day (n=27) B. Placebo (n=25) Biweekly counseling delivered by trained	Retention in care A vs. B Retained in care without relapse, 6 months: 44% (12/27) vs. 16% (4/25); RR 2.78 (95% CI 1.03 to 7.49)	withdrawal): 29.6% (8/27) vs. 72.0% (18/25), RR 0.41 (95% CI 0.22 to 0.77) Addiction Severity Index score, mean score, 6 months: drug and alcohol use: 0.26 vs. 0.06, p=NS; legal status: 0.25 vs. 0.03, p=NS; family/social relationships: 0.34 vs. 0.04; p=NS; psychiatric status: 0.18 vs. 0.05; p=NS Alcohol use: Significant increase in naltrexone patients	1.3) vs. 5.6 (SE 1.5); 6 months: 2.4 (SE 1.3) vs. 4.5 (SE 3.1) SSAI, 3 months: 36.4 (SE 2.8) vs. 33.0 (SE 2.3); 6 months: 32.3 (SE 2.7) vs. 30.0 (SE 5.7) STAI, 3 months: 38.1 (SE 2.1) vs. 36.3 (SE 1.9); 6 months: 35.3 (SE 2.1) vs. 34.3 (SE 4.6)	outcomes NR	Adverse events A vs. B Suicide attempt: 4% (1/27) vs. 0% (0/25); RR 2.39 (95% CI 0.12 to 65)

Author, year						
	Intervention described and				Social or legal	
			Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	outcomes	Adverse events
1 27		A vs. B	A vs. B	NR	NR	A vs. B
	J	Retained in care	Relapse (reported everyday			Withdrawals due to
			heroin use, three consecutive			adverse events:
Heroin	(n=140; n=70 in each group)	(55/140) vs. 16%	opioid-positive urine tests, or			1.4% (2/140) vs.
	B. Placebo with and without		signs/symptoms of			0% (0/140); RR
			withdrawal): 31% (43/140) vs.			5.00 (95% CI 0.24
	(n=140; n=70 in each group)	3.86)	60% (84/140); RR 0.51 (95%			to 103)
			CI 0.39 to 0.68)			
	Biweekly counseling		Proportion of urine tests that			
	delivered by trained		were positive: 5.6% (53/946)			
	therapists to both groups		vs. 10.3% (63/610); RR 0.54			
			(95% CI 0.38 to 0.77)			
			Narrative report of no			
			difference between groups in			
			use of stimulants and			
			marijuana.			
			Narrative report of no			
			difference between groups in			
			composite Addiction Severity			
			Index scores.			
			Narrative report of no			
			difference between groups in			
			RAB drug risk or risky sexual			
			behavior scores.			
			Narrative report of no			
			difference between groups in			
			drug craving			

Author, year						
	Intervention described and				Social or legal	
			Drug use and behavior		outcomes	Adverse events
Krupitsky,	A. Injectable naltrexone 300	A vs. B	A vs. B	A vs. B	NR	A vs. B
2011 ²⁵	mg/every 4 weeks (n=126)	Proportion of	Non-abstinent (positive urine	Mortality: no deaths in either		Withdrawals due to
	B. Injectable placebo every 4	patients completing	drug test or self-reported	group		adverse events:
Heroin	weeks (n=124)	trial without positive	opioid use): 64% (81/126) vs.	Overdose: no overdose		1.6% (2/126) vs.
(88%),		naloxone challenge:	77% (96/124); RR 0.83 (95%	events in either group		2% (2/124); RR
methadone	Participants were offered 12	53.2% (67/126) vs.	CI 0.71 to 0.98)	Mean change from baseline		0.98 (95% CI 0.14
(12%), other	biweekly sessions of		Proportion of self-reported	on Euro-Qol-5 scale: 14.1		to 6.88)
opioids and	individual drug counseling	1.40 (95% CI 1.06 to	opioid-free days: 99.2% vs.	(95% CI 9.6 to 18.7) vs. 2.7		Serious adverse
analgesics	adapted for opioid	1.85)	60.4%; p=0.0004	(95% CI 1.9 to 7.8); p=0.0005		events: 2.4%
(13%)	dependence		Mean change in opioid craving	Proportion rated "much		(3/126) vs. 3%
			scale score: -10.1 (95% CI -	improved" on clinical global		(4/124); RR 0.74
			12.3 to -7.8) vs. 0.7 (95% CI -	impressions scale: 85.9%		(95% CI 0.17 to
			3.1 to 4.4); p<0.0001	(95% CI 77.8 to 94%) vs.		3.23)
			Mean change in HIV risk	57.5% (95% CI 45.7 vs.		
			behavior score: -0.187 (95% CI	69.5%); p=0.0002		
			-0.224 to -0.150) vs0.130	Short Form-36 Item Health		
			(95% CI -0.173 to -0.087);	Survey mental component		
			p=0.02	score: 50.37 (SD 9.18) vs.		
				45.28 (SD 10.47); mean		
				difference 5.09 (95% CI 2.09		
				to 8.09); p=0.004		

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	Intervention described and		Drug was and babayian	Clinical health autoamaa	Social or legal	A duara a quanta
			Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	outcomes	Adverse events
		A vs. B vs. C:	A vs. B vs. C	A vs. B vs. C	NR	A vs. B vs. C
	J	Retained in care	Relapse (daily heroin use,	BDI: 2.80 (SE 0.49) vs. 6.11		Withdrawals due to
		without relapse, 6	signs and symptoms of	(SE 2.03) vs. 1.50 (SE 0.73)		adverse events:
2016 ⁷⁵		months: 52.9%	withdrawal, or positive	SSAI: 34.4 (SE 1.34) vs. 383.		2.0% (2/102) vs.
	naltrexone 50 mg/day	(54/102) vs. 15.7%	naloxone challenge): 12.7%	(SE 2.14) vs. 36.6 (SE 3.82)		0% (0/102) vs. 0%
Heroin		(16/102) vs. 10.8%	(13/102) vs. 56.9% (58/102)	STAI: 37.7 (SE 0.93) vs. 40.3		(0/102); RR 5.00
	•	(11/102);	vs. 68.6% (70/102);	(SE 1.47) vs. 39.2 (SE 2.27)		(95% CI 0.24 to
		A vs. C: RR 4.91	A vs. C: RR 0.19 (95% CI 0.11			103)
		N	to 0.31);			Narrative report of
		8.83);	B vs. C: RR 0.22 (95% CI 0.13			no evidence of
	J	B vs. C: RR 1.45	to 0.38)			increased risk of
		(95% CI 0.71 to	Proportion of negative urine			death due to
		2.98)	screening tests (of total urine			overdose after
	National Institute on Drug		tests): 63.6% (908/1428) vs.			naltrexone
	Abuse Collaborative		42.7% (610/1428) vs. 34.1%			treatment (data NR)
	Cocaine Treatment Study,		(487/1428);			
	delivered by experienced		A vs. C: RR 1.86 (95% CI 1.72			
	masters' level psychologists		to 2.02);			
	and addiction psychiatrists.		B vs. C: RR 1.25 (95% CI 1.14			
	Counselors were provided		to 1.38)			
	with a copy of the treatment		Opioid craving score, 6 months			
	manual given an overview of		(scale 1-10; higher			
	counseling techniques by		score=more craving): 0.33 (SE			
	the manual's authors, and		0.19) vs. 0.29 (SE 0.11) vs.			
	supervised by one of the		1.09 (SE 0.84)			
	study investigators.					

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Type of	Intervention described and				Social or legal	
opioid used	comparisons	Retention in care	Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	outcomes	Adverse events
Krupitsky, 2013 ⁷⁴ Heroin	A. Oral naltrexone 50 mg/day with or without guanfacine 1 mg/day (n=151; n=75 with and n=76 without guanfacine) B. Placebo with or without guanfacine 1 mg/day (n=150; n=75 in each group) Participants were offered 12 biweekly sessions of individual drug counseling adapted for opioid dependence	A vs. B Retained in care without relapse, 6 months: 23% (35/151) vs. 8.7% (13/150); RR 2.67 (95% CI 1.47 to	A vs. B	A vs. B Narrative report of no difference in depression, anxiety, Global Assessment of Function or HIV risk behavior between groups (data NR)	NR	A vs. B Narrative report of no differences between groups in adverse events
	mg/day titrated to 50 mg/day by day 3 continuing to day 10, followed by 100 mg/day	months: 60.0% (9/15) vs. 50.0% (8/16)	n/N NR for the naltrexone arm A vs. B Non-abstinent (positive urinalysis), 1 year (10 months after completing treatment): 47% (7/15) vs. 62% (10/16); RR 0.75 (95% CI 0.39 to 1.45) One or more attempts to take opioids (self-report): 53.3% (8/15) vs. 50.0% (8/16); RR 1.07 (95% CI 0.54 to 2.11)	NR	A vs. B Narrative report of fewer police records among subjects who completed two-month treatment; between group difference NR	NR

Author, year						
	Intervention described and				Social or legal	
			Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	outcomes	Adverse events
San, 1991 ⁷⁷	Oral naltrexone 12.5 mg/day	A vs. B	A vs. B	A vs. B	A vs. B	A vs. B
	on day 1 titrated to 50 mg on	Completed treatment	Non-abstinent (positive	Mortality: 7.1% (2/28) vs. 0%	Narrative report of no	Withdrawals due to
Heroin	day 3, then 50 mg/day on	without dropout, 6	urinalysis), 12 months (6	(0/22); RR 3.97 (95% CI 0.20	significant difference	adverse events:
	days 4 to 7, then 100	months: 14% (4/28)	months after completing	to 79)	between groups in	None in either
	mg/day Monday,	vs. 36% (8/22); RR	treatment): 57% (16/28) vs.	Minnesota Multiphasic	number of employed	group
	Wednesday and 150 mg/day	0.39 (95% CI 0.14 to	55% (12/22); RR 1.05 (95% CI	Personality Inventory	at 6 months (similar to	
	Friday for total of 1 month,	1.14)	0.64 to 1.72)	depression score: 73.7 vs.	baseline rates)	
	then:	Duration of	Mean number of urine tests:	65.5; p<0.02		
	A. Oral naltrexone 100	treatment, weeks	23.6 (SD 16.6) vs. 38.1 (SD			
	mg/day Monday,	(mean): 7.5 (SD 5.7)	21.6)			
	Wednesday, 150 mg/day	vs. 8.9 (SD 4.8);	Proportion of urine tests			
	Friday for 5 months (n=28)	p=NS	positive for opioids: 12.8% vs.			
	B. Placebo with quinine (10		9.6%; cocaine: 15.1% vs.			
	mcg/day) for 5 months		20.3%; cannabinoids: 52.4%			
	(n=22)		vs. 26.9%; p values NR			
			Mean duration of treatment:			
	"Supportive psychotherapy"		7.5 (SD 5.7) vs. 8.1 (SD 5.3)			
	provided at scheduled visits.		weeks; p=NS			
	Patients has 3 visits/week,		Drug-free, 1 year: 32% vs.			
	but it is unclear if		36% (n/N NR, denominator			
	psychotherapy was provided		unclear)			
	at every visit.					

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		Retention in care	Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	outcomes	Adverse events
	A. Oral naltrexone 50	A vs. B	A vs. B	A vs. B vs. C	NR	A vs. B
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, 2008 ⁶⁹		Retained in care, 6	3 consecutive positive urine	Mortality: No deaths in either		Withdrawals due to
			tests or opiate positive test	group		adverse events:
Study also			followed by two consecutive			None in either
	weeks 2-24 (n=43)		positive or missing tests: 91%			group
		4.45)	(39/43) vs. 92% (36/39); RR			Serious adverse
ine vs.		5	0.98 (95% CI 0.86 to 1.12)			events
placebo		84 vs. 70; p=0.55	Abstinent at study completion:			(hospitalization):
	individual counseling 45		2% (1/43) vs. 3%(1/39); RR			19% (8/43) vs. 3%
Heroin	minutes/session and group		0.91 (95% CI 0.06 to 14)			(1/39); RR 7.26
	therapy aimed at relapse		Injection drug use in past 30			(95% CI 0.95 to 55)
	prevention, coping skills		days: 6.9% (2/29) vs. 8.7%			Severe
	training, and HIV risk		(2/23); RR 0.79 (95% CI 0.12			constipation: 23%
	reduction delivered to all		to 5.21)			(8/35) vs. 22%
	groups		Maximum consecutive days			(8/36); RR 1.03
			abstinent: 42 (95% CI 28 to 57)			(95% CI 0.43 to
			vs. 24 (95% CI 13 to 35);			2.44)
			p=0.18			Urinary hesitancy:
			HIV risk behavior, AIDS Risk			9% (3/35) vs. 22%
			Inventory mean score, 6			(8/36); RR 0.39
			months: 43.1 (95% CI 33.5 to			(95% CI 0.11 to
			52.7) vs. 43.6 (95% CI 34.9 vs.			1.34)
			52.4); p=0.14			Drowsiness: 17%
			Days in treatment without			(6/35) vs. 28%
			heroin use: 24 vs. 18; p=0.82			(10/36); RR 0.62
			Days in treatment without			(95% CI 0.25 to
			heroin relapse: 64 vs. 39;			1.52)
			p=0.15			Sweating: 11%
			ľ			(4/35) vs. 14%
						(5/36); RR 0.82
						(95% CI 0.24 to
						2.81)
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year Type of	Intervention described and				Social or legal	
opioid used	comparisons	Retention in care	Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	outcomes	Adverse events
Shufman,	A. Oral naltrexone 25	A vs. B	A vs. B	A vs. B	NR	A vs. B
1994 ⁷⁸	mg/day on day 1 and day 4	Retained in care, 12	≥1 positive urine opioid drug	Depression: 31.3% (5/16) vs.		Narrative report of
	for 2 weeks; 50 mg/day 3	weeks: 50.0% (8/16)	test: 62% (10/16) vs. 81%	56.3% (9/16); RR 0.56 (95%		no differences
Heroin	days/week weeks 3-12	vs. 56.3% (9/16); RŔ	(13/16), RR 0.77 (95% CI 0.49	CI 0.24 to 1.29)		between groups in
	(n=16)	0.89 (95% CI 0.46 to	to 1.20)			adverse events
	B. Placebo (n=16)	1.71)	Narrative report of no			
			difference between groups in			
	Voluntary individual		number of positive urine tests			
	behavioral and supportive		(p=0.24)			
	psychotherapy, 1 hour/week					
Stella,	A. Oral naltrexone 50	NR	A vs. B	NR	NR	NR by intervention
2005 ⁷⁹	mg/day + psychological		Relapse (not defined): 57%			group
	support (n=28)		(16/28) vs. 79% (11/14), RR			
NR	B. Psychological support		0.73 (95% CI 0.48 to 1.11)			
	alone (n=14)					

Abbreviations: BDI = Beck Depression Index; CI = confidence interval; NS = not significant; NR = not reported; RAB = Risk Assessment Battery; RR = risk ratio; SD = standard deviation; SE = standard error; SSAI = Spielberger State Anxiety Scale; STAI = Spielberger Trait Anxiety Scale.

Author, year	Valid random assignment/ random sequence generation methods	Allocation concealment	Balance in baseline characteristics	Fidelity to intervention protocol	Low risk of contamination between groups	Participants analyzed as originally allocated	No, or minimal, post- randomization exclusions	Outcome data reasonably complete and comparable between groups
Cornish, 1997 ⁷⁰	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	No (not complete)
Guo, 2001⁵	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Hollister, 1978 ⁷¹	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes
Krupitsky, 2004 ⁷²	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Krupitsky, 2006 ⁷³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Krupitsky, 2011²⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Krupitsky, 2012²₄ and Krupitsky, 2016⁵⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Krupitsky, 2013 ⁷⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lerner, 1992 ⁷⁶	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes
San, 1991 ⁷⁷	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes
Schottenfeld, 2008 ⁶⁹	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes
Shufman, 1994 ⁷⁸	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes
Stella, 2005 ⁷⁹	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes

Author, year	Time point and	Reasons for missing data similar across groups		Blinding of outcome assessors	Blinding of clinicians/ care provider	Blinding of patients	procedures and	No evidence of biased use of inferential statistics	No evidence that measures, analyses, or subgroup analyses selectively reported	Quality Rating
Cornish, 1997 ⁷⁰	6 months; unclear	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Guo, 2001⁵	6 months: 90% (44/49)	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Fair
Hollister, 1978 ⁷¹	9 months: unclear	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Krupitsky, 2004 ⁷²	6 months: unclear	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Krupitsky, 2006 ⁷³	6 months: unclear	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Krupitsky, 2011 ²⁵	6 months: 95% (238/250)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Krupitsky, 2012 ²⁴ and Krupitsky, 2016 ⁷⁵	6 months: 79% (241/306)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Krupitsky, 2013 ⁷⁴	6 months: 63% (189/301)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Lerner, 1992 ⁷⁶	2 months: unclear	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
San, 1991 ⁷⁷	6 months: 86% (43/50)	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Schottenfeld, 2008 ⁶⁹	6 months: unclear	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Shufman, 1994 ⁷⁸	3 months: unclear	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Stella, 2005 ⁷⁹	6 months: unclear	Yes		Yes (naltrexone group only)	、	Yes (naltrexone group only)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair

Appendix B5. Methadone and Buprenorphine Trials – Study Characteristics

Author, year Type of opioid used	Number of centers Country	followup	Intervention described and comparisons	Inclusion criteria		N Loss to followup	Adherence	rating	Funding source
Gruber, 2008 ⁸⁰ Heroin	Single center U.S.	6 months	minimal counseling, followed by 6 week taper (n=35)		Age: 43 vs. 40 vs. 43 years Female: 46% vs. 46% vs. 26% white: 37% vs. 46% vs. 41% black: 24% vs. 30% vs. 27% Latino: 20% vs. 22% vs. 19% Native American: 3% vs. 3%	N=111 Loss to followup at 8.5 months: 51.4% (18/35) vs. 48.6% (18/37) vs. 61.5% (24/39)	NR	Fair	NIDA
Kakko, 2003 ⁸¹ Heroin	Single center Sweden	12 months	A. Buprenorphine 16 mg sublingual (n=20) B. Buprenorphine taper (6 days) followed by placebo (n=20)	dependence clinic, aged	A vs. B Age: 29 vs. 32 years	N=40 Loss to followup: none	NR		Schering Plough, Swedish Medical Council, NIDA
Krook, 2002 ⁸² Heroin	Single center Norway	3 months	on Saturday and no dose	Age 25 years or older,	Age: 38 vs. 38 years Female: 35% vs. 33%	N=106 Loss to followup: 7% (7/106)	A vs. B Compliance (% of doses taken per day of participation) : 83% vs. 85%		Schering Plough, Norwegian Social and Health Departmen

Appendix B5. Methadone and Buprenorphine Trials – Study Characteristics

Author, year Type of opioid used	Number of centers Country	Duration of	Intervention described and comparisons	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence	 Funding source
Ling, 2010 ⁸³ Heroin: 63% Prescription pain medication: 37%		6 months	A. Buprenorphine implant, 4 implants of 80 mg each	women age 18-65 years with current opioid	Age: 36 vs. 39 years Female: 33% vs. 27% Race/ethnicity: white: 76% vs.	N=163 Loss to followup: 9% (10/108) vs. 7% (4/55)	A vs. B Adherent: 89% (96/108) vs. 87% (48/55)	Titan Pharma- ceuticals
Rosenthal, 2013 ⁸⁴ Heroin: 62% Prescription pain medication: 37%	20 centers U.S.	6 months	A. Buprenorphine implant, 4 implants of 80 mg each (n=114) B: Open-label buprenorphine-naloxone sublingual 12-16 mg/day, supervised dosing (n=119) C. Placebo implant (n=54)	women age 18-65 years with current opioid dependence (DSM-IV)	Age: 36 vs. 35 vs. 35 years Female: 37% vs. 40% vs. 43% Race/ethnicity: white: 83% vs. 82% vs. 83%, black: 12% vs.	N=287 Loss to followup: 8% (9/114) vs. 14% (17/119) vs. 6% (3/54)	NR	Titan Pharma- ceuticals, Reckit/ Benckiser Pharma- ceuticals

Appendix B5. Methadone and Buprenorphine Trials – Study Characteristics

Author, year Type of opioid used	Country	followup		Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence	Quality rating	Funding source
Schottenfeld, 2008 ⁶⁹ Heroin		6 months	A. Buprenorphine sublingual 8 mg/day week 1, titrated to 16-24 mg/day Monday, Wednesday and Friday weeks 2-24. Further dose titration to 24-36 mg/day was allowed in patients reporting craving, withdrawal or persistent heroin use (n=44) B. Placebo (n=39) Manual-guided weekly individual counseling 45	positive urine screen, completed residential detoxification program Excluded: Alcohol, benzodiazepine or sedative dependent; alkaline phosphatase or alanine transaminase >3x upper limit of normal; danger to themselves or others; psychotic/major depression; life- threatening medical problems	A vs. B Mean age 36 vs. 38 years Gender NR Malaysian ethnicity: 71% vs. 69%; other races/ethnicities NR Duration of heroin use: 14.5 vs. 14.8 years Previous drug treatment: 64% vs. 59% Heroin use in past 30 days: 27 vs. 28 days History of incarceration: 64% vs. 59% HIV-positive: 26% vs. 13% Hepatitis C-positive: 89% vs. 92% Current injection drug use: 46% vs. 41%	N=83 Loss to followup: NR <i>Total N=126,</i> <i>including 43 in</i> <i>the naltrexone</i> <i>arm</i>	NR	Fair	NIDA
Schwartz, 2007 ⁸⁵ Schwartz, 2006 ⁶ Schwartz, 2009 ⁸⁶ Heroin	Single center U.S.	4 months treatment (follow-up up to 24 months)	A. Methadone, mean dose 78.4 mg/day, supervised dosing, for up to 120 days (n=199) B. Waitlist (n=120)	least 1 year) adults (DSM-IV) seeking treatment, on wait-list for	Race/ethnicity: white: 7% vs.	N=319 Loss to followup at 6 months: 6% (11/199) vs. 11% (13/120)	NR	Good	NIDA

Abbreviations: DSM-IV = Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders Fourth Edition; NIDA = National Institute on Drug Abuse; NR = not reported; SD = standard deviation; U.S. = United States.

Author, year Type of opioid used	comparisons	Recruitment setting	Treatment setting	practitioners?			Mentions intervention materials?
Heroin	months + minimal counseling, followed by 6 week taper (n=35) B. Methadone, up to 90 mg/day for 6 months + standard counseling, followed by 6 week taper (n=37) C. Usual care with 21-day methadone detoxification (n=39) Methadone administered with supervised dosing	Outpatient detoxification program (recent inpatient discharge)	Outpatient treatment center	NR		A: Not described B: Only on emergency basis or to enforce program rules (~once a month for no more than 15 minutes) C: Twice per month; participants could earn 2 take- home doses per week for negative weekly urine drug tests and alcohol breathalyzer test. Additional onsite counseling if needed.	No
Kakko, 2003 ⁸¹ Heroin	A. Buprenorphine 16 mg sublingual (n=20) B. Buprenorphine taper (6 days) followed by placebo (n=20)	Inpatient addiction treatment unit		Group counseling led by nurse practitioners trained in Marlatt's relapse prevention manual; training otherwise NR	individual	Group: Weekly for 10 sessions, followed by 2 booster sessions Individual: Weekly for 45 minutes, with contingency management	No
Krook, 2002 ⁸² Heroin		Opioid treatment program	Addiction treatment center	Not Applicable	No counseling or rehabilitation services	No counseling or rehabilitation services	No
Ling, 2010 ⁸³ Heroin: 63% Prescription pain medication: 37%	A. Buprenorphine implant, 4 implants of 80 mg each (n=108) B. Placebo implant (n=55)	Outpatient addiction treatment centers	Outpatient addiction treatment clinics	Not required (all counselors were familiar with the treatment model)	Individual	Twice weekly for 12 weeks then weekly for 6 weeks	No
Rosenthal, 2013 ⁸⁴ Heroin: 62% Prescription pain medication: 37%		Addiction treatment centers	Addiction treatment centers			Counseling: Twice weekly weeks 1-12, then weekly for 12 weeks	No

Appendix B6. Methadone and Buprenorphine Trials – Intervention Characteristics

Author, year Type of opioid used		Recruitment setting	Treatment setting		Mode of delivery	Intensity of intervention	Mentions intervention materials?
Schottenfeld, 2008 ⁶⁹	A. Buprenorphine sublingual 8 mg/day week 1, titrated to 16-24 mg/day Monday, Wednesday and Friday weeks	Community	Outpatient specialty clinic (after inpatient		Counseling: group and individual	Counseling: weekly 45 minute sessions	Counseling: manual guided
Heroin	 2-24. Further dose titration to 24-36 mg/day was allowed in patients reporting craving, withdrawal or persistent heroin use (n=44) B. Placebo (n=39)Manual-guided weekly individual counseling 45 minutes/session and group therapy aimed at relapse prevention, coping skills training, and HIV risk reduction delivered to all groups 		detoxification)	delivering individual therapy	therapy		therapy; proprietary information NR
Schwartz, 2007 ⁸⁵ Schwartz, 2006 ⁶ Schwartz, 2009 ⁸⁶	A. Methadone, mean dose 78.4 mg/day, supervised dosing, for up to 120 days (n=199) B. Waitlist (n=120)	Opioid treatment program	Outpatient addiction treatment center	NR	No counseling or rehabilitation services	No counseling or rehabilitation services	No
Heroin							

Abbreviation: NR = not reported.

	Intervention described and comparisons	Retention in care		Clinical health outcomes	Social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Heroin	(n=35) B. Methadone, up to 90 mg/day for 6 months + standard counseling, followed by 6 week taper (n=37) C. Usual care with 21- day methadone detoxification (n=39) Methadone administered with supervised dosing	RR 1.30 (95% CI 0.82 to 2.06) for A or B vs. C Retention, mean duration (days): 176 vs. 158 vs. NR	6 months (end of treatment) Proportion of positive urine tests: 65.4% vs. 62.5% vs. 77.8% Self-reported heroin use, mean days: 5.9 (SD 7.7) vs. 4.2 (SD 6.7) vs. 18.4 (SD 12.8); p=0.0003	Beck Depression Index: No difference, data NR	NR	NR
Kakko, 2003 ⁸¹ Heroin	sublingual (n=20) B. Buprenorphine taper (6 days) followed by placebo (n=20)		≥2 positive urine samples within 3 months: 20% (4/20) vs. 100% (20/20); RR 0.20 (95% CI 0.08 to 0.48)	A vs. B Mortality: 0% (0/20) vs. 20% (4/20); p=0.015; RR 0.11 (95% CI 0.006 to 1.94)	NR	NR

Appendix B7. Methadone and Buprenorphine Trials – Results

Author, year Fype of opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons	Retention in care	Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	Social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Krook, 2002 ⁸²	A. Buprenorphine 16 mg		A vs. B Solf reported barain use, mean	A vs. B Wellbeing mean change from	NR	Serious adverse
Heroin	on Saturday and no dose on Sunday), supervised dosing (n=55) B. Placebo (n=51)	2% (1/51), RR 14.84 (95%	Self-reported heroin use, mean change from baseline (0-10 VAS): -3.21 (95% CI -4.29 to - 2.13) vs. 0.52 (95% CI -0.64 to 1.68); p<0.001 Self-reported other drug use, mean change from baseline (0- 10 VAS): -0.66 (95% CI -1.77 to 0.44) vs. 1.11 (95% CI 0.18 to 2.05); p<0.01	Wellbeing, mean change from baseline (0-10 VAS): -2.00 (95% CI -2.95 to -1.04) vs 0.43 (95% CI -1.32 to 0.45); p<0.001 Life satisfaction, mean change from baseline (Temporal Satisfaction with Life Scale, 0 to 10): -0.65 (95% CI -1.00 to -0.31) vs 0.24 (95% CI -0.57 to 0.09); p<0.05 Anxiety and depression, mean change from baseline (Symptom Checklist-5): -0.30 (95% CI -0.52 to -0.08) vs 0.17 (95% CI -0.40 to 0.07); p>0.05		events: None Diaphoresis: 23.6% (13/55) vs. 29.4% (15/51); RR 0.80 (95% CI 0.42 to 1.52) Edema: 5.5% (3/55) vs. 3.9% (2/51); RR 1.39 (95% CI 0.24 to 8.00) Nausea: 16.4% (9/55) vs. 17.6% (9/51); RR 0.93 (95% CI 0.40 to 2.15) Exanthema: 1.8% (1/55) vs. 11.8% (6/51);
				(95% CI -0.52 to -0.08) vs 0.17 (95% CI -0.40 to 0.07);		(9 2. E 1.

Author, year Type of opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons	Retention in care	Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	Social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Ling, 2010 ⁸³ Heroin: 63% Prescription pain medication: 37%	A. Buprenorphine implant, 4 implants of 80 mg each (n=108) B. Placebo implant (n=55)	A vs. B Retention at 24 weeks: 66% (71/108) vs. 31% (17/55), RR 2.13 (95% CI 1.40 to 3.23)	A vs. B Treatment failure (required fifth implant and subsequently requiring 3 or more days per week of supplemental sublingual buprenorphine for 2 consecutive weeks or 8 or more days: 0% (0/108) vs. 30.9% (17/55); RR 0.01 (95% CI 0.001 to 0.24) Mean proportion of negative urine tests (72 samples per patient): 36.6% (95% CI 30.5% to 42.6%) vs. 22.4% (15.3% vs. 29.5%); p=0.01 Clinical Opiate Withdrawal Scale: 2.3 vs. 3.4; p<0.001 Subjective Opiate Withdrawal Scale: 4.1 vs. 6.5; p=0.004 VAS-opioid craving: 9.9 vs. 15.8; p<0.001	Cl 1.09 to 2.60) Clinical Global Impressions- improvement, very much or much improved: 80.2% (73/91) vs. 51.1% (24/47); RR 1.57 (95% Cl 1.17 to 2.12)		A vs. B Serious adverse events: 1.9% (2/108) vs. 7.3% (5/55); RR 0.20 (95% CI 0.04 to 1.02) Any implant site adverse event: 56.5% (61/108) vs. 52.7% (29/55); RR 1.07 (95% CI 0.79 to 1.45) Constipation: 13.9% (15/108) vs. 5.5% (3/55); RR 2.55 (95% CI 0.77 to 8.42) Diarrhea: 5.6% (6/108) vs. 12.7% (7/55); RR 0.44 (95% CI 0.15 to 1.24) Nausea: 13.9% (15/108) vs. 12.7% (7/55); RR 1.09 (95% CI 0.47 to 2.52) Anxiety: 10.2% (11/108) vs. 9.1% (5/55); RR 1.12 (95% CI 0.41 to 3.06) Insomnia: 21.3% (23/108) vs. 21.8% (12/55); RR

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Rosenthal,		A vs. B vs. C	A vs. B vs. C	Clinical Global Impressions-	NR	A vs. B vs. C
2013 ⁸⁴	implant, 4 implants of 80	Completed trial: 64%	>50% of urines negative for	patient, very much or much		Any adverse
	mg each (n=114)	(73/114) vs. 64% (76/119)	opioids: 72.8% (83/114) vs. NR	improved, week 24: 71.9%		event: 67.5%
Heroin: 62%	B: Open-label	vs. 26% (14/54), RR 2.5	vs. 94.4% (51/54), RR 0.77 (95%			(77/114) vs.
Prescription		(95% CI 1.6 to 3.9) for A	CI 0.68 to 0.88) for A vs. C	vs. 59.3% (32/54); RR 1.22		71.4% (85/119)
pain	sublingual 12-16 mg/day,	or B vs. C	Proportion of urine tests positive,	(95% CI 0.96 to 1.54)		vs. 61.1%
medication:	supervised dosing		weeks 1-24: 64.0% vs. 64.9% vs.			(33/54); RR
37%	(n=119)		85.6%; p<0.0001 for A vs. C			1.14 (95% CI
	C. Placebo implant		Proportion of urine tests positive,			0.90 to 1.43)
	(n=54)		weeks 17-24: 71.1% vs. 70.4%			Serious adverse
	. ,		vs. 92.8%; p<0.0001 for A vs. C			event: 5.3%
			Clinical Opiate Withdrawal Scale,			(6/114) vs. 5.9%
			weeks 1-24: 2.49 vs. 1.71 vs.			(7/119) vs. 5.6%
			4.52, p=0.0005 for A vs. B and			(3/54); RR 1.00
			p<0.0001			(95% CI 0.30 to
			Subjective Opiate Withdrawal			3.40)
			Scale, weeks 1-24: 5.30 vs. 8.42			Severe adverse
			vs. 2.83; A vs. B, p<0.0001; A vs.			events: 7.9%
			C, p=0.0006			(9/114) vs.
			VAS-craving, weeks 1-24: 10.2			11.8% (14/119)
			vs. 21.8 vs. 7.1; A vs. C,			vs. 5.6% (3/54);
			p<0.0001; A vs. C, p=0.054			RR 1.78 (95%
			p<0.0001, A vs. C, p=0.054			CI 0.55 to 5.70)
						Depression:
						8.8% (10/114)
						vs. 9.2%
						(11/119) vs.
						7.4% (4/54); RR
						1.22 (95% Cl
						0.44 to 3.40)
						Insomnia: 7.9%
						(9/114) vs.
						13.4% (16/119)
						vs. 14.8%
						(8/54); RR 0.72
						(95% CI 0.35 to
						1.52)
						Nausea: 6.1%
						(7/114) vs. 6.7%
						(8/119) vs. 1.9%
						(1/54); RR 3.48
						(95% CI 0.47 to
						25.75)
						Hyperhidrosis:
						2.6% (3/114) vs.

Appendix B7. Methadone and Buprenorphine Trials – Results

Author, year Type of opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons	Retention in care	Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	•	Adverse events
						1.7% (2/119) vs. 5.6% (3/54); RR 0.39 (95% CI 0.10 to 1.57) Anxiety: 1.8% (2/114) vs. 5.9% (7/119) vs. 5.6% (3/54); RR 0.70 (95% CI 0.19 to 2.48) Diarrhea: 1.8% (2/114) vs. 1.7% (2/119) vs. 5.6% (3/54); RR 0.31 (95% CI 0.07 to 1.34)

Author, year Type of opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons	Retention in care	Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	Social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Schottenfeld, 2008 ⁶⁹ Heroin		CI 1.31 to 7.79) Days in treatment (mean): 117 (95% CI 102 to 132) vs. 70 (95% CI 54 to 87); p=0.0009	A vs. B Relapse (3 consecutive positive urine tests or opiate positive test followed by two consecutive positive or missing tests): 75% (33/44) vs. 92% (36/39); RR 0.81 (95% CI 0.67 to 0.99) Abstinent at study completion: 11% (5/44) vs. 3%(1/39); RR 4.43 (95% CI 0.54 to 36) Maximum consecutive days abstinent: 59 (95% CI 43 to 76) vs. 24 (95% CI 13 to 35); p<0.01 Days in treatment without heroin relapse: 79 (95% CI 61 to 98) vs. 39 (95% CI 25 to 53); p=0.007 HIV risk behavior, AIDS Risk Inventory mean score, 6 months: 53.7 (95% CI 41.7 vs. 53.0) vs. 43.6 (95% CI 34.9 vs. 52.4); p=0.14		NR	A vs. B Withdrawals due to adverse events: 2.3% (1/44) vs. 2.6% (1/39); RR 0.89 (95% CI 0.06 to 13.7) Serious adverse events (hospitalization) 7% (3/44) vs. 3% (1/39); RR 2.66 (95% CI 0.29 to 24.5) Severe constipation: 51% (22/43) vs. 22% (8/36); RR 2.30 (95% CI 1.17 to 4.53) Drowsiness: 47% (20/43) vs. 28% (10/36); RR 1.67 (95% CI 0.90 to 3.10) Urinary hesitancy: 54% (23/43) vs. 22% (8/36); RR 2.41 (95% CI 1.23 to 4.71) Sweating: 33% (14/43) vs. 14% (5/36); RR 2.34 (95% CI 0.93 to 5.88)

Author, year Type of opioid used	Intervention described and comparisons	Retention in care	Drug use and behavior	Clinical health outcomes	J	Adverse events
Schwartz,			-	NR	-	NR
2007 ⁸⁵	0,00	-	Opioid-positive drug test, 4		6 months	
Schwartz,	supervised dosing, for up		months: 57% (99/175) vs. 79%		Days of illegal	
2006 ⁶	to 120 days (n=199)	months: 76% (151/199)	(80/101), RR 0.71 (95% CI 0.61		activity in past 30	
Schwartz,	B. Waitlist (n=120)	vs. 21% (25/120), RR 3.64	to 0.84)		days: 1.7 vs. 6.9;	
2009 ⁸⁶		(95% CI 2.55 to 5.21)	Cocaine-positive drug test, 4		p<0.001 for overall	
			months: 52% (79/153) vs. 59%		time trend	
Heroin			(60/101), RR 0.87 (95% CI 0.70		Arrests, at 6	
			to 1.09)		months: 16%	
			Days of heroin use, last 30 days:		(31/198) vs. 20%	
			4.2 (SD 8.6) vs. 26.4 (SD 8.8);		(24/119); RR 0.78	
			p<0.001 for overall time trend		(95% CI 0.48 to	
			Days of cocaine use, last 30		1.26)	
			days: 2.4 (SD 5.5) vs. 5.8 (SD		,	
			8.8); p=0.001 for overall time			
			trend			

Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; NR = not reported; RR = risk ratio; SD = standard deviation; VAS = Visual Analog Scale.

	Valid random assignment/ random sequence generation methods	Allocation concealment	Balance in baseline characteristics	Fidelity to intervention protocol	Low risk of contamination between groups	Participants analyzed as originally allocated	No, or minimal, post-randomization exclusions	Outcome data reasonably complete and comparable between groups
Gruber, 2008 ⁸⁰	Unclear; "generated by a statistician"	Yes; sealed envelopes	No; not age or depressive symptoms	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No; final urinalysis data available for half of each group or less
Kakko, 2003 ⁸¹	Yes; random numbers table	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Krook, 2002 ⁸²	Unclear	Yes; sealed envelopes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ling, 2010 ⁸³	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Rosenthal, 2013 ⁸⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No; 14 excluded after randomization but before receiving medication	Yes
Schottenfeld, 2008 ⁶⁹	Yes; computer	Yes; central	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Schwartz, 2007 ⁸⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
See also: Schwartz, 2006 ⁶ ; Schwartz, 2009 ⁸⁶								

	Time point and follow-up	similar across groups	bias results	outcome assessors	Blinding of clinicians/ care provider	Blinding of patients	procedures and instruments across	No evidence of biased use of inferential	analyses selectively reported	Quality Rating
,		Unclear	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
200880	49% vs. 51% vs. 39%									
Kakko, 2003 ⁸¹	12 months: 94% vs. 0%	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Krook, 2002 ⁸²	3 months: 93% (99/106)	Yes	Unclear	Yes; mostly self-report	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
0,	6 months: 91% vs. 93%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes; placebo implants	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Rosenthal, 2013 ⁸⁴	6 months: 92% vs. 94% vs. 86%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Schottenfeld, 2008 ⁶⁹	6 months: 41% (18/44) vs. 13% (5/39); RR 3.19 (95% Cl 1.31 to 7.79)	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Schwartz, 2007 ⁸⁵	4 months: 94.7%	Yes	Yes	Unclear	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
See also: Schwartz, 2006 ⁶ ; Schwartz, 2009 ⁸⁶										

Abbreviations: CI = confidence interval; RR = relative risk.

Author,	Number of	:	Intervention described			Ν			
vear	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Qualitv	Funding
Study	Country		Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence		source
Babor,	3 sites	4 months (for all	A. Multi-component therapy:			N=450	A vs. B vs.	Good	SAMHSA,
2004 ²⁹	U.S.	treatment	motivational enhancement +	DSM-IV diagnosis of	Mean age 36 vs. 35 vs. 37 years	Loss to	С		Center for
		groups)	CBT + case management	marijuana	% female: 29% vs. 36% vs. 29%	followup:	Proportion		Substance
			(n=156)	dependence;	Race/ethnicity: 67% vs. 65% vs.	7.1%	attending		Abuse
			B. Motivational	marijuana use at least	67% white; 16% vs. 21% vs. 16%	(32/450)	all allocated		Treatment
			enhancement (n=146)	40/90 days prior to	Hispanic; 15% vs. 13% vs. 8%		sessions:		
			C. Control: delayed	study entry	black; 2% vs. 1% vs. 0% other		47.3%		
			treatment (n=148)		Characteristics NR by intervention		(74/156) vs.		
					group:		71.9%		
					Duration of regular marijuana use:		(105/146)		
					17.9 years		vs. NA		
					Duration of self-defined problem				
					marijuana use: 9.2 years				
					Dependence symptoms (DSM-IV, 0				
					to 7): 5.62 (SD 1.17) vs. 5.70 (SD				
					1.20) vs. 5.56 (SD 1.33)				
					Abuse symptoms (DSM-IV, 0 to 4):				
					2.06 (SD 0.77) vs. 2.10 (SD 0.87)				
					vs. 2.11 (SD 0.84)				
					Marijuana problems (Marijuana				
					Problem Scale, 0 to 19): 9.47 (SD				
					3.51) vs. 10.18 (SD 3.47) vs. 9.07				
					(SD 3.53)				
l					Days of marijuana use in 90 days				
					prior to study entry: 82 days				
					Number of marijuana use				
1					episodes/day: 3.7				
					Proportion with prior treatment for				
					drug abuse: 18%				
					Proportion of days marijuana used:				
1					87.56% (SD 17.24) vs. 86.92% (SD				
					17.15) vs. 89.88 (SD 14.11)				

Author, year		Duration of	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B)			N Loss to			Funding
Study		followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	-	source
Baker, 2001 ⁸⁷ Baker, 2001 ⁸⁸	Unclear Australia	6 months	A. 4-session CBT: MI (Session 1) + cognitive behavioral coping strategies + relapse prevention (Sessions 2-4) + self-help booklet (n=16) B. 2-session CBT: same as Session 1 and 2 + self-help booklet (n=16) C. Control: self-help booklet only (n=32)	Regular amphetamine users residing in Newcastle New South Wales, Australia	Mean age 33 vs. 31 years33% vs.	19% (12/64)	A vs. B vs. C Proportion	Fair	University of Newcastle
Baker, 2005 ⁸⁹	Unclear Australia	6 months	A. 4-session CBT: MI (Session 1) + cognitive behavioral coping strategies + relapse prevention (Sessions 2-4; n=66) B. 2-session CBT: same as Session 1 and 2 (n=74) C. Control (n=74)	Regular amphetamine users, defined as OTI weekly use score ≥0.14 Excluded: suicidality or acute psychosis; acquired cognitive impairment; current enrolment or treatment for amphetamine use	Mean age 30 vs. 30 years 39% vs. 35% female Race/ethnicity NR Duration of regular amphetamine use: 9.24 (SD 6.87) vs. 8.49 (SD 7.07) years Mean OTI score: 1.48 (SD 1.67) vs.	N=214 Loss to followup: 29% (61/214)	A vs. B vs. C Proportion completing ≥75% of sessions: 68.2% (45/66) vs. 75.7% (56/74) vs. NA	Fair	Australian Commonwe alth Department of Health and Ageing

Author, year Study		Duration of followup	_		Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence		Funding source
Bernstein, 2005 ⁴	Multi- center U.S.	6 months	motivational interview delivered by a peer, a substance abuse outreach worker in recovery. (n=490) B. Minimal: Participants		Mean age 38 vs. 38 years 31% vs. 28% female 62% vs. 63% black; 14% vs. 15% white; 24% vs. 22% Hispanic; 0.7% vs. 0.5% other Education: 37% vs. 38% less than high school Working: 43% vs. 49% DAST-10 score: 8.0 (SD 1.7) vs. 7.9 (SD 1.8) Readiness to change score: 7.0 (SD 2.5) vs. 7.0 (SD 2.6) ≥1 prior admission for detox or substance abuse treatment: 44% vs. 49% ASI, drug subscale score: mean 0.3 (SD 0.1) vs. 0.2 (SD 0.1) ASI, medical subscale score: mean 0.6 (SD 0.3) vs. 0.5 (SD 0.4)	33.8%	31% could be reached for phone booster session	Fair	NIDA
Bernstein, 2009 ⁴⁴	Single center U.S.	12 months	on a MI approach (n=47)	21 years using cannabis recruited during pediatric emergency	Mean age NR; ≤17 years: 29% vs. 30%; ≥18 years: 71% vs. 70% % female: 66.2 Race/ethnicity: black 84% vs. 78%; Hispanic 10% vs. 16%; white 4% vs. 7%; other 2% vs. 0% Cannabis use, days per month, mean (SD): 19.0 (10.9) vs. 15.3 (10.1) Cannabis abstinence, days per month, mean: 0 vs. 0 Drove after cannabis use, n (%): 8	randomized 210; the non- assessed control group was not included in this report) Loss to followup: 26.6%	reported receiving emails about feedback, 75.2% reported	Fair	NIH/NIDA supplement to The Youth Alcohol Prevention Center

Author,	Number of	f	Intervention described			Ν			
year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Blow, 2017 ⁴⁵	Single center U.S.	52 weeks	A. Computerized brief motivational interview, targeting drug and alcohol use (n=257); A1 with (n=130) or A2 without	Age 18-60 years presenting to the emergency department with reported drug use in the past 3 months	A vs. B vs. C Age: 31 vs. 32 vs. 31 years Gender: 54% vs. 55% vs. 57% female	N=780 12 month Loss to followup: 12% (32/257) vs.	NR	Good	NIDA

Author,	Number of	f	Intervention described			N			
year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Bogen-	6 centers	12 months	A. Brief intervention based	Adults aged ≥18 years	Mean age 36 vs. 36 years	N=854 (Full	421 (99%)	Fair	NIDA
schutz	U.S.		on MI principles + telephone	using all drugs	30% vs. 33% female	study	participants		
2014 ⁴⁶			booster sessions. In addition		Race/ethnicity: 2% vs. 2% American	randomized	received		
Bogen-			to an informational pamphlet			N=1285.	the initial		
schutz				department visit using	Asian; 34% vs. 36% black; 48% vs.	Minimal	brief		
2011 ¹¹⁴			(n=427)		49% white; 5% vs. 4% other; 5% vs.		intervention		
			B. Minimal: informational	least 1 day of drug use	5% multiracial; 5% vs. 2% other/did	only group	, 243 (57%)		
SMART-			pamphlet about drug use	in past 30 days and	not answer	was not	received		
ED			and misuse, its potential	DAST-10 score ≥ 3	Education: 31% vs. 30% less than	included in	the first		
			consequences, and	(moderate-to-severe		this report	booster		
			treatment options and	problems related to		given no	call, and		
			optional referral to addiction	drug use)		baseline	166 (39%)		
			treatment, consisting of a		AUDIT-C score: 5.5 (SD 3.8) vs. 5.5		received		
			recommendation to seek			for outcome	the second		
			treatment and a		Drug use days in past 30 days: 15.7		booster		
			standardized list of available		(SD 11.5) vs. 17.4 (SD 11.6)	Loss to	call. 250		
			options (n=427)			followup:	(58.5%) of		
					cannabis; 26% vs. 27% cocaine;	19.7%	participants		
					18% vs. 19% street opioids; 5% vs.		were		
					5% prescription opioids; 4% vs. 4%		referred to		
					methamphetamine; 3% vs. 2% other		addiction		
					Drug use days for the most		treatment		
					frequently used drug, mean (SD):				
					14.8 (11.2) vs. 16.3 (11.4)				
					Drug use days, mean (SD): 16.4				
					(11.0) vs. 18.5 (10.9)				
					Drug use abstinence (n (%)) Based				
					on hair sample (units = ng/10 mg)				
					for the most frequency used drug:				
					20 (5.7) vs. 25 (7.4)				
					Drug use abstinence (n (%)) Based				
					on hair sample (units = ng/10 mg): 9				
					(2.4) vs. 9 (2.6)				

Author, year Study	Number of centers Country	Duration of followup	-	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics		Adherence		Funding source
Copeland, 2001a ³⁰ Copeland, 2001b ⁹¹	Single center Australia	median followup 8 months	motivational interview + standard relapse prevention (n=78) B. 1CBT: single session of 6CBT + self-help booklet (n=82) C. Delayed treatment control (n=69)	cannabis use. Excluded: more than weekly use of other drugs, nicotine or alcohol in the past 6 months; previous treatment for cannabis dependence in the past 3 months; current treatment for any other substance use	NR by intervention group Mean age 32 years 31% female 3% Aboriginal; other race/ethnicity NR Age of first cannabis use: 15 (range 7-45) Duration of weekly cannabis use: 13.9 years (SD 7.0; range 1-34) Proportion meeting DSM-IV cannabis dependence diagnosis: 96.4% SDS score: 9.2 (SD 3.2) vs. 9.8 (SD 2.9) vs. 9.3 (SD 2.6) OTI score: 2.1 (SD 0.8) vs. 2.0 (SD 0.8) vs. 2.2 (SD 0.9)	26% (59/229)	A vs. B vs. C Proportion completing ≥75% of sessions: 59% (46/78) vs. 87.8% (72/82) vs. NA	Fair	Australian Common- wealth Department of Health and Family Services
D'Amico, 2018 ⁴³	4 clinics U.S.		motivational interview delivered in primary care	Adolescents ages 12- 18 years, screened as at-risk on NIAAA Screening Guide;	A vs. B Mean age: 16 vs. 16 years Female: 59.6% vs. 55.4% Race/ethnicity: 12.4% vs. 10.6%	vs. B: 20% (31/153) vs. 20% (27/141)	A. 7.2% (11/153) did not receive the intervention	Fair	NIAAA grant

Author,	Number of		Intervention described			Ν			
year		Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to			Funding
Study	-	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria		followup	Adherence		source
de Dios,		3 months	A. MI + mindfulness	3	A vs. B	N=34		Fair	NIDA
2012 ⁹²	U.S.		meditation (n=22)	participants who	Mean age 23 vs. 24 years	Loss to	Proportion		
			B. Control: assessment only			followup:	with 1 or		
			(n=12)			27% (9/34)	more		
				previous month; desire			followup		
				to quit or reduce	Days of marijuana use past month:		visits:		
				marijuana use;	17.05 (SD 9.96) vs. 18.83 (SD 8.09)		77.3%		
				endorsed the following	Psychiatric Diagnostic Screening		(17/22) vs.		
				item from the	Questionnaire general anxiety		83.3%		
					disorder score: 5.95 (SD 2.9) vs.		(10/12);		
				Expectancies	4.92 (SD 3.12)		p=0.68		
				Questionnaire: "In the					
				past month, have you					
				used marijuana as a					
				way to relax, relieve					
				anxiety or calm					
				down?"					
				Excluded: severe					
				psychiatric disorder;					
				using alcohol or other					
				substances at NIAAA					
				criteria for Hazardous					
1				Use; use of any					
l				cocaine, heroin,					
1				methamphetamines or					
i i				other drugs in the past					
1				month					

Author,	Number of		Intervention described			N		0	F ace allow as
year Study			and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	Loss to followup	Adherence		Funding source
de Gee, 2014 ⁹³	-	3 months	aimed at changing adolescents' cannabis use by increasing their awareness of the possible negative consequences of cannabis use and by helping them to make informed choices about their own use (n=58) B. Control: information session (n=61)	weekly cannabis use and no intention to seek help for cannabis use Excluded: significant cognitive impairment; treatment for drug or	A vs. B Mean age 18 vs. 18 years 26% vs. 28% female Race NR (79% vs. 77% Dutch; 14% vs. 10% Western, non-Dutch; 7% vs. 11% non-Western) Mean SDS score: 3.2 (SD 2.5) vs. 3.2 (SD 2.8) Mean CUPIT Impaired Control score: 29.0 (SD 8.3) vs. 28.9 (SD 8.1) Mean CUPIT Problems score: 6.2 (SD 4.3) vs. 5.7 (SD 3.7) Mean YSR Internalizing Problems score: 15.5 (SD 11.5) vs. 10.7 (SD 9.0); p<0.001 Mean YSR Externalizing Problems score: 17.7 (SD 10.0) vs. 17.3 (SD 8.8) Mean age of cannabis use onset: 14 vs. 14 years Days of cannabis use/week: 4.6 vs. 4.3	N=119 Loss to followup:		Good	The Netherlands Organi- sation for Health Research and Developme nt

Author,	Number of	f	Intervention described			Ν			
year Study	centers Country	Duration of followup	and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	Loss to followup	Adherence		Funding source
Dembo, 2016 ⁹⁴	In home U.S	18 months	CBT rational-emotive therapy, and problem- solving therapy B. Brief, 2- session youth and separate 1-session parent session C. Standard truancy services plus a referral service overlay of 3 visits by a project staff member; no counseling was offered	some indication of alcohol or other drug use, as determined, for example, by a screening instrument (Person Experience Screening Questionnaire), or as reported by a social worker, lived within a 25 mile radius of the	Mean age: 14.8 years (1.3 years SD) Female: 37% Race/ethnicity: 37.3% white, 28.7% Hispanic, 25.7% black, 7,0% other (mixed race), 1.0% Asian, 0.3% Native American Legal problem resulting in jail time or detention 26.4% Unemployment of parent: 50.3% Divorce of parents: 38.7% Death of a loved one: 57.7% Serious illness: 31.0% Victim of a violent crime: 17.3% Eviction from house or apartment: 17.0% Accidental injury requiring hospitalization: 12.0% Other stressful/traumatic event: 48.8%	N=300 Loss to followup on marijuana use: 28% (85/300)	NR	Fair	NIDA

Author,	Number of		Intervention described			N			L
year		Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)		Detient above stariation	Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study		followup		Inclusion criteria		followup	Adherence		source
Dupont,		6 months	A. MOTI-4(n=71)	Dutch youth aged 14	Mean age: 17.9 vs. 18.2 years	N=131	NR	Fair	Potentially
2016 ⁹⁵	Netherland		B. Usual care, 1 hour	to 24 years who had	Female: 12.7% vs. 20.0%	Loss to			Mondriaan
	s		session in which the effects	used cannabis in the	Living with at least 1 parent: 74.6%	followup:			Institute
			of cannabis on the body were discussed, including a	previous month and	vs. 61.7% Mean cannabis use in Euros, per	17% vs.			
				of the below criteria: a		27% (all included in			
			computerized animation,						
			followed by a quiz and receipt of information leaflet	clear relationship	Cannabis use sessions per week:	analysis)			
			(n=60)	and problems at	Average number of cigarettes per				
			(1=80)	school, work or in	day: 9.6 vs. 9.2				
				relationships, as	Alcohol, glasses per week: 8.9 vs.				
				reported by teachers,	14.6, p<0.05				
				parents, or others;	Reported use of other drugs: 67.2%				
				experiencing physical	vs. 57.1%				
				or mental health	0.01.170				
				problems as a					
				possible result of					
			I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I	cannabis use, as					
				reported by parents,					
				teachers, or others;					
				high risk of developing					
				problematic use					
				(homelessness					
				marginalization,					
				truancy, having					
				addicted parents,					
				attending special					
				education); age-					
				inappropriate					
				experimentation					
				(weekly use under age					
				16)					
				Youth referred by the					
				parents, agencies for					
				youth care and drop					
				out, prevention field					
				workers, and by					
u				student counselors					<u> </u>

Author,	Number of		Intervention described			Ν			
		Duration of followup	and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	Loss to followup	Adherence		Funding source
Fischer,	Unclear Canada	12 months	A. Brief intervention: oral or written intervention consisting of short, fact- based and nonjudgmental information on cannabis- related health risks (n=72) B. Control: general health information delivered in a	Marijuana-using adults who represented who responded to advertisements and were screened for participation Excluded: <15 days of marijuana use out of the last 30 days, heavy alcohol or other drug use, involved in	A vs. B Mean age 20 vs. 21 years 35% vs. 31% female 74% white; 10% Middle Eastern/Arabic; 8% Asian; 8% other race/ethnicity (NR by intervention group) Days of cannabis use in last 30 days: 24.0 (SD 5.81) vs. 23.9 (SD	N=134 Loss to followup: 46%	NA	Fair	Canadian Institutes of Health Research
,	Unclear Australia	12 weeks	(n=81)	Participants >16 years old who used cannabis within the past month	Age: 36 vs. 36 years Gender: 38% vs. 38% female Race: NR Age at first cannabis use: 16 vs. 16 years SDS: 10.4 (SD 3.0) vs. 9.7 (SD 3.6) Cannabis Problems Questionnaire: 28-day cannabis use frequency (days): 22.6 (SD 6.7) vs. 22.3 (SD	(19/68)* Inconsistent y reported numbers	1.2)	Fair	NR

Author,	Number of	:	Intervention described			Ν			
year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to			Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Gelberg,	5 centers	3 months	A. Brief intervention +	Adults aged ≥18 years		N=334	All 171	Fair	NIDA
2015 ⁴⁷	U.S.			using all drugs	Mean age: 42 vs. 41 years	Loss to	intervention		
Bau-			sessions: clinicians followed	recruited during a	34% vs. 40% female	followup:	participants		
meister,				primary care visit	······································	21.0%	received		
2014 ¹¹³			covering drug addiction as a	using ASSIST	25% vs. 23% black; 33% vs. 34%		clinician		
			chronic brain disease, the	screening tool.	Hispanic; 5% vs. 6% other		brief		
Project			need to quit or reduce using		Education: 83% vs. 84% ≥12 years		advice, and		
QUIT			drugs to prevent this	(Moderate risk for drug	ASSIST score (for primary drug):		134 (78%)		
			disease, the physical and	use).	14.6 vs. 14.3		had at least		
			mental consequences of		Duration of drug use, years (for		1 telephone		
			drug use, and the potential		primary drug): 22 vs. 20 years		session (93		
			accelerated progression		Prevalence of drug use (for primary		[54%] 2		
			towards severe substance		drug): 53% vs. 50% cannabis; 24%		sessions,		
			use disorders caused by		vs. 16% cocaine/crack; 12% vs.		41 [24%] 1		
			poly-substance use. (n=129)		13% amphetamines; 6% vs. 11%		session)		
			B. Attention control: video		sedatives; 5% vs. 9% opiates: 6.6%;				
			doctor and information		0% vs. 1% other				
			booklet on cancer		Drug use days for the most				
			screening. At study exit,		frequently used drug, mean (SD):				
			participants were given all		10.6 (NR) vs. 10.7 (NR)				
			intervention materials.		QOL, mental health component (As				
			(n=132)		measured by SF-12), mean (SD):				
					42.69 (12.57) vs. 42.94 (12.28)				
					QOL, physical health component				
					(As measured by SF-12), mean				
					(SD): 42.97 (12.11) vs. 43.1 (12.01)				

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Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
	5 centers U.S.	followup 3 months	Ns A. Brief intervention + telephone coaching sessions. Replication of Gelberg, 2015 ⁴⁷ intervention with minor modifications. (n=23)	Inclusion criteria Adults aged ≥18 years using all drugs recruited during a primary care visit using ASSIST screening tool. ASSIST score 4 to 26 (Moderate risk for drug use)	A vs. B Mean age: 30 vs. 32 years 41% vs. 42% female 97% vs. 91% Hispanic Education: 78% vs. 88% ≥12 years U.S. born: 87.5% ASSIST score (for primary drug):	N=65 Loss to followup: 21.5%		rating Fair	-
					(NR) Any drug use based on urine				
					samples: 21 (100) vs. 26 (100)				

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Gryczyn-	Single	3 months	A. Brief intervention:	Adults aged ≥18 years		N=80	NR	Fair	NIDA
ki, 2016 ⁴⁹	center		Computerized brief	using all drugs	Mean age 34.3 vs. 36 years	Loss to			
	U.S.		intervention consisting of a	recruited at a	62.5% vs. 42.5% female	followup:			
			short, single-session	· · · · · ·	82.5% vs. 90.0% white	11.2%			
			interactive program led by		37.5% vs. 47.5% Hispanic				
			5	screening tool.	ASSIST, total score, mean (SD):				
			Participants' choice was		26.4 (9.5) vs. 34.2 (13.8) p=0.04				
					Marijuana, mean (SD): 9.6 (5.5) vs.				
			participants were free to	use)	11.2 (5.7)				
			choose which substances to		Cocaine, mean (SD): 0.4 (1.3) vs.				
			focus on (up to 2) and what		0.8 (2.3)				
			kinds of behavioral changes		Amphetamines, mean (SD): 1.2				
			they were willing to make.		(3.4) vs. 1.8 (3.8)				
			The computer brief		Opioids, mean (SD): 1.8 (4.0) vs.				
			intervention included		4.0 (7.5)				
			questions about substance		Moderate risk (ASSIST score 4-26),				
			use problems, gender-		% (n):				
			specific normative feedback		Cannabis: 87.5 (35) vs. 92.5 (37)				
			messaging, rating		Cocaine: 2.5 (1) vs. 7.5 (3)				
			importance to change, and		Amphetamines: 12.5 (5) vs. 20.0 (8)				
			rating confidence (self-		Opioids: 20.0 (8) vs. 27.5 (11)				
			efficacy) to change.		Drug positive hair tests, % (n):				
			Participants received		Any drug: 47.6 (10) vs. 37.5 (6)				
			tailored messages and		Cannabis: 28.6 (6) vs. 31.3 (5)				
			options based on their		Cocaine: 4.8 (1) vs. 0 (0)				
			responses. (n=40)		Opiates: 4.8 (1) vs. 0 (0)				
			B. Wait list: Received the		Opiales: 4.0 (1) vs. 0 (0)				
			allocated intervention 3						
			months after study						
			enrollment (n=5/40 lost to						
			followup at that time)		1				

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Humeniuk, 2012 ⁵⁰	Multi- center Australia, Brazil, India, U.S. (Country- specific data for only Australia and the U.S. reported where available. Full N randomize d=731; Australia N=171; U.S. N=218)	3 months	techniques: brief intervention linked to the results of the ASSIST+ a take-home guide. (n=103) B. Wait list: participants were invited to contact the clinical interviewer if they had concerns about their substance use and were administered the brief intervention following the intervention period. (n=115)	Adolescents and adults aged 16-62 years using all drugs recruited at a university-affiliated community clinic, walk-in health clinic, walk-in sexually transmitted disease clinic visit using ASSIST screening tool. ASSIST score 4 to 26 (Moderate risk for cannabis, cocaine, amphetamine-type stimulant, or opioid use)	NR by intervention group Mean age: 31.4 years 28% female Race/ethnicity: 60% white; 24% Indian; 2% Hispanic; 1% Asian/Pacific Islander; 0.4% Native American; 0.3% Aboriginal/Torres Strait Islander; 3% mixed race; 2% other Education: 9.5 years Prior drug/alcohol treatment: 15% Moderate risk (ASSIST score 4-26) for primary drug, for full sample (proportion of participants at moderate risk for each drug class NR by country): 54% cannabis; 13% cocaine; 21% amphetamines; 13% opioids A vs. B ASSIST, total score, mean (SD): 34.9 (22.3) vs. 39.0 (24.6) ASSIST, cannabis score, mean (SD): 16.8 (7.7) vs. 16.2 (6.7) ASSIST, stimulant score (Among those eligible for a cocaine or amphetamine-type stimulant brief intervention), mean (SD): 20.9 (7.9) vs. 18.5 (7.6)	N=389 Loss to followup: 14.9%	Assume 100% of participants received brief intervention	Fair	WHO, Geneva, Switzerland and the Australian Commonwe alth Department of Health and Ageing, NIDA, WHO Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse and the Drug and Alcohol Services South Australia
Jones, 2005 ⁹⁹	2 centers U.S.	26 weeks	access to the full range of counseling services; positive	Age 18-60 years with DSM-IV opioid dependence who completed a residential tapering program	A vs. B Age: 38 vs. 38 years Gender: 61% vs. 63% female Race: 72% vs. 70% black Positive for cocaine at detox intake: 70% vs. 66%	N=130 Loss to followup: NR	NR	Fair	NIDA

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year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Quality	Funding
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Lee, 2010 ⁵²		6 months	A. Computer-based personalized feedback: In addition to brief written materials about risks associated with marijuana use and a list of community resources and adolescent	Incoming college students aged 17-19 years using cannabis recruited via direct mailing using a GAIN- 1 screening criteria. Any cannabis use in the past 3 months.	Mean age 18 years (NR by intervention group) 57% vs. 52% female Race/ethnicity: white 68% white; 2% black; 6% Hispanic; Asian 16%, 0.9% American Indian/Native American; 0.7% other (NR by intervention group) Days used cannabis in past 90 days: 9.9 (15.8 SD) vs. 9.8 (16.2 SD) Cannabis related consequences in the last 3 months: 2.11 (SD 2.69) vs. 1.86 (SD 2.23)	N=341 Loss to followup:		Fair	NIDA
Lee, 2013 ⁵¹	Single U.S.	6 months	feedback: 1-hour intervention designed to provide the opportunity to discuss their cannabis use and review personalized graphic feedback.	18-25 years using cannabis recruited via direct mailing using an unreported screening criteria. Cannabis used ≥5 days in the past month	NR by intervention group Mean age 20 years 45% female Race/ethnicity: white 75%; 6% Hispanic; 11% Asian; 15% other A vs. B Days used cannabis in past 30 days: 16.5 (SD 8.2) vs. 16.5 (SD 8.2) Number of joints smoked in typical week): 9.4 (SD 9.8) vs. 8.3 (SD 8.8) Cannabis-related problems: 10.45 (SD 4.9) vs. 10.38 (SD 5.90)	Loss to followup: 17.5%	54.7% participants attended the in- person intervention Overall, 90 (84.9%) of participants received either the in-person or mailed feedback.	Fair	NIDA

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Study	Country			Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence		source
		64 weeks Only 16 weeks	C. Delayed treatment (n=NR)	Adults with DSM-IV diagnosis of cannabis dependence who had used at least 40 of the preceding 90 days	Age: 36 years Gender: 32% female Race: 69% white, 12% black, 17%	N=450 4 months Loss to followup: 11% 9 months Loss to followup: 13% 15 months Loss to followup: 17%	NR	Fair	SAMHSA, Center for Substance Abuse Treatment
Litt, 2008 ¹⁰ Kadden, 2007 ¹²⁰	⁰ Single center U.S.		contingency management (n=63) B. MET and cognitive behavioral skills training		A vs. B vs. C vs. D Age: 32 vs. 34 vs. 33 vs. 32 years Gender: 36% vs. 28% vs. 20% vs. 31% female Race: 59% vs. 56% vs. 72% vs. 57% white Cannabis Problems Scale: 13.42 vs. 13.97 vs. 12.62 vs. 15.19 Joints per day: 4.76 vs. 4.67 vs. 3.24 vs. 5.20	N=240 Loss to followup: 19% (12/63) vs. 20% (12/61) vs.	sessions attended: 5.2 (SD 3.5); no differences among	Fair	NIDA, NIH
Litt, 2013 ¹⁰	¹ Single center U.S.	9 weeks	A. MET, cognitive behavioral skills training, and contingency reinforcement	and meeting DSM-IV criteria for cannabis dependence or abuse	A vs. B vs. C Age: 32 vs. 32 vs. 34 years Gender: 27% vs. 30% vs. 38% female Race: 73% white, 9% black, 14% Hispanic, 4% other vs. 69% white, 11% black, 19% Hispanic, 1% other vs. 63% white, 17% black, 16% Hispanic, 4% other Estimated joints per day: 2.0 vs. 1.8 vs. 1.6	N=215 Loss to followup: 14% (10/71) vs. 18% (13/73) vs. 14% (10/71)	completed: 5.7 vs. 5.5	Fair	NIDA/NIH

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year	-		and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to			Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Lozano,	Unclear	68 weeks	A. CBT relapse prevention	Age 18 years or older,	Age: 34 years	N=290	NR	Fair	NIDA
2006 ¹⁰³	U.S.		(n=117)	smoked cannabis at	Gender: 23% female	4 months			
		Only 16 weeks	B. MET (n=88)	least 50 times in the	Race: 95% white	Loss to			
		of relevant	C. Delayed treatment control	preceding 90 days,	Days smoking cannabis in	followup:			
		comparison data	(n=86)	and not dependent on	preceding 90 days: 75	14%			
				alcohol or other drugs	Met criteria for cannabis	7 months			
				-	dependence: 94%	Loss to			
						followup:			
						19%			
						13 months			
						Loss to			
						followup:			
						13%			
						16 months			
						Loss to			
						followup:			
						11%			

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Marsden, 2006 ¹⁰⁴	5 sites London	6 months	information (n=166) B. Received printed health	Adolescent and young adult (ages 16-22), self-identified main substance to be ecstasy, cocaine powder or crack	Mean age: 18.3 vs. 18.5 Female: 33.1% vs. 34.1% Race/ethnicity: 75.3% vs. 76.7% white, 12.7% vs. 10.2% black, 8.4% vs. 9.1% Asian 3.6% vs. 4.0% other	N=342 Loss to followup: 13.3 vs. 11.9%	NR	Good	Department of Health for England and Wales, cost of toxicology
			risk information (n=176) All received £15 plus travel expenses at recruitment and again at followup	1 or more of these drugs in the previous month (on at least 4 occasions) and willingness to provide 2 person contacts for					testing were partly met by Altrix Healthcare Limited

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Martin, 2008 ¹⁰⁵	NR Australia	3 months	of the 3 month interview	adolescents that have used cannabis at least once in the past month, and were reasonably fluent in English Excluded if showed evidence of significant cognitive impairment,	Country of birth Australia, nonindigenous: 90% vs. 85% Living with parents: 80% vs. 75% Age of first cannabis use: 12.5 vs. 12.3 Days of cannabis use in past 90 days: 74.1 (SD 24.6) vs. 55.4 (SD 31.4), p=0.019 Cannabis dependence (DSM-IV) symptoms: 5.8 (SD 1.2) vs. 4.8 (SD 2.1) Cannabis dependence (DSM-IV): 100% vs. 85% SDS: 7.6 (SD 4.1) vs. 7.2 (SD 3.4)	N=40 Loss to followup: 20% vs. 20%	Completed intervention : 90% (18/20)	Fair	Australian National Heatlh and Medical Research Council

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Martino,	2 centers	6 months	A. In-person brief	Pregnant and	A vs. B vs. C	N=439	99%	Good	NIDA
2018 ⁵³	U.S.		intervention based on MI.	nonpregnant women	Mean age 34 vs. 35 vs. 34 years	Loss to	received		
			Following screening, 1 20	aged ≥18 years who	100% vs. 100% vs. 100% female	followup:	the		
			minute intervention based	scored positive on the	70% vs. 65% vs. 65% black; 13%	12.1%	intervention		
			on MI to support the	ASSIST screening	vs. 11% vs. 15% white; 13% vs.				
			importance of, and a	tool. ASSIST score 4	15% vs. 16% Hispanic; 4% vs. 8%				
			woman's confidence in,	to 26 (Moderate risk	vs. 4% other				
			cutting down or quitting	for drug use) or ≥11	Primary substance used: 56% vs.				
			substances and obtaining	for nonpregnant	56% vs. 60% nicotine; 10% vs. 16%				
			treatment. (n=145)	women and ≥6 for	vs. 9% alcohol; 22% vs. 19% vs.				
			B. Computer-based brief	pregnant women for	21% cannabis; 12% vs. 9% vs. 11%				
			intervention. Following	alcohol	other				
			screening, 1 20 minute		Substance use disorders: 57% vs.				
			computer-based, self-		53% vs. 59% nicotine; 27% vs. 25%				
			directed intervention based		vs. 31% alcohol; 36% vs. 29% vs.				
			on MI to support the		37% cannabis				
			importance of, and a		Education less than high school:				
			woman's confidence in,		32% vs. 34% vs. 34%				
			cutting down or quitting		Mean ASSIST score (for primary				
			substances and obtaining		drug): 22.2 (SD 8.1) vs. 22.8 (SD				
			treatment. The electronic		8.5) vs. 22.5 (SD 7.9)				
			sessions featured an		Cannabis use disorder: 36% vs.				
			interactive, 3-dimensional,		29% vs. 37%				
			mobile narrator that		Other illicit drug use disorder: 18%				
			delivered the intervention.		vs. 18% vs. 24%				
			(n=143)		Any substance use, days per				
			C. Usual care. Received 2		month: 22.8 (95% CI 21.4 to 25.5)				
			minute interaction based on		vs. 23.9 (95% CI 22.4 to 25.5) vs.				
			their ASSIST score and told		23.5 (95% CI 22.2 to 24.9)				
			about local treatments.						
			(n=151)						

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Mason, 2015 ⁵⁴ Mason, 2017 ¹¹⁸	2 centers U.S.	6 months	key MI clinical issues: rapport, acceptance, collaboration, reflections, and non-confrontation. (n=59)	Adolescents aged 14- 18 years using alcohol and any drugs recruited during primary care visit using CRAFFT screening tool. CRAFFT score of 2 or 3 = at risk for substance use disorder	NR by intervention group Mean age 16 years 71% female black 84%; other 16% Cannabis use in past 30 days (scale 0-7; 0=0 days; 1=1-2 days; 2=NR; 3=3-5 days; 4=6-9 days; 5=10-19 days; 6=20-29 days; 7=30 days): 1.4 (SD 1.3) Intentions to use cannabis in next 90 days (Scale 0-4; 0=definitely no; 1=probably no; 2=unsure; 3=probably yes; and 4=definitely yes): 1.9 (SD 1.3)	N=119 Loss to followup: 1.7%	100% received intervention	Fair	NIDA
McCam- bridge, 2004 ¹⁰⁷ McCam- bridge, 2005 ³¹	10 further education colleges London	12 months	& Rollnick 1991 and Rollnick 1992 (n=105) B. Non-intervention education-as-usual control (n=95)		A vs. B Age 16 years: 22% vs. 17% Age 17 years: 32% vs. 33% Age 18 years: 27% vs. 24% Age 19 years: 12% vs. 20% Age 20 years: 7% vs. 6%	Proportion with followup, 3 months: 92.4% (97/105) vs. 86.3%	The intervention was delivered successfull y to all participants	Fair	Research Training Fellowship awarded by the National Health Services Executive (London/ South Thames)

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McCam-		6 months	A. MI (n=164)		A vs. B	N=326	Received	Fair	Wellcome
bridge,	education		B. Control, received drug		Mean age: 18.0 vs. 17.9 years	Loss to	intervention		Truist,
2008 ¹⁰⁶	colleges		information on harm	Education colleges in	Female: 32% vs. 30%	followup:	: 90% vs.		Health
	London		reduction and advice			20% vs.	91%		Services
			(n=162)		51% black, 20% vs. 19% Asian,	18%			Research
				more frequently	16% vs. 20% mixed/other				Fellowship,
					Cannabis, mean 30-day frequency:				Big Lottery
					17.3 (SD 9.8) vs. 18.3 (SD 10.4)				Fund,
					Cannabis, mean joints past week:				Action on
				coffee bars and game					Addiction
				rooms	SDS: 4.1 (SD 2.9) vs. 4.6 (SD 3.2)				
					Cannabis, mean interactional				
					problems score: 1.0 vs. 1.0				
					Cannabis, mean problems score				
					(Cannabis Problems				
					Questionnaire): 6.5 (SD 4.3) vs. 7.0				
					(SD 4.0)				
					Ever used amphetamines: 4% vs.				
					2%				
					Ever used ecstasy: 7% vs. 8%				
					Ever used cocaine: 9% vs. 4% Ever offered heroin: 9% vs. 10%				
					Ever offered crack: 11% vs. 15%				
					Sold drug to friends: 20% vs. 25%				
					Sold drugs to others: 15% vs. 17% Mean General Health				
					Questionnaire-28 score: 11.2 vs.				
					11.1				
					11.1				

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	Single	4 months		Postpartum women in		N=107	NR	Fair	NIDA
	center				Mean age: 26 vs. 24 years	Loss to			
	U.S.			aged ≥18 years using	100% vs. 100% female	followup:			
				all drugs recruited	100% vs. 94% black	29%			
				during inpatient	Education less than high school:				
				hospitalization for	40% vs. 42%				
				childbirth using a	Daily or weekly cannabis use in 3				
			that the participant reported,		months prior to pregnancy: 66% vs.				
				screener. Any illicit	60%				
				drug use in the month	Drug use other than cannabis in 3				
				before becoming	months prior to pregnancy: 11% vs.				
				pregnant	14%				
			pros and cons of drug use						
			and related change, in which						
			the participant chose from						
			lists of positive and negative						
			aspects of drug use from						
			their perspective; and (3) a						
			summary and query regarding the participant's						
			interest in change, followed						
			by optional goal-setting						
			regarding drug use (n=55)						
			B. None. Control group						
			received no intervention						
			(n=52)						
]		(1=52)						

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	3 centers	6 months		Postpartum women in		N=143	4.3% did	Fair	NIH,
ma, 2014 ⁵⁷	U.S.				Mean age: 26 vs. 27 years	Loss to	not receive		Interva, Inc.
				aged ≥18 years using	100% vs. 100% female	followup:	the		
			(eCHECKUP TO GO): 6 30-		88% vs. 93% black; 6% vs. 6%	34.1%	intervention		
			minute individual behavioral	during inpatient	white; 6% vs. 1% other		, 23.9%		
			therapy sessions that	hospitalization for	Education high school graduate or		received 1-		
				childbirth using a	higher: 65% vs. 52%		2 sessions,		
				single question	ASSIST marijuana score: 14.5 (SD		and 60.9%		
				screener. Any illicit	10.8) vs. 14.4 (SD 10.5)		received ≥3		
			minute of brief advice based		ASSIST cocaine score: 1.7 (SD 7.1)		sessions		
				before becoming	vs. 2.0 (SD 7.7)		A vs. B		
				pregnant	ASSIST opiates score: 2.2 (SD 6.9)		Mean 7 vs.		
			offered by obstetrical		vs. 1.8 (SD 6.6)		5 treatment		
			doctors and nurses (n=71)		ASSIST amphetamine score: 0.3		visits		
					(SD 2.2) vs. 0.2 (SD 1.0)		Average		
					Prior drug use treatment: 15% vs.		time in		
					19%		treatment		
					Daily/near daily cannabis use: 87%		148.17 (SD		
					vs. 86%		97.34)		
							minutes vs.		
							7.12 (SD		
							3.57)		
							minutes		
							Average #		
							of sessions		
							and 3.89		
							vs. 5.88		

	Number of centers	Duration of	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B)			N Loss to		Quality	Funding
		followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence		source
ma, 2018 ⁵⁶	- 3 -	6 months	A. Computer-based brief intervention focused on parenting patterned after MI principles and was tailored to each participant. Participants received a video-based orientation ("The Parent Check-up"), tailored to their ethnic identity and religiosity. The video touched on substance use but did not focus on it exclusively. Participants received feedback and offered the option of changing in 1 of the 4 areas or ending The Parent Check-up (n=252) B. Attention control: Participants watched educational videos about infant nutrition from birth to age 1 (i.e., breastfeeding, formula feeding, when to introduce solids) with no mention of safety, emotional health, or substance use (n=248)	post-delivery recovery aged 18-45 years using all drugs recruited during inpatient hospitalization for childbirth using the WIDUS screening tool. WIDUS score ≥3	Mean age: 25 vs. 24 years 100% vs. 100% female 72% vs. 74% black; 3% vs. 2% white; 25% vs. 23% other; 4% vs. 4% Hispanic Pre-pregnancy prescription opioid misuse: 14% vs. 10%	N=500 Loss to followup: 34.7%	100% received intervention	Fair	NIH

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Palfai, 2014 ⁵⁸	Single center U.S.	6 months	A. Computer-based personalized feedback (eCHECKUP TO GO) Following assessment, participants were provided with detailed personalized feedback about their cannabis use, including costs, norms, risks, consequences, and alternative activities. (n=54) B. Attention Control: Participants were provided minimal general health feedback regarding recommended guidelines for sleep, exercise, and nutrition. (n=49)	visit using the ASSIST screening tool. At least monthly cannabis use in the past 3 months (Persons with ASSIST score >27 at baseline (indicating a high likelihood of substance dependence) were excluded)	Readiness to change (Computed by		NR	Fair	NIDA

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Poblete,	32 sites	3 months	A. Brief intervention based	Adults aged 19-55	A vs. B	N=806	Assume	Fair	The Chilean
2017 ⁵⁹	Chile		on FRAMES: ASSIST-linked	years using alcohol, all	Mean age: 29 vs. 30 years	Loss to	100% of		National
			brief intervention for the	drugs recruited at	71% vs. 70% females	followup:	participants		Service for
			substance with the highest	primary care,	Race/ethnicity NR	38.3%	received		the
			score, and the ASSIST self-	emergency	ASSIST (Chilean) total score		brief		Prevention
			help guide, with additional	department or police	(mean): 27.1 (SD 9.2) vs. 26.6 (SD		intervention		and
			information regarding		9.7)				Rehabilitati
			substances and high-risk		ASSIST, cannabis score: 9.6 (SD				on of Drugs
			situation management.	version. ASSIST score					and Alcohol
			When 2 substances had the	11 to 20 for alcohol or	ASSIST, cocaine score: 11.1 (SD				
			same score, the participant	ASSIST score 4 to 20	5.1) vs. 10.4 (SD 5.1)				
			had the choice to decide	for drug use	Participants with moderate risk drug				
			which substance to receive	(moderate risk)	use: cannabis: 47% vs. 51%;				
			counseling for. The		cocaine: 18% vs. 20%				
			intervention was based on						
			the FRAME model, which						
			provides specific feedback,						
			offers a menu of options,						
			and enhances motivation to						
			change (n=400)						
			B. Usual care: Participants						
			received a pamphlet of their						
			own choosing containing						
			broad information on						
			substance use risk and						
			harm (n=406)						

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year		Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to			Funding
Study		followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Rooke,	NR	12 weeks	, -	Adults who used	A vs. B	N=230		Fair	Department
2013 ¹⁰⁸	Internation		modules (n=119)	cannabis at least once			participants		of Health
	al		B. Educational control, 6		Gender: 40% vs. 37% female	followup:	completed		and Aging
			modules (n=111)		Race: NR	46%	1 module		
				a desire to reduce or	SDS: 8.97 (SD 3.61) vs. 8.78 (SD	(55/119) vs.	-		
				quit use	3.61)		as .		
					Frequency of cannabis use: 21.33	()	recommend		
					vs. 20.76 days/month		ed, the 6-		
							week follow up		
							follow-up approximat		
							es a short		
							term post-		
							treatment		
							assessment		
							Participants		
							may not		
							have		
							completed		
							all modules		
							or		
							completed		
							them more		
							quickly than		
							in 6		
							weeks."		

Author,	Number of		Intervention described			N			
	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Roy-Byrne,		12 months		Adults aged ≥18 years		N=868	97%	Good	NIDA
2014 ⁶⁰	U.S.			using all drugs	Mean age: 48 vs. 48 years	Loss to	received a		
Krupitski,			approach + telephone	recruited at primary	32% vs. 29% female	followup:	brief		
2012 ¹¹⁷				care visit using	44% vs. 45% white; 36% vs. 38%	10.5%	intervention		
			minute) intervention in which		black; 19% vs. 16% other; 9% vs.		and 47%		
			interventionists used a MI	Any illegal drug or	10% Hispanic		received a		
				nonprescribed	Education less than high school:		booster call		
				medication use at	21% vs. 17%		Brief		
			flexibility as to which or how		Days used most frequently used		intervention		
			, · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	3 months.	drug past 30 days (mean): 14.4 (SD		averaged		
			well as in how to guide the		11.3) vs. 13.3 (SD 10.7)		27 minutes		
			participant (e.g., specialty		Drugs used in the last 30 days:				
			treatment, abstinence, harm		marijuana: 77% vs. 75%; stimulants:				
			reduction). The same		42% vs. 41%; opiates: 24% vs. 28%				
			interventionist attempted a		DAST-10 drug use severity: low				
			follow-up telephone booster		(score 1-2): 32% vs. 32%;				
			session within 2 weeks of		intermediate (score 3-5): 39% vs.				
			the intervention (n=435)		37%; substantial/severe (score ≥6):				
			B. Enhanced usual care:		29% vs. 32%				
			participants received an		Drug use days (For the most				
			illustrated handout depicting		frequently used drug), mean (SD):				
			their DAST-10 drug problem		14.4 (11.3) vs. 13.3 (10.7)				
			severity score and list of		Severity of disorder (ASI -Drug) (For				
			substance abuse resources.		the most frequently used drug),				
			Resembled the "notification		mean (SD): 0.11 (0.1) vs. 0.1 (0.1)				
			and referral" strategy that						
			might be implemented in						
			high-quality usual care						
			(n=433)						<u> </u>

Saitz, 2014 ⁶¹ Fuster, 2016 ¹¹⁵ Kim, 2016 ¹¹⁶ ASPIRE	Single center U.S.	6 months	Participants received a single 10- to 15-minute structured interview that used some features of MI and included feedback, review of the "pros and cons" of use, and development of a plan for	using all drugs recruited during primary care visit using ASSIST. ASSIST score ≥4 (drug use weekly or more in past 3 months or less frequent use but with consequences)	Mean age: 40 vs. 43 vs. 41 years 29% vs. 29% vs. 33% female 68% vs. 72% vs. 66% black; 11% vs. 6% vs. 12% Hispanic; 19% vs. 21% vs. 21% white; 2% vs. 0% vs. 2% other		A. All participants received intervention B. All participants received 30-45 minute MI session, and 31% received the optional 20-30 minute booster session	Good	NIDA, center for substance abuse treatment, SAMHSA, National Center for Research Resources
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Author, year Study		Duration of followup	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	N Loss to followup	Adherence		Funding source
			alcohol and drug screening. (n=175)						
Schaub, 2015 ¹⁰⁹ Can Reduce	NR Germany	12 weeks	A. Self-help with chat, based on MI and CBT (n=114) B. Self-help without chat, based on MI and CBT (n=101) C. Waitlist control (n=93)	using cannabis at least once a week over the preceding 30 days	Age 20 years or less: 21% vs. 12% vs. 19% Age 21-25 years: 27% vs. 19% vs. 14% Age 26-30 years: 14% vs. 29% vs. 20% Age 31-35 years: 15% vs. 18% vs. 16% Age 36-40 years: 12% vs. 10% vs. 12% Age 41-45 years: 5% vs. 5% vs. 8% Age 46 years or older: 5% vs. 8% vs. 11% Gender: 31% vs. 24% vs. 18% female Race: NR Cannabis use (days per week): 6.1 (SD 1.6) vs. 6.1 (SD 1.7) vs. 6.7 (SD 0.9) Cannabis use (standardized cannabis joints): 23.0 (SD 15.1) vs. 25.1 (SD 25.2) vs. 23.6 (SD 13.2) SDS: 7.7 (SD 3.5) vs. 7.5 (SD 3.6) vs. 7.3 (SD 3.1)		(27/114) Received self-help but not chat: 76% (87/114) Mean modules completed: 3.2 B. Received self-help: 100% (101/101)	Fair	Infodrog
Stein, 2009 ¹¹⁰	NR U.S.	26 weeks	A. MI, 4 sessions (n=97) B. Written handout of treatment resources (n=101)	who used cocaine at least weekly during	Age: 38 vs. 38 years Gender: 39% vs. 38% female Race: 39% vs. 41% white	N=198 Loss to followup: 17% vs. 21%	Mean MI sessions: 2.9 Attended all MI sessions: 54% Attended no MI sessions: 10%	Fair	NIDA

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year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Stein, 2011 ⁶²		6 months	A. MI: Participants received 2 45-minute MI sessions spaced 1 month apart (n=163) B. Control: assessment only (n=169)	Women aged 18-24 years using cannabis recruited using generic advertising for a health	A vs. B Mean age 21 vs. 21 years 100% vs. 100% female 72% vs. 63% white; 10% vs. 11% black; 10% vs. 13% Hispanic; 7% vs. 12% other Years of regular cannabis use: 3.8 (SD 2.7) vs. 4.1 (SD 2.5) Cannabis dependence: 39.5% Desire to quit using cannabis: 57% vs. 64% Proportion of days used cannabis, in past 90 days: 0.59 (SD 0.34) vs. 0.55 (SD 0.34) Any cannabis use: 100% vs. 100% Cannabis related consequences:	N=332 Loss to followup: 21.1%		Fair	NIDA
Stephens, 2000 ³²	Single center U.S.	4 months	A. Relapse Prevention Support Group: combination CBT and social support (n=117) B. Individualized Assessment and Advice: sessions with therapist feedback, MI and advice on CBT techniques (n=88) C. Delayed treatment contro (n=86)	quitting Excluded: use <50 times in the past 90 days; severe psychological distress or suicidal ideation; currently in formal	4.82 (SD 4.66) vs. 4.99 (SD 4.71) <i>NR by intervention group</i> Mean age 34 years 23% female 95% white; other race/ethnicity NR Age of first marijuana use: 15.9 (SD 3.9) Years of marijuana use: 17.4 (SD 5.21) Marijuana Dependence Scale (0-9): 6.84 (SD 2.13) vs. 6.65 (SD 1.95) vs. 6.71 (SD 1.77) Proportion meeting 1 or more DSM- III dependence criteria: 93% (range 58-93%) Cannabis use in last month (days): 25.38 (SD 6.15) vs. 24.24 (SD 6.29) vs. 24.85 (SD 6.13)		A vs. B vs. C A. Proportion attending ≥10 sessions: 50% B. Proportion attending both sessions: 86% (76/88) C. NR	Fair	NIDA

Author,	Number of		Intervention described			Ν			
year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Stephens,	Single	12 months	A. Personal feedback:	Marijuana-using adults	A vs. B	N=188	88.7% and	Good	NIDA
2007 ¹¹¹	center		therapist reviewed a	who represented who	Mean age 31.48 (SD 9.22) vs. 32.48	Loss to	93.5		
	U.S.		personal feedback report	responded to	(SD 11.11)	followup:	received		
			with the participant (n=62)	advertisements and	77.4% vs. 69.4% male	19%	allocated		
			B. Attention control (multi-	were screened for	87.1% vs. 87.1% white race	(groups A	intervention		
			media feedback): a	participation	Age of first marijuana use: 14.71	and B only)	(groups A		
			balanced presentation of the	Excluded: <15 days of	(SD 3.81) vs. 14.74 (SD 3.55)		and B)		
			multiple points of view on	marijuana use out of	Days of marijuana use in the last 90				
			the consequences		days: 74.84 (SD 16.71) vs. 74.84				
			associated with marijuana	heavy alcohol or other	(SD 16.44)				
			use; participants were	drug use, involved in	Dependence symptoms (DSM-IV, 0-				
			invited to ask questions at	other substance	7): 3.92 (SD 1.78) vs. 3.26 (SD				
			any time but no feedback	abuse, treatment or a	1.93)				
			regarding the participant's	self-help group, had	Marijuana Problem Scale (0-19):				
			use of marijuana was		6.37 (SD 3.71) vs. 5.31 (SD 3.53)				
			provided and therapists		Proportion meeting DSM-IV criteria				
			avoided using MI techniques		for cannabis dependence (total				
			(n=62)		population): 64%				
			C. Delayed feedback:		Proportion meeting DSM-IV criteria				
			educational control condition		for cannabis abuse (total				
			that provided information	area within the next 12	population): 29%				
			about the latest research on	'					
			marijuana delivered in an	within 60 miles of the					
			objective, stimulating, but	study site, living with					
			largely didactic manner.	someone already					
			(n=64)	enrolled in the study,					
				not fluent in English					

Author,	Number of		Intervention described			Ν			
year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to			Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Tait, 2015 ¹¹²	Community recruitment (social media and clinic posters) Australia	24 weeks	A. MET + CBT (n=81) B. Waitlist (n=79)	Age 18 years or older, resident of Australia, with reported use of amphetamine-type stimulants in the preceding 3 months	Age: 22 vs. 23 years Gender: 21% vs. 28% female Race: NR Age at first amphetamine-type stimulant use: 18 vs. 19 years Daily stimulant use: 9% vs. 14% Weekly stimulant use: 26% vs. 29% Monthly stimulant use: 41% vs. 23% 1-2 times stimulant use in previous 90 days: 25% vs. 34% SDS: 3.7 (SD 3.5) vs. 3.8 (SD 3.3) Amphetamine-type Stimulants	N=160 3 months Loss to followup: 57% (46/81) vs. 43% (34/79)	Did not complete any modules: 37% (30/81) Completed only 1 module: 7% (6/81) Completed	Fair	Commonwe alth of Australia Department of Health and Ageing, Australian National Health and Medical Research Council

Author,	Number of	:	Intervention described			N			
year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Tzilos Wernette, 2018 ⁶³	Single center U.S.	4 months	A. Health Checkup for Expectant Moms: computerized program in a MI-consistent style (Intervention addressed both sexually transmitted infection/HIV and alcohol/drug risk). Participants interacted with a computer and were guided	Pregnant women (<5 months gestation) using alcohol, cannabis recruited during obstetrics visit using T-ACE or SURP-P screening tools. Current alcohol or drug use or at -risk for prenatal alcohol/drug use (positive score on T- ACE or SURP-P)	A vs. B Mean age: 25 vs. 23 years 100% vs. 100% female Race/ethnicity: 23% vs. 42% white; 35% vs. 10% black; 12% vs. 15% multiracial; 6% vs. 0% Native American/Alaskan; 23% vs. 32% other/unknown High school grad: 25% vs. 32% Any alcohol or cannabis use by hair sample: 77% vs. 58%	N=50 Loss to followup: 2.0%	100% completed health check-up for expectant moms program; 97% completed booster session	Fair	Eunice Kennedy Schive National Institute of Health and Human Developme nt

2013 ⁶⁴ Project Chill	U.S.			18 years using cannabis recruited during primary care visit using Add Health screening tool. Any cannabis use in the past year = included	Mean age 16 vs. 16 vs. 16 years 64% vs. 67% vs. 69% female 65% vs. 61% vs. 56% black; 7% vs. 16% vs. 11% Hispanic Dropped out of school: 4% vs. 6% vs. 7% Cannabis use in past 90 days (Scale 0-6 where 0=never, 1=1–2 days, 2=once a month or less, 3=2– 3 days per month, 4=1–2 days per week, 5=3–5 days per week, and 6=every day or almost every day): 3.2 (1.9) Cannabis use, frequency (0=never, 1=1–2 days, 2=once a month or less, 3=2–3 days per month, 4=1–2 days per week, 5=3–5 days per week, and 6=every day or almost every day), mean (SD): 3.14 (1.86) vs. 3.06 (1.90) vs. 3.25 (1.87) Other drug use, frequency (0=never, 1=1–2 days, 2=once a month or less, 3=2–3 days per month, 4=1–2 days per week, 5=3– 5 days per week, and 6=every day or almost every day), mean (SD): 0.47 (1.29) vs. 0.86 (3.01) vs. 1.16 (2.71) Cannabis DUI (Categorical responses (assumed) 0=never, 1=1–2, 2=3–5, 3=6–9, 5=10 or more), mean (SD): 0.40 (0.93) vs. 0.48 (1.06) vs. 0.26 (0.66) Cannabis-related consequences scale range 0-28 (Included 23 items from the adapted version of the Rutgers Alcohol Problems Index (Marijuana Problem Inventory) and 5 items from the SDS where endorsement =0. Low value indicates better outcome.), mean (SD): 14.2 (15.3) vs. 14.3 (15.5) vs. 14.0 (15.0)	Loss to followup: 16.2%			
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Author,	Number of	:	Intervention described			N			
year	centers	Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Watkins,	2 centers	6 months	A. Collaborative care: the	Adults aged ≥18 years	Mean age: 42 vs. 43 years	N=397	98% were	Fair	NIDA
2017 ⁶⁵	U.S.		intervention included a	using alcohol, opioids	21% vs. 20% female	Loss to	entered into		
			population-based	recruited during	42% vs. 45% white; 13% vs. 14%	followup:	the registry,		
SUMMIT			management approach,	primary care visit with	black; 1% vs. 2% American	30.8%	93% met		
			measurement-based care,	NIDA Quick Screen.	Indian/Alaska Native; 1% vs. 0%		with the		
			and integration of addiction	Probable opioid or	Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander;		care		
			expertise through a RAND-	alcohol use disorder	0.5% vs. 1% Asian; 28% vs. 26%		coordinator,		
			based clinical psychologist		other; 11% vs. 17% multiple; 32%		76%		
			affiliated with the MI		vs. 30% Hispanic		scheduled		
			Network of Trainers (n=138)		Less than high school education:		an		
			B. Usual care: participants		28% vs. 28%		appointmen		
			were told by the research		Alcohol abuse or dependence only:		t with a		
			team that the clinic provided		56% vs. 52%		therapist,		
			opioid and/or alcohol use		Heroin abuse or dependence with or		45% kept		
			disorder treatment and given		without co-occurring alcohol or		the		
			a number for appointment		prescription opioid abuse or		appointmen		
			scheduling and list of		dependence: 27% vs. 34%		t, and 20%		
			community referrals. They		Prescription opioid abuse or		had at least		
			did not receive any		dependence with or without co-		1 additional		
			additional outreach or		occurring alcohol abuse or		psychother		
			contact (n=123)		dependence: 17% vs. 14%		apy session		

Author,	Number of		Intervention described			N			
year		Duration of	and comparisons (A vs. B)			Loss to			Funding
Study	Country	followup	Ns	Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence	rating	source
Woolard,	Single	12 months	A. MI: 2 brief interventions	Adults aged ≥18 years	A vs. B	N=515	51%	Fair	NIAAA
2013 ⁶⁶	center		guided by the principles of	using alcohol,	Mean age: 28 vs. 28 years	Loss to	returned to		
	U.S.		MI. The goal of the first brief	cannabis recruited	17% vs. 16% female	followup:	second		
Project			intervention was to engage	during emergency	68% white; 17% Hispanic/Latino	17.3%	intervention		
Reduce			the participant in reflection	department visit using	(NR by intervention group)		session		
			upon the pros and cons of	10-item wellness	Education years: 12.5 vs. 12.3				
			alcohol and marijuana use.	questionnaire. Any	years				
			The focus of the second	past month alcohol	AUDIT score mean: 10.7 (SD 1.5)				
			brief intervention session	use and past year	vs. 11.2 (SD 1.3)				
			was to review and reinforce	marijuana use	Alcohol and cannabis use days in				
			the change and create a		past 30 days, mean (95% CI): 6.5				
			change plan with those who		(5.7 to 7.3) vs. 6.2 (5.4 to 7.0)				
			had not made a change plan		Cannabis use days in past 30 days,				
			in the first session (n=206)		mean (95% CI): 12.8 (11.4 to 14.3)				
			B. Usual care: participants		vs. 12.4 (11.0 to 13.8)				
			received routine emergency		Heavy cannabis use in past 30 days				
			care for their presenting		(with or without co-occurring alcohol				
			medical complaint and were		or prescription opioid/heroin abuse				
			offered information on local		or dependence), mean (95% CI):				
			treatment resources for		5.3 (4.5 to 6.2) vs. 4.9 (4.2 to 5.6)				
			substance misuse (n= 220)		Negative consequences, total				
					(Noteworthy Index of Problems): 3.1				
					(SD 2.2) vs. 3.3 (SD 2.0)				
					Negative consequences, marijuana:				
					1.6 (SD 1.7) vs. 1.7 (SD 1.6)				

Author, vear	Number of centers	Duration of	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B)			N Loss to		Quality	Funding
Study	Country	followup		Inclusion criteria	Patient characteristics	followup	Adherence		source
Yonkers, 2012 ⁶⁷	2 centers U.S.	3 months	A. MET-CBT: motivational enhancement, functional analysis, safe sexual behavior, communication skills, relapse prevention and problem solving skills. Research nurse therapists had the flexibility to offeradditional sessions or repeat topics if there was time and need (n=92)	Pregnant women (<28 weeks gestation), aged ≥16 years using alcohol, all drugs recruited during obstetrics visit using TWEAK. Any use of alcohol or illicit drug use (excluding opiates) in last 30		N=183 Loss to followup: 8.2%		Fair	NIDA
Zahradnik, 2009 ⁶⁸ Otto, 2009 ¹¹⁹	2 centers Germany	12 months	2 MI sessions. The first 30- 45 minute session took place in the hospital; the second session, 4 weeks later, was conducted by phone. The intervention was based on the Transtheoretical Model of behavior change. Participants received an individualized feedback letter 8 weeks after the first intervention. (n=56) B. Usual care: informational	Adults aged 18-69 years using prescription drugs recruited during admission to internal, surgical, or gynecological ward of hospital using questionnaire for prescription drug misuse, SDS screener. Prescription drug use (Includes opioids, anxiolytics, hypnotics, sedative, and caffeine with addiction potential) >60 days in past 3 months or prescription drug abuse or dependence	A vs. B Mean age 53 vs. 56 years 65% vs. 60% female Race/ethnicity NR Education less than 10 years: 44% vs. 49% Prescription drug misuse, M-CIDI: 23% vs. 20%; SCID-I: 11% vs. 23% Prescription drug dependence, M- CIDI: 23% vs. 20%; SCID-I: 54% vs. 36% Alcohol use disorder: 9% vs. 10%	N=126 Loss to followup: 11.1%	NR	Fair	German Federal Ministry of Health

Abbreviations: ASI = Addiction Severity Index; ASPIRE = The Assessing Screening Plus Brief Intervention's Resulting Efficacy to Stop Drug Use study; ASSIST = Alcohol, Smoking and Substance Involvement Screening Test; AUDIT = Alcohol Use Disorders Identification Test; CBT = cognitive behavioral therapy; CI = confidence interval; CRAFFT = CRAFFT youth substance screening questionnaire; CUPIT = Cannabis Use Problems Identification Test; DAST-10 = Drug Abuse Screening Test; DSM =

Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders; DUI = driving under the influence; FRAME = Feedback, Responsibility, Advice, Menu Options, Empathy, and Self-Efficacy; GAIN-1 = Global Appraisal of Individual Needs; M-CIDI = Munchener Composite International Diagnostic Interview; MET = motivational enhancement therapy; MI = motivational interviewing; MOTI-4 = brief motivational enhancement intervention designed for young vulnerable non-treatment-seeking cannabis users; NA = not applicable; NIAAA = National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism; NIDA = National Institute on Drug Abuse; NIH = National Institutes of Health; NR = not reported; OTI = Opioid Treatment Index; QOL = quality of life; QUIT = Quit Using Drugs Intervention Trial; RAND = RAND (Research and Development) Corporation; SAMHSA = Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration; SCID-I = Structured Clinical Interview for DSM-IV Axis Disorders; SD = standard deviation; SDS = Severity of Dependence Scale; SF-12 = 12-Item Short Form Health Survey; SMART-ED = Screening, Motivational Assessment, Referral and Treatment in EDs; SUMMIT = Substance Use Motivation and Medication Integrated Treatment study; SURP-P = Substance Use Risk Profile-Pregnancy scale; T-ACE = screening tool for at-risk drinking developed for use in obstetrics/gynecological settings; TWEAK = five item alcohol screening tool; U.S. = United States; WHO = World Health Organization; WIDUS = The Wayne Indirect Drug Use Screener, YSR = Youth Self Report.

Appendix B10. Psychosocial Trials – Intervention Characteristics

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Recruitment method	Treatment setting	•	Mode of delivery	(when and how		Method(s) of outcome assessment
Babor, 2004 ²⁹	MET + CBT + case management (n=156)	84% referred via advertising that offered free treatment; 8% referred by a family member, friend, or relative; 5% referred from a general advertisement for the agency or clinic; and the remainder were from social service agencies, medical doctors, private practitioners (nonmedical), or self-referrals.	outpatient clinics	Therapist Yes	Face to face	A. 9 sessions (session duration NR) delivered over 12 weeks B. 2 1-hour sessions delivered 1 month apart C. NA	NR	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires Interviews with spouse, partner, friends or other relatives Urine testing
Baker, 2001b ⁸⁸	behavioral coping strategies + relapse prevention (Sessions	Notices placed within various agencies, cafes and treatment centres and an inner-city needle-exchange scheme; word of mouth.	Unclear	Student therapist Yes	Face to face	A. 4 30-60 minute sessions B. 2 30-60 minute sessions C. NA		Self-report based on standardized questionnaires

Author, year	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B)		Treatment	Practitioner Mentions special training	Mode of	Intensity of intervention (when and how	Mentions	Method(s) of
Study	Ns	Recruitment method	setting	required??	delivery	much)	materials?	assessment
Baker, 2005 ⁸⁹	A. 4-session CBT: MI (Session 1) + cognitive behavioral coping strategies + relapse prevention (Sessions 2-4; n=66) B. 2-session CBT: same as Session 1 and 2 (n=74) C. Control (n=74)	Notices placed withinvarious agencies and treatment	Unclear	Therapist (psychologist or social worker) Yes	Face to	A. 4 45-60 minute sessions tB. 2 45-60 minute sessionsC. NA	Yes;	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires Urine testing (20% subset)
Bernstein, 2005⁴	A. MI + telephone booster session: Participants received a semi scripted, brief (10-45 minute) motivational interview delivered by a peer, a substance abuse outreach worker in recovery. (n=490) B. Minimal: Participants received only a handout stating that "based on your screening responses, you would benefit from help with your drug use" (n=472)	Screen-detected (DAST-10)	Primary care	Experienced substance abuse outreach workers who were themselves in recovery Yes	Face to face followed by phone	1 10-45 minute MI session followed by 1 5- 10 minute phone call	NR	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires

Appendix B10. Psychosocial Trials – Intervention Characteristics

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Recruitment method	Treatment setting	Practitioner Mentions special training required??	Mode of delivery	Intensity of intervention (when and how much)	intervention	Method(s) of outcome assessment
Bernstein, 2009 ⁴⁴	A. Brief intervention, based on a MI approach (n=47) B. Usual care (not described) (n=55)	Young Adult Health and Safety	Emergency department	Peer educator Yes	Face to face	1 20 to 30 minutes brief individual counseling session and 1 5 to 10 minute booster phone call	NR	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires
Blow, 2017 ⁴⁵ Bonar, 2018 ⁹⁰ HealthiER You	A. Computerized brief motivational interview, targeting drug and alcohol use (n=257); A1 with (n=130) or A2 without (n=127) additional MET B. Therapist brief motivational interview, targeting drug and alcohol use (n=257); B1 with (n=127) or B2 without (n=130) additional MET C. Educational control: 3 minute review of community resources and HIV prevention (n=266); C1 with (n=136) or C2 without (n=130) additional MET		Trauma center	Masters level therapist in one arm No	A. Computer B. Face to face	Single 30 minute session	No	Self-report based on standardized questionnairesUri ne testing

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2014 ⁴⁶ Bogenschutz, 2011 ¹¹⁴ SMART-ED	 A. Brief intervention based on MI principles + telephone booster sessions. In addition to an informational pamphlet about drug use and misuse (n=427) B. Minimal: informational pamphlet about drug use and misuse, its potential consequences, and treatment options and optional referral to addiction treatment, consisting of a recommendation to seek treatment and a standardized list of available options (n=427) 	test NR)	Emergency department	Research staff that were not required to have prior clinical training Yes	Face to face followed by phone	1 brief intervention and 2 telephone booster calls		Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires
Copeland, 2001a ³⁰ Copeland, 2001b ⁹¹	package incorporating motivational interview + standard relapse prevention (n=78) B. 1CBT: single session of 6CBT + self-help booklet (n=82) C. Delayed treatment control (n=69)	Advertisements in local newspapers and radio interviews that promoted a treatment research program for persons seeking assistance in abstainingfrom cannabis use.	Research center	Psychologist familiar with CBT and alcohol and other drug interventions No	Face to face	A. 6 60-minute sessions B. 1 90-minute session C. NA		Self-report based on standardized questionnaires
	motivational interview	an appointment were invited to participate	Primary care, family-based community health clinic	Facilitator (38% had masters and the rest had bachelor's degrees) Yes	Face to face	session B. Usual care (received brochure)		Self-report web surveys

Author, year	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Recruitment method	Treatment setting	-	Mode of delivery	(when and how	intervention	Method(s) of outcome assessment
	A. Motivational interview + mindfulness meditation (n=22) B. Control: assessment only (n=12)	Advertisements in local newspapers and radio	Unclear	Master's level interventionist Yes	Face to face		Project MAPLE	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires; 14% of participants also used timeline followback diaries
	adolescents'	Direct recruitment by Drug Information Line staff in educational settings, youth care, coffee shops, and peer education projects	Specialty outpatient clinic 8 centers The Netherlands		A. Face to face B. Face to face and computer	90 minutes each B. Single session; mean 56 minutes		Self-report based on standardized questionnaires

Author, year Study		Recruitment method	Treatment setting	required??	Mode of delivery	(when and how much)	intervention materials?	assessment
	A. Brief, 2-session youth only session, integrates MI, CBT rational-emotive therapy, and problem-solving therapy B. Brief, 2- session youth and	Recruited from juvenile truancy intake and community diversion program; referrals accepted from any school		required?? Counselor Yes	delivery Face to face	A and B. 2-3 sessions lasting 1.5 hours each, occurring a week apart C. Standard services plus 3 hour-long visits a week apart offering referral services	Winters KC, Fahnhorst T, Botzet A, et al. Brief intervention for drug- abusing adolescents in a school setting: outcomes and mediating factors. J Subst Abuse Treat. 2012;42(3):2 79-88. doi: 10.1016/j.jsa t.2011.08.00 5. PMID: 22000326 and Winters KC, Leitten W. Brief intervention for drug- abusing adolescents in a school	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires Urine testing
							setting. Psychol Addict Behav. 2007;21(2):2 49-54.	

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	B. Usual care, 1 hour session in which the effects of cannabis on the body were	prevention fieldworkers and student counselors in the school system	4 sites Netherlands	Previous training in MI and a higher vocational education degree Yes	Face to face	B. 1 1-hour session		
Fischer, 2012 ⁹⁷ Fischer, 2013 ⁹⁶	 A. Brief intervention: oral or written intervention consisting of short, fact-based and nonjudgmental information on cannabis-related health risks (n=72) B. Control: general health information delivered in a manner similar to the brief intervention (n=62) 	University campus posters	Setting unclear Canada	Therapists with training in substance use and health behavior counseling No	Face to face	Oral sessions: single 20-30 minute session Written information: NA	NR	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires
Gates, 2012 ⁹⁸ CAHL	A. MI and CBT (n=68) B. Delayed treatment control (n=81)	Telephone callers to Cannabis Information and Helpline	Community Australia	Counselor Yes	Telephone	counseling	Manuals used to guide therapy	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires

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Baumeister, 2014 ¹¹³	A. Brief intervention + telephone coaching sessions: clinicians followed a paper scripted protocol; covering	Screen-detected (ASSIST)	Primary care 5 centers U.S.	Primary care physicians, lay counselors Yes	Face to face followed by phone	1 3-4 minute brief intervention followed by 2	NR	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires Urine testing
Project QUIT	drug addiction as a chronic brain disease, the need to quit or reduce using drugs to prevent this disease, the physical and mental consequences of drug use, and the potential accelerated progression towards severe substance use disorders caused by poly-substance use. (n=129) B. Attention control: video doctor and information booklet on cancer screening. At study exit, participants were given all intervention materials. (n=132)					20-30 minute phone calls		
Gelberg, 2017 ⁴⁸ Project QUIT (Pilot Replication)	 A. Brief intervention + telephone coaching sessions. Replication of Gelberg, 2015 intervention with minor modifications. (n=23) B. Attention control. Participants received a video doctor and information booklet on cancer screening. (n=28) 	Screen-detected (ASSIST)	Primary care 5 centers U.S.		Face to face followed by phone	1 3-4 minute brief intervention followed by 2 20-30 minute phone calls	NR	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires Urine testing

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Gryczynski, 2016 ⁴⁹	A. Brief intervention: Computerized brief intervention consisting of a short, single-session interactive program led by an animated talking avatar. Participants' choice was emphasized throughout, and participants were free to choose which substances to focus on (up to 2) and what kinds of behavioral changes they were willing to make. The computer Bl included questions about substance use problems, gender-specific normative feedback messaging, rating importance to change, and rating confidence (self-efficacy) to change. Participants received tailored messages and options based on their responses. (n=40) B. Wait list: Received the allocated intervention 3 months after study enrollment (n=5/40 lost to followup at that time)		Primary care Single center U.S.	Not relevant (computer-based)	Computer- based	1 10 minute computerized brief session	ASSIST manual	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires

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Humeniuk, 2012 ⁵⁰	A. Brief intervention with MI techniques: brief intervention linked to the results of the ASSIST+ a take-home guide (n=103) B. Wait list: participants were invited to contact the clinical interviewer if they had concerns about their substance use and were administered the brief intervention following the intervention period. (n=115)	Screen-detected (ASSIST)	Primary care Multicenter Australia, Brazil, India, U.S. (Country-specific data for only Australia and U.S. reported where available. Full N randomized=731; Australia N=171; U.S. N=218)	Clinical interviewers with some level of tertiary education within the health field	Face to face	1 15 minute brief intervention session	ASSIST materials: https://online library.wiley. com/action/d ownloadSup plement?doi =10.1111%2 Fj.1360- 0443.2011.0 3740.x&file= ADD_3740_ sm_apps1.p df https://online library.wiley. com/action/d ownloadSup plement?doi =10.1111%2 Fj.1360- 0443.2011.0 3740.x&file= ADD_3740_ sm_apps2.p df	
Jones, 2005 ⁹⁹	A. Contingency management, rewarding negative urine screens with access to the full range of counseling services; positive screens received individual 1 hour counseling sessions (n=66) B. Usual care, providing a list of referrals for aftercare options (n=64)	inpatient medically assisted	Inpatient to outpatient 2 centers U.S.	Master's level counselor Yes	Face to face	7 days per week for first 3 weeks, followed by 4 days per week in weeks 4-12	No	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires Urine testing

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Recruitment method	Treatment setting	Practitioner Mentions special training required??	Mode of delivery	Intensity of intervention (when and how much)	intervention	Method(s) of outcome assessment
Lee, 2010 ⁵²	A. Computer-based personalized feedback: In addition to brief written materials about risks associated with marijuana use and a list of community resources and adolescent treatment facilities, participants received a 20- to 30-minute structured intervention delivered by a peer educator. (n=171) B. Usual Care: Participants received brief written materials about risks associated with marijuana use and a list of community resources and adolescent treatment facilities. (n=170)	Screen-detected (GAIN-1)	Home Online- single university U.S.	Not relevant (computer-based)	Computer- based	ized, personalized feedback session with access to feedback for 3 months	NR	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires
Lee, 2013 ⁵¹	A. In-person personalized feedback: 1-hour intervention designed to provide the opportunity to discuss their cannabis use and review personalized graphic feedback. Facilitators used MI principles. (n=121) B. Control: assessment only (n=121)		Setting NR U.S.	Facilitators (Doctoral level graduate students and professionals) Yes	Face to face	One 60-minute in-person personalized feedback session	NR	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires
Litt, 2005 ¹⁰² Marijuana Treatment Project	A. MET + CBT (n=NR)	Media advertisements and agency referrals	Community recruitment (newspaper and radio ads) U.S.	Therapist NR	Face to face	MET (weeks 1 and 5) and 9	guide therapy	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns A. MET, cognitive behavioral	Recruitment method Newspaper and radio	Treatment setting Community	Practitioner Mentions special training required?? Experienced	Mode of delivery Face to	Intensity of intervention (when and how much) 9 sessions: 2	intervention	Method(s) of outcome assessment Self-report based
Kadden, 2007 ¹²⁰	contingency management (n=63) B. MET and cognitive behavioral skills training (n=61) C. Contingency management (n=54) D. Case management control (n=62)	advertisements	recruitment (newspaper and radio ads) U.S.	therapists Yes	face	sessions of MET + 7 sessions of CBT (relevant groups)		on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires
	skills training, and contingency reinforcement for	dependence	Single center U.S.	Therapists with graduate-level training and clinical experience with CBT and case management Yes		9 hour-long sessions once per week	Manuals used to guide therapy	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires
		News stories, media announcements and paid advertisements in local newspapers and on radio stations targeted adult marijuana users who wanted help quitting marijuana use.	Community recruitment (radio and newspaper advertisements) U.S.	Therapist NR	Face to face	A. 14 2-hour group sessions over 4 months B. 2 90-minute individual sessions 1 month apart	No	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires for dependence and severity; method of ascertaining self- reported marijuana use NR

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Marsden, 2006 ¹⁰⁴	A. Brief adapted motivational intervention, manual guided, plus standard printed health risk information (n=166) B. Received printed health risk information (n=176) All received £15 plus travel expenses at recruitment and again at followup	Detached outreach contact, direct nomination by other participants (to a maximum of five friends and acquaintances) and by advertisements placed in community sites	5 community agency sites London	Non-specialist youth and drug workers with relatively limited counseling experience and skills Yes	Face to face	minutes	S., Bell A.	

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Martin, 2008 ¹⁰⁵	manualized, motivational and	directly via media advertising; parents and concerned others were also targeted	NR Australia	· · · · · · ·	face	time NR B. None	referenced: Miller, W. R., & Rollnick,	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires
	All participants were given a \$25 gift card at completion of the 3 month interview						Guilford Press.	

	Intervention described and			Practitioner Mentions special		Intensity of intervention	Mentions	Method(s) of
	comparisons (A vs. B)		Treatment	•	Mode of	(when and how		
	_	Recruitment method	setting	required??	delivery	much)	materials?	assessment
	A. In-person brief intervention	Screen-detected (ASSIST)	Primary care	Study nurse,	A. Face to	A. 1 20 minute	NR	Self-report based
	based on MI. Following		2 centers	social worker,	face	brief		on timeline
	screening, 1 20 minute		U.S.	obstetrician-	B.	intervention		followback and
	intervention based on MI to			gynecologist	Computer	session		standardized
	support the importance of,				questionnairesUri			
	and a woman's confidence in,				face	brief		ne testing
	cutting down or quitting					intervention		
	substances and obtaining					session		
	treatment. (n=145)					C. 1 2 minute		
	B. Computer-based brief					interaction		
	intervention. Following							
	screening, 1 20 minute							
	computer-based, self-directed							
	intervention based on MI to							
	support the importance of,							
	and a woman's confidence in,							
	cutting down or quitting substances and obtaining							
	treatment. The electronic							
	sessions featured an							
	interactive, 3-dimensional,							
	mobile narrator that delivered							
	the intervention. $(n=143)$							
	C. Usual care. Received 2							
	minute interaction based on							
	their ASSIST score and told							
	about local treatments							
	(n=151)							
	A. Peer Network Counseling:	Screen-detected (CRAFFT)	Primary care	Masters level	Face to	1 20-minute	NR	Self-report based
'	MI guided by 5 key MI clinical		2 centers	therapist	face	individual	-	on standardized
	issues: rapport, acceptance,		U.S.	Yes		counseling		questionnaires
	collaboration, reflections, and					session		
	non-confrontation. (n=59)							
	B. Attention control (n=60)							

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McCambridge, 2004 ¹⁰⁷ McCambridge, 2005 ³¹	A. MI, single session adapted from work of Miller & Rollnick 1991 and Rollnick 1992 (n=105)	Identified through peer	10 Further education colleges London	Lead author	Face to face	A. 1 hour, single session B. Completed baseline and followup assessments only	Miller, W. R. & Rollnick,	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires
McCambridge, 2008 ¹⁰⁶	B. Control, received drug information on harm reduction and advice (n=162)		11 Further education colleges London	Practitioners Yes	Face to face	Single session, no longer than 1 hour		Self-report based on standardized questionnaires; saliva testing was requested at baseline as a bogus pipeline measure

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Ondersma, 2007 ⁵⁵	A. Computer-based brief intervention: three components based on MI and brief intervention principles: (1) feedback regarding the negative consequences of drug use that the participant reported, as well as self- reported readiness to change, and drug use as compared to that of all adult women; (2) pros and cons of drug use and related change, in which the participant chose from lists of positive and negative aspects of drug use from their perspective; and (3) a summary and query regarding the participant's interest in change, followed by optional goal-setting regarding drug use (n=55) B. None. Control group received no intervention (n=52)		Hospital Single center U.S.	Not relevant (computer-based)	Computer- based (tablet)	1 20 minute computer- delivered brief intervention session and 2 non-tailored mailings	NR	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires Urine testing
Ondersma, 2014 ⁵⁷	A. Computer-based personalized feedback combining CBT and MET (eCHECKUP TO GO): 6 30- minute individual behavioral therapy sessions that involved a combination of MET and CBT (n=72) B. Attention control: 1 minute of brief advice based on a manualized version of standard interventions offered by obstetrical doctors and nurses (n=71)	Screen-detected (ASSIST)	Hospital 3 centers U.S.	Not relevant (computer-based)	Computer- based	1 20 minute interactive computer-based personalized feedback session	NR	Self-report based on timeline followback Urine and hair sample testing

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Ondersma, 2018 ⁵⁶	A. Computer-based brief intervention focused on parenting patterned after MI principles and was tailored to each participant. Participants received a video-based orientation ("The Parent Check-up"), tailored to their ethnic identity and religiosity. The video touched on substance use but did not focus on it exclusively. Participants received feedback and offered the option of changing in 1 of the 4 areas or ending The Parent Check-up (n=252) B. Attention control: Participants watched educational videos about infant nutrition from birth to age 1 (i.e., breastfeeding, formula feeding, when to introduce solids) with no mention of safety, emotional health, or substance use (n=248)		Hospital Single center U.S.	Not relevant (computer-based)	Computer- based	1 brief computer-based session and personalized feedback report	NR	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnaires Urine and hair sample testing

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Palfai, 2014 ⁵⁸	A. Computer-based personalized feedback (eCHECKUP TO GO) Following assessment, participants were provided with detailed personalized feedback about their cannabis use, including costs, norms, risks, consequences, and alternative activities. (n=54) B. Attention Control: Participants were provided minimal general health feedback regarding recommended guidelines for sleep, exercise, and nutrition. (n=49)		College health clinic Single center U.S.		Computer- based	feedback session (minutes NR)	

Study	_	Recruitment method	Treatment setting	required??	Mode of delivery	(when and how much)	materials?	assessment
	A. Brief intervention based on FRAMES: ASSIST-linked brief intervention for the substance with the highest score, and the ASSIST self- help guide, with additional information regarding substances and high-risk situation management. When 2 substances had the same score, the participant had the choice to decide which substance to receive counseling for. The intervention was based on the FRAME model, which provides specific feedback, offers a menu of options, and enhances motivation to change (n=400) B. Usual care: Participants received a pamphlet of their own choosing containing broad information on substance use risk and harm (n=406)	Screen-detected (ASSIST - Chilean version)	Primary care, emergency department, police station 32 centers Chile	Social worker, psychologist Yes	Face to face		ASSIST manual	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires
Rooke, 2013 ¹⁰⁸	A. Web-based CBT + MI, 6 modules (n=119) B. Educational control, 6 modules (n=111)	Advertisements seeking individuals who wished to reduce or quit their cannabis use via an online program were placed on the National Cannabis Prevention and Information Centre website, online forums, Google, university bulletin boards, in newspapers, and at community health centers.	International	Not relevant (computer-based)	Web-based	completed at intervals selected by participants	Website: Reduce You Use: How to Break the Cannabis Habit	Self-report based ron timeline followback and standardized questionnaires

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Roy-Byrne, 2014 ⁶⁰ Krupski, 2012 ¹¹⁷	 A. In-person personalized feedback using a MI approach + telephone booster session: brief (30 minute) intervention in which intervention ists used a MI approach and tailored the intervention to allow for flexibility as to which or how many drugs to target, as well as in how to guide the participant (e.g., specialty treatment, abstinence, harm reduction). The same interventionist attempted a followup telephone booster session within 2 weeks of the intervention (n=435) B. Enhanced usual care: participants received an illustrated handout depicting their DAST-10 drug problem severity score and list of substance abuse resources. Resembled the "notification and referral" strategy that might be implemented in high-quality usual care (n=433) 	Screen-detected (screening test NR)	Primary care 7 centers U.S.	Social workers, master's level and bachelor level interventionists Yes		1 30 minute personalized feedback session and 1 10-minute booster call	NR	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires; non-drug use outcome measures were assessed using Washington State administrative data (chemical dependency treatment records, inpatient hospitalizations, state patrol arrest records, death records)

Saitz, 201461	A Priof pagetisted interview	Scroop detected (ASSIST)	Drimony core		A Eggs to	A. 1 10-15	NR	Solf report based
Fuster, 2016 ¹¹⁵	A. Brief negotiated interview using some features of MI.	Screen-detected (ASSIST)	Primary care Single center	A. Health educators	A. Face to face	minute brief	INR	Self-report based on timeline
Kim, 2016 ¹¹⁶	Participants received a single		U.S.		B. Face to	negotiated		followback and
Kiiii, 2010	10- to 15-minute structured		0.3.	school and had		interviewing		standardized
ASPIRE	interview that used some			human services	face C. Face to	session		
ASFIRE	features of MI and included			experience or a	face	B. 1 30-45		questionnaires Hair sample
	feedback, review of the "pros			bachelor's degree)		minute MI		testing
	and cons" of use. and			B. Counselors	,	session and 1		lesting
	development of a plan for			(master's degree)		optional 20-30		
	change. The interview			(master's degree)		minute booster		
	focused on the participant's			NR, but fidelity		followup session		
	main drug, but addressed			was assessed, so		C. 1-time		
	alcohol and other drugs if			likely		information		
				likely		momation		
	they emerged as relevant. (n=169)							
	B. MI + telephone booster.							
	Participants received 30 to 45							
	minutes of MI with an offered							
	20- to 30-minute booster							
	followup session. The							
	interview elicited possible							
	links between drug use and							
	health concerns, heightening							
	discrepancies between							
	negative drug use outcomes							
	and valued goals, enhancing							
	self-efficacy about behavior							
	change, and providing options	5						
	for change. The interview							
	focused on the participant's							
	main drug, but addressed							
	alcohol and other drugs if							
	they emerged as relevant							
	(n=173)							
	C. Minimal. Participants were							
	given information on how to							
	contact Alcoholics							
	Anonymous, Narcotics							
	Anonymous, the hospital							
	behavioral health clinic and							
	emergency team, a state							
	hotline, a city triage line, and							
	websites for alcohol and drug							
	screening. (n=175)							

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Schaub, 2015 ¹⁰⁹ Can Reduce	 A. Self-help with chat, based on MI and CBT (n=114) B. Self-help without chat, based on MI and CBT (n=101) C. Waitlist control (n=93) 	Press release, outpatient treatment centers, advertisements on Internet forums and prevention websites	Community recruitment (online and print media) Germany	Counselors, psychologists or psychiatrists with experience in treating cannabis- abusing patients Yes	Web	8 modules	Website	Self-report based on consumption diary (not specified as Timeline Followback) and standardized questionnaires
Stein, 2009 ¹¹⁰	A. MI, 4 sessions (n=97) B. Written handout of treatment resources (n=101)	Newspaper advertisement and word of mouth	Community recruitment U.S.	Therapist Yes	Face to face	4 sessions, 20- 40 minutes each	No	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires
Stein, 2011 ⁶²	A. MI: Participants received 2 45-minute MI sessions spaced 1 month apart (n=163) B. Control: assessment only (n=169)	Screen-detected (screening test NR)	Research clinic Single center U.S.	Therapist Yes	Face to face	2 45-minute MI sessions	NR	Self-report based on timeline followback
Stephens, 2000 ³²	A. Relapse Prevention Support Group: combination CBT and social support (n=117) B. Individualized Assessment and Advice: sessions with therapist feedback, MI and advice on CBT techniques (n=88) C. Delayed treatment control (n=86)	Media announcements, news stories, and paid advertisements in local newspapers and on radio stations in the greater Seattle, Washington, area promoted the Marijuana Treatment Project for adult marijuana users who wanted help quitting.	Research center Single center U.S.	Therapist (master's or doctoral level) Yes	Face to face	A. 14 2-hour sessions over 18 weeks B. 2 90-minute sessions C. NA		Self-report based on standardized questionnaires; days of use also verified by collaterals (e.g. spouse, partner, family, etc.)

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Stephens, 2007 ¹¹¹	A. Personal feedback: therapist reviewed a personal feedback report with the participant (n=62) B. Attention control (multi- media feedback): a balanced presentation of the multiple points of view on the consequences associated with marijuana use; participants were invited to ask questions at any time but no feedback regarding the participant's use of marijuana was provided and therapists avoided using MI techniques (n=62) C. Delayed feedback: educational control condition that provided information about the latest research on marijuana delivered in an objective, stimulating, but largely didactic manner. (n=64)		Research center Single center U.S.	Therapist (master's level) Yes	Face to face	A. 1 90-minute session B. 1 90-minute session C. NA	No	Self-report based on timeline followback and standardized questionnairesUri ne testing
Tait, 2015 ¹¹²	A. MET + CBT (n=81) B. Waitlist (n=79)	Advertisements on social network sites and posters in local clinics	Community recruitment (social media and clinic posters) Australia	Not relevant (web)	Web	3 modules, completed at participants pace but suggested 1 per week	Website	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires

Author, year Study	-	Recruitment method	Treatment setting	Practitioner Mentions special training required??	Mode of delivery	(when and how	intervention	Method(s) of outcome assessment
Tzilos Wernette 2018 ⁶³	, A. Health Checkup for Expectant Moms: computerized program in a MI-consistent style (Intervention addressed both sexually transmitted infection/HIV and alcohol/drug risk). Participants interacted with a computer and were guided by an animated narrator, which engages in a MI-consistent style, can use emotionally expressive statements and empathic reflection. Participants also received brochures specifically designed to facilitate health risk behaviors during pregnancy (n=31) B. Attention control: participants interacted with the computer and were guided by the same narrator used for intervention group participants. Participants also received brochures specifically designed to facilitate health risk behaviors during pregnancy (n=19)		Obstetrics and Gynecology Clinic Single center United States	Not relevant (computer-based)	Computer- based	1 60 minute computer- delivered MI session and 1 15-minute computer- delivered booster session		Self-report based on timeline followback

	Intervention described and			Practitioner Mentions special		Intensity of intervention	Mentions	Method(s) of
Author, year	comparisons (A vs. B)		Treatment	training	Mode of	(when and how	intervention	outcome
Study	Ns	Recruitment method	setting	required??	delivery	much)	materials?	assessment
Walton, 2013 ⁶⁴	A. In-person personalized	Screen-detected (Add Health)	Primary care	Therapist	A. Face to	1 session-	NR	Self-report based
	feedback using MI (The		7 centers	Yes	face	minutes NR		on standardized
Project Chill	intervention, delivered by a		U.S.		В.			questionnaires
	therapist and facilitated by a				Computer			
	computer, incorporated MI,				C. Face to			
	including tailored, parallel				face			
	content. The therapist used							
	an elicit-provide-elicit							
	framework when reviewing							
	tailored feedback, using							
	summaries and open-ended							
	questions to evoke change							
	talk (n=118)							
	B. Computer-based							
	personalized feedback							
	(n=100)							
NAL 11: 004765	C. Usual care (n=110)		D ·		– (
Watkins, 2017^{65}	A. Collaborative care:	Screen-detected (NIDA Quick	Primary care	Clinician (some	Face to			Electronic
	population-based	Screen)	2 centers	with waiver to	face	care (registry,		medical records
SUMMIT	management approach,		U.S.	prescribe		regular		for resource
	measurement-based care,			buprenorphine/nalt		assessment,		utilization and
	and integration of addiction			rexone), Master's		adherence		self-report based on standardized
	expertise (n=138)			level therapist		support) plus		
	B. Usual care: participants were told by the research			(Counseling or Social Work		training for behavioral		questionnaires
	team that the clinic provided			degree), and Care		therapists and		
	opioid and alcohol use			Coordinators (high		doctors for		
	disorder treatment and given			school degree)		medication-		
	a number for appointment			Yes		assisted		
	scheduling and list of			163		treatment		
	community referrals; did not							
	receive any additional							
	outreach or contact (n=123)							

Study	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Recruitment method	Treatment setting	required??	Mode of delivery	Intensity of intervention (when and how much)		Method(s) of outcome assessment
	A. MI: 2 brief interventions	Screen-detected (published	Emergency	PhD or master's	Face to	2 15-60 minute	NR	Self-report based
	guided by the principles of MI.	wellness questionnaire)	department,	level mental health	face	individual		on standardized
Project Reduce	The goal of the first brief		behavioral/mental health clinic	degree interventionist		counseling sessions		questionnaires
	intervention was to engage the participant in reflection		Single center	Yes		sessions		
	upon the pros and cons of		U.S.	165				
	alcohol and marijuana use.		0.5.					
	The focus of the second brief							
ir	intervention session was to							
	review and reinforce the							
	change and create a change							
	plan with those who had not							
	made a change plan in the							
	first session (n=206)							
	B. Usual care: participants							
	received routine emergency							
	care for their presenting							
	medical complaint and were							
	offered information on local							
	treatment resources for							
	substance misuse (n= 220)							
	A. MET-CBT: MET, functional	Screen-detected (TWEAK)	Obstetrics and	Research nurse	Tablets	6 30 minute	NR	Self-report based
	analysis, safe sexual		Gynecology Clinic			MET + CBT		on timeline
	behavior, communication		2 centers	obstetrical doctor		sessions		followback
	skills, relapse prevention and		U.S.	or nurse				Urine testing
	problem solving skills.			Yes (manualized)				
	Research nurse therapists							
	had the flexibility to offer							
	additional sessions or repeat							
	topics if there was time and need (n=92)							
	B. Brief advice: a manualized							
	version of standard							
	interventions offered by							
	obstetrical doctors and nurses							
	(n=91)							

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons (A vs. B) Ns	Recruitment method	Treatment setting	Practitioner Mentions special training required??	Mode of delivery	Intensity of intervention (when and how much)	Method(s) of outcome assessment
Zahradnik, 2009 ⁶⁸ Otto, 2009 ¹¹⁹		other questions to assess for prescription drug use)	Hospital 2 centers Germany	Psychologist Yes	Face to face, phone, letter	1 35-minute in- person MI session, 1 phone MI session, and 1 individualized feedback letter	Self-report based on standardized questionnaires

Abbreviations: ASPIRE = The Assessing Screening Plus Brief Intervention's Resulting Efficacy to Stop Drug Use study; ASSIST = Alcohol, Smoking and Substance Involvement Screening Test; CAHL = Project Cannabis Assistance Help Line; CBT = cognitive behavioral therapy; CRAFFT = CRAFFT youth substance screening questionnaire; DAST-10 = Drug Abuse Screening Test; FRAME = Feedback, Responsibility, Advice, Menu Options, Empathy, and Self-Efficacy; GAIN-1 = Global Appraisal of Individual Needs; MAPLE = randomized controlled trial of a brief MI for young adult female marijuana users with various levels of quitting desire; MET = motivational enhancement therapy; MI = motivational interviewing; MOTI-4 = brief motivational enhancement intervention designed for young vulnerable non-treatment-seeking cannabis users; NA = not applicable; NIDA = National Institute on Drug Abuse; NR = not reported; QUIT = Quit Using Drugs Intervention Trial; SDS = Severity of Dependence Scale; SMART-ED = Screening, Motivational Assessment, Referral and Treatment in Emergency Departments; SUMMIT = Substance Use Motivation and Medication Integrated Treatment study; SURP-P = Substance Use Risk Profile-Pregnancy scale; T-ACE = screening tool for at-risk drinking developed for use in obstetrics/gynecological settings; TWEAK = five item alcohol screening tool; U.S. = United States; WIDUS = The Wayne Indirect Drug Use Screener.

Appendix B11. Psychosocial Trials – Results

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Babor, 2004 ²⁹	A. Multicomponent therapy: MET + CBT + case management (n=156) B. MET (n=146) C. Control: delayed treatment (n=148)	A vs. B vs. C Proportion still in study; 4 months: 85.3% (133/156) vs. 87.7% (128/146) vs. 92.6% (137/148)	A vs. B vs. C Proportion abstinent (self- report, random sample verified by urine testing): 22.7% (30/132) vs. 8.7% (11/127) vs. 3.6% (5/137); (A+B) vs. C: RR 4.34 (95% CI 1.75 to 10.72) Proportion of days marijuana	A vs. B vs. C Marijuana Problem Scale (0 to 19): 6.02 (SD 4.85) vs. 8.35 (SD 4.06) vs. 7.77 (SD 3.90) Dependence symptoms (DSM-IV, 0 to 7): 2.47 (SD 2.34) vs. 3.70 (SD	A vs. B vs. C ASI medical composite score: 0.22 (SD 0.30; 95% Cl 0.2 to 0.3); 0.29 (SD 0.35; 95% Cl 0.2 to 0.3) vs. 0.15 (SD 0.26; 95% Cl 0.1 to 0.2) ASI psychiatric composite score: 0.13 (SD 0.18; 95% Cl 0.1 to 0.2) vs. 0.15 (SD 0.19; 95% Cl 0.1 to 0.2) vs. 0.13 (SD 0.18; 95% Cl 0.1 to 0.2) vs. 0.13 (SD 0.18; 95% Cl 0.1 to 0.2) (SD 0.19; 95% Cl 0.2 to 0.2) vs. 0.22 (SD 0.22; 95% Cl 0.2 to 0.3) vs. 0.20 (SD 0.17; 95% Cl 0.02 to 0.02) Beck Depression Inventory score: 7.71 (SD 7.76; 95% Cl 6.3 to 9.1); 10.35 (SD 8.5; 95% Cl 6.5 to 9.2) State-Trait Anxiety Inventory , State Version score: 33.35 (SD 10.13; 95% Cl 31.4 to 35.3) vs. 37.5 (SD 11.61; 95% Cl 35.5 to 39.5) vs. 35.5 (SD 11.21; 95% Cl 33.6 to 37.4)	

Author, year Study		Retention in care	Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
3aker, 2001a ⁸⁷ 3aker, 2001b ⁸⁸	(Session 1) + cognitive behavioral coping	Proportion completing study: 75% (24/32) vs. 87.5% (28/32)	(A + B) vs. C Proportion abstinent from amphetamines, 6 months (self-report): 58.3% ($14/24$) vs. 21.4% ($6/28$); p<0.01 Proportion abstinent from cannabis, 6 months: 6.3% ($1/16$) vs. 26.3% ($5/19$); p=NS Mean OTI amphetamine score: 1.20 (SD 1.63) vs. 0.83 (SD 1.03) at baseline, 0.18 (SD 0.52) vs. 0.39 (SD 0.62) at 6 months; mean change from baseline: 1.02 (SD 1.23) vs. 0.44 (SD 1.28); effect size 0.93 vs. 0.40 ; p=NS (value NR) Mean OTI cannabis score: 5.39 (SD 7.53) vs. 7.43 (SD 8.96) at baseline, 3.00 (SD 4.36) vs. 4.94 (SD 5.68) at 6 months; mean change from baseline 2.93 (SD 6.64) vs. 2.49 (SD 7.59); effect size 0.42 vs. 0.36 ; p=NS (value NR) Mean OTI polydrug score: 4.38 (SD 1.28) vs. 5.00 (SD 1.22) at baseline, 3.54 (SD 1.44) vs. 4.32 (SD 1.68) at 6 months; mean change from baseline 0.83 (SD 1.40) vs. 0.68 (SD 1.61); effect size 0.56 vs. 0.46 ; p=NS (value NR)		(A + B) vs. C Narrative report of no difference between groups in OTI crime scores, OTI social functioning, or GHQ-28 scores OTI injection risk-taking score: 5.34 vs. 9.02 (SD NR); p=NS (value NR) for difference in change from baseline A vs. B vs. C OTI health scores: 12.56 vs. 21.00 vs. 19.23 (SD NR); p=NS (value NR) for difference in change from baseline	

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Baker, 2005 ⁸⁹	(Session 1) + cognitive behavioral coping strategies + relapse prevention (Sessions 2-	Proportion still in study, 6 months: 77.3% (51/66) vs. 73.0% (54/74) vs. 64.9% (48/74)	A vs. B vs. C Proportion abstinent, 6 months (ITT analysis, self- report): 37.9% (25/66) vs. 33.8% (25/74) vs. 17.6% (13/74) Mean OTI amphetamine score (ITT analysis): 1.53 (SD 1.73) vs. 1.43 (SD 1.63) vs. 1.55 (SD 1.61) at baseline; 0.68 (SD 1.09) vs. 0.94 (SD 1.78) vs. 1.00 (SD 1.37) at 6 months; effect size 0.55 vs. 0.33 vs. 0.36; p=NS (value NR) Narrative report of no difference between groups in benzodiazepine, tobacco or polydrug use	between groups (data only reported according to number of sessions received, not by treatment allocation)	A vs. B vs. C Narrative report of no differences between groups in involvement in OTI criminal activity, injecting risk- taking behavior, or sexual risk- taking behavior Narrative report of no differences between groups in overall psychiatric distress (Brief Symptom Inventory Global Severity Index) or level of depression (Beck Depression Inventory-II)	NR

Author, year Study		Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
	A. MI + telephone booster session: Participants received a semi scripted, brief (10- 45 minute) motivational interview delivered by a peer, a substance abuse outreach worker in recovery. (n=490) B. Minimal: Participants received only a handout stating that "based on your screening responses, you would benefit from help with your drug use" (n=472)	those positive at baseline): 17.4% (70/402) vs. 12.8% (48/375), OR=1.51 (0.98 to 2.26), p=0.052 Cocaine abstinence (denominator those positive at baseline): 22.3% (84/377) vs. 16.9% (58/343), OR=1.51 (1.01 to 2.24), p=0.045 Opiates abstinence (denominator those positive at baseline): 40.2% (46/114) vs. 30.6% (49/160), OR=1.57 (1.00 to 2.47), p=0.05 Cocaine levels (Based on hair sample (units = ng/10 mg)): 436 (NR) vs. 464 (NR); between group difference NR, p=0.058 Opiate levels (Based on hair sample (units = ng/10 mg)): 26.4 (NR) vs. 30.7 (NR); between group difference NR, p=0.186		NR	NR
Bernstein, 2009 ⁴⁴	A. Brief intervention, based on a MI approach (n=47) B. Usual care (not described) (n=55)	A vs. B Cannabis use, days per month, mean (SD): 11.0 (10.7) vs. 13.2 (11.7), MD - 5.3 (-10.0 to -0.6), p=0.024 Cannabis abstinence (self- report): 30.9% (21/68) vs. 16.9% (12/71); RR 1.83 (95% CI 0.98 to 3.42)		A vs. B Drove after cannabis use: 17% (8/47) vs. 23.6% (13/55), OR=0.60 (0.12 to 1.750, p=0.352 Rode in car with person high after cannabis use: 21.3% (10/47) vs. 23.6% (13/55), OR=0.81 (0.31 to 2.10), p=0.668	NR

	Intervention described				Clinical backth accial as legal	Adverse
Author, year Study	and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Blow, 2017 ⁴⁵ Bonar, 2018 ⁹⁰ HealthiER You	A. Computerized brief	3 months: 81% 6 months: 85% 12 months: 87% Similar among groups	A1 vs. A2 vs. B1 vs. B2 vs. C1 vs. C2% change in mean, baseline to 12 months Days using any drug: -10.0 vs10.9 vs27.6 vs26.7 vs0.2 vs20.9; p<0.001 for B1, B2, and C2 Mean weighted drug days: - 13.3 vs16.6 vs30.5 vs 24.3 vs10.0 vs25.3; p<0.05 for A2 and B2; p<0.001 for B1 and C2 Days of cannabis use: -6.7 vs4.2 vs24.2 vs20.5 vs. 4.8 vs17.7; p<0.05 for C2; p<0.001 for B1	NR	HIV Risk-taking Behavior Scale coefficient (reference: C1) Computer A1: -0.94 (-2.06, 0.18) A2: 0.06 (-1.08, 1.20) Therapist B1: -1.25 (-2.38, -0.11); p<0.01 B2: -0.33 (-1.46, 0.80) Control C2: -0.03 (-1.14, 1.07)	NR

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency		Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Bogenschutz 2014 ⁴⁶ Bogenschutz 2011 ¹¹⁴ SMART-ED		NR	A vs. B Drug use days for the most frequently used drug, mean (SD): 8.6 (11.2) vs. 7.9 (11.1); between-group difference NR, p=NS (value NR) Drug use days, mean (SD): 10.7 (11.8) vs. 10.9 (12.1); between group difference NR, p=NS (value NR) Abstinence, 3 months (based on hair sample): 8.3% (46/555*) vs. 11.8% (34/287); 12 months: 17.1% (91/533*) vs. 14.9% (40/269) *Includes screening, assessment and referral to addiction treatment arm	A vs. B	A vs. B Mortality: 1.6% (7/427) vs. 3.7% (16/427) Incarceration: 1.2% (5/427) vs. 1.2% (5/427)	NR
Copeland, 2001a ³⁰ Copeland, 2001b ⁹¹	package incorporating motivational interview + standard relapse prevention (n=78) B. 1CBT: single session of 6CBT + self-help	Narrative report of no difference between treatment groups in likelihood of participating in follow-up	Proportion with continuous abstinence (self-report): 15.1% (8/53) vs. 4.9% (3/61) vs. 0% (0/56) Proportion abstinent in prior month (self-report): 20.8%	A vs. B vs. C SDS score: 5.8 (SD 4.3) vs. 7.6 (SD 4.4) vs. 9.2 (SD 3.2); A vs. C: p<0.0001; B vs. C: p=0.008 Proportion of cannabis-related problems (Cannabis Problems Questionnaire): 23% (SD 16.8) vs. 28.4% (SD 18.6) vs. 39.1% (SD 16.6); A vs. C: p<0.0001; B vs. C: p=0.004	NR	NR

Author, year Study		Retention in care	Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
d'Amico, 2018 ⁴³	minute motivational	did not receive the intervention		A vs B, 12 month followup: Number of negative consequences experienced from marijuana use, mean (SD): 0.92 (3.26) vs. 2.36 (9.29), p=0.04, effect size -0.28	NR	NR
Je Dios, 2012 ⁹²	A. Motivational interview + mindfulness meditation (n=22) B. Control: assessment only (n=12)		A vs. B Days of marijuana use, between-group difference: - 6.83 (95% CI -12.94 to -0.81) Narrative report of no difference between groups in abstinence rates	NR	NR	NR
de Gee, 2014 ⁹³	motivational interview- based aimed at	A vs. B Proportion with followup: 77.6% (45/58) vs. 86.9% (53/61)	A vs. B Days of cannabis use/week: 4.4 (SD 2.3) vs. 4.1 (SD 2.5); MD -0.01 (95% CI -0.62 to 0.61) Mean number of joints/week: 10.4 (SD 8.4) vs. 10.1 (SD	A vs. B Mean SDS score: 3.0 (SD 2.5) vs. 3.1 (SD 2.9); MD 0.04 (95% CI -0.69 to 0.78) Mean Cannabis Use Problems Identification Test Impaired Control score: 28.9 (SD 8.1) vs. 28.6 (SD 9.6); MD 0.17 (95% CI -1.67 to 2.00) Mean Cannabis Use Problems Identification Test Problems score: 6.2 (SD 3.8) vs. 5.7 (SD 3.7); MD - 0.06 (95% CI -1.11 to 0.98)		NR

Author, year Study		Retention in care		Drug use severity	outcomes	Adverse events
Dembo, 2016 ⁹⁴	 A. Brief, 2-session youth only session, integrates MI, CBT rational- emotive therapy, and problem-solving therapy B. Brief, 2- session youth and separate 1- session parent session C. Standard truancy services plus a referral service overlay of 3 visits by a project staff member; no counseling was offered \$15 was paid for completing the interviews 		model estimation Marijuana use, adolescent diagnostic interview and urine screen: A + B vs. C: Estimate -0.490, SE 0.277, p<0.05 (intervention group less likely to be involved in use) A vs. C: Estimate -0.841, SE 0.323, p<0.01 (intervention group less likely to be involved in use) B vs. C: Estimate 0.012, SE 0.390, p=NS (value NR) A vs. B: Estimate 0.790, SE 0.323, p<0.05 (those in intervention group B [family included] more likely to be involved in marijuana use than those in intervention group A)	NR	NR	NR
Dupont, 2016 ⁹⁵	A. MOTI-4 (n=71) B. Usual care, 1 hour session in which the effects of cannabis on the body were discussed, including a computerized animation, followed by a quiz and receipt of information leaflet (n=60)		A vs. B Mean number of cannabis joints smoked per week: ~5.8 vs. ~9.7 (estimated from figure) Multiple regression analysis Effect of gender (female) on number of cannabis joints smoked weekly: B -7.370, SE 2.415, p<0.05		A vs. B Amount of Euros spent on cannabis per week: ~10 vs. ~18 (estimated from figure) Multiple regression analysis Effect of gender (female) on Euros spent on cannabis weekly: B - 12.386, SE 4.253, p<0.05	NR

Author, year Study		Retention in care		Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Fischer, 2013 ⁹⁶	oral or written intervention consisting of short, fact-based and	Proportion with followup, 12 months: 55.6% (40/72) vs. 51.6% (32/62)	A vs. B (among study completers n= 40 vs. 32) Days of cannabis use in the past 30 days: 23.1 (SD 7.74) vs. 23.1 (SD 7.07) at 3 months, 22.3 (SD 8.07) vs. 22.1 (SD 9.24) at 12 months Number of cannabis use episodes/day: 2.4 (SD 1.94) vs. 2.4 (SD 2.74) at 3 months, 2.6 (SD 3.39) vs. 2.2 (SD 1.30) at 12 months		A vs. B Proportion who reported driving within 2 hours of cannabis use: 24% vs. 24%; p=NS	NR
	B. Delayed treatment control (n=81)	Completed 1- month (post- treatment) followup: 79% (54/68) vs. 89% (72/81)	frequency (days): 7.3 (SD 10.3) vs. 12.5 (SD 11.4), SMD 0.6 (95% CI 0.2 to 1.1) Cannabis use quantity per day: 5.0 (SD 13.3) vs. 6.7 (SD 10.4), SMD 0.4 (95% CI 0.0	A vs. B Cannabis Problems Questionnaire (0 to 22): 3.6 (SD 4.4) vs. 5.3 (SD 4.5), SMD 0.5 (95% CI 0.1 to 0.9) SDS (0 to 15): 3.2 (SD 3.8) vs. 5.8 (SD 4.3), SMD 0.9 (95% CI 0.5 to 1.3) ≥50% reduction in use and no problems (self-report): 38.8% (19/41) vs. 19.7% (12/61), OR 0.39 (95% CI 0.17 to 0.91)	NR	NR

	Intervention described and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Gelberg, 2015 ⁴⁷ Baumeister, 2014 ¹¹³ Project QUIT	A. Brief intervention + telephone coaching sessions: clinicians followed a paper scripted protocol; covering drug addiction as a chronic brain disease, the need to quit or reduce using drugs to prevent this disease, the physical and mental consequences of drug use, and the potential accelerated progression towards severe substance use disorders caused by poly- substance use. (n=129) B. Attention control: video doctor and information booklet on cancer screening. At study exit, participants were given all intervention materials	NR	A vs. B Drug use days for the most frequently used drug (in the past 30 days), mean (SD): 7.1 (95% CI 5.8 to 8.5) vs. 9.9 (95% CI 8.5 to 11.2), MD=2.68 (95% CI 0.76 to 4.60), p<0.01	NR	A vs. B QOL, mental health component (As measured by SF-12 Health Survey), mean (SD): 43.71 (11.78) vs. 44.39 (12.21), MD=0.25 (SD NR), p=0.848 QOL, physical health component (As measured by SF-12 Health Survey), mean (SD): 45.07 (12.18) vs. 44.47 (12.21), MD=1.59 (SD NR), p=0.115	NR
Project QUIT (Pilot Replication)	(n=132) A. Brief intervention + telephone coaching sessions. Replication of Gelberg, 2015 intervention with minor modifications. (n=23) B. Attention control. Participants received a video doctor and information booklet on cancer screening. (n=28)		A vs. B Drug use days (in past 30 days) for the most frequently used drug, mean (95% CI): 7.1 (5.8 to 8.5) vs. 9.9 (8.5 to 11.2), MD=2.68 (0.76 to 4.60), p<0.01 Abstinence, based on urine samples: 25% (5/20) vs. 56% (12/27); RR 1.69 (95% CI 1.03 to 2.76)	NR	NR	NR

Author, year Study		Retention in care	Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Gryczynski, 2016 ⁴⁹	A. Brief intervention: Computerized brief intervention consisting of a short, single- session interactive program led by an animated talking avatar. Participants' choice was emphasized throughout, and participants were free to choose which substances to focus on (up to 2) and what kinds of behavioral changes they were willing to make. The computer brief intervention included questions about substance use problems, gender- specific normative feedback messaging, rating importance to change, and rating confidence (self- efficacy) to change. Participants received tailored messages and options based on their responses. (n=40) B. Wait list: Received the allocated intervention 3 months after study enrollment (n=5/40 lost to followup at that time)			A vs. B ASSIST, total score, mean (SE): 24.4 (4.2) vs. 27.8 (4.3) β=-2.0 (2.7), p=0.46	NR	NR

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns	Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Humeniuk, 2012 ⁵⁰	A. Brief intervention with MI techniques: brief intervention linked to the results of the ASSIST+ a take-home guide (n=103) B. Wait list: participants were invited to contact the clinical interviewer if they had concerns about their substance use and were administered the brief intervention following the intervention period. (n=115)	NR	A vs. B ASSIST, total score, mean (SD): 31.1 (19.7) vs. 31.3 (18.7), study- reported between group difference=NR, p=0.11 ASSIST, cannabis score, mean (SD): 15.1 (9.5) vs. 12.3 (7.0), study- reported between group difference=NR, p=0.08 ASSIST, stimulant score (Among those eligible for a cocaine or amphetamine-type stimulant brief intervention), mean (SD): 16.2 (11.8) vs. 13.2 (10.5), study-reported between group difference=NR, p=0.8		NR

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Jones, 2005 ⁹⁹	range of counseling services; positive screens received individual 1 hour counseling sessions (n=66) B. Usual care, providing a list of referrals for aftercare options (n=64)	In a treatment program at 1 month: 64% vs. 12%; p<0.001 In a treatment program at 3 months: 49% vs. 12%; p<0.001In a treatment program at 6 months: 39% vs. 21%; p=0.034 Retained in contingency	Overall opioid abstinence: OR 2.15 (95% CI 1.16 to 4.00) Overall cocaine abstinence: OR 1.67 (95% CI 0.93 to 3.00)	NR	A vs. B Significant main effects of group condition for employment (p=0.01) and drug use (p=0.04) composite scores; mean days worked and mean legal income significantly higher for treatment group at 3 months, 6 months, and 12 months	NR

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Lee, 2010 ⁵²	A. Computer-based personalized feedback: In addition to brief written materials about risks associated with marijuana use and a list of community resources and adolescent treatment facilities, participants received a 20- to 30-minute structured intervention delivered by a peer educator. (n=171) B. Usual Care: Participants received brief written materials about risks associated with marijuana use and a list of community resources and adolescent treatment facilities. (n=170)	NR	A vs. B Cannabis use, days in past 90 days, mean, (SD): 11.0 (18.7) vs. 11.9 (19.3),	A vs. B Cannabis related consequences (using Rutgers Marijuana Problem Index- how many times from 0	NS	None reported
Lee, 2013 ⁵¹	A. In-person personalized feedback: 1-hour intervention designed to provide the opportunity to discuss their cannabis use and review personalized graphic feedback. Facilitators used MI principles. (n=121) B. Control: assessment only (n=121)	NR	A vs. B Cannabis use, days in past 30 days, mean (SD): 13.2 (10.6) vs. 11.7 (11.1), RR=1.11 (0.85 to 1.43) rate ratio calculated using negative binomial regression models Joints smoked (Number of joints smoked during a typical week), mean (SD): 7.3 (8.4) vs. 7.5 (10.7), RR=1.46 (0.73 to 1.46) rate ratio calculated using negative binomial regression models	Cannabis-related problems, (18 items from Rutger's Marijuana Problem Index with categorical responses from 1 [never] to 5 [more than 10 times] plus 10 study- developed items unique to the physical and motivational effects of marijuana use with binary coding of	NR	None reported

Author, year Study			Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Litt, 2005 ¹⁰² Marijuana Treatment Project	B. MET (n=NR) C. Delayed treatment (n=NR)		A vs. B vs. C Significantly more continuous abstinence in both treatment groups compared to control (p<0.01), with no difference between active treatments	NR	NR	NR
	behavioral skills training, and contingency management (n=63) B. MET and cognitive behavioral skills training (n=61) C. Contingency management (n=54) D. Case management control (n=62)	Attended post- treatment assessment: 94% (59/63) vs. 90% (55/61) vs. 93% (50/54) vs. 87% (54/62)	A vs. B vs. C vs. D 90-day abstinence (self- report): 23.7% vs. 21.8% vs. 18.4% vs. 13.0% at 5 months, 23.2% vs. 18.5% vs. 12.2% vs. 15.1% at 8 months, 25.3% vs. 15.4% vs. 12.5% vs. 15.4% at 11 months, and 27.6% vs. 20.4% vs. 12.5% vs. 19.2% at 14 months Narrative report of no significant treatment effect on proportion of days abstinent, joints smoked per day, cannabis Problems Scale, or the ASI		NR	NR
Litt, 2013 ¹⁰¹	behavioral skills training, and	86% (61/71) vs. 82% (60/73) vs. 86% (61/71)	Narrative report of no differences among groups in continuous abstinence, proportion of days abstinent, or Cannabis Problem Scale scores	NR	NR	NR

Author, year Study			Drug use abstinence/frequency		Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Lozano, 2006 ¹⁰³	prevention (n=117) B. MET (n=88)	of treatment (16 weeks): 86% (NR by group)	treatment goals (complete abstinence, moderate use, or non-moderate use) showed	reported dependence symptoms	NR	NR

	Intervention described					
Author, year	and comparisons		Drug use		Clinical health, social or legal	Adverse
Study	Ns	Retention in care	abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	outcomes	events
Marsden,	A. Brief adapted	NR	A vs. B - no significant effects	NR	NR	NR
2006 ¹⁰⁴	motivational		Abstinence in last 90 days via			
	intervention, manual		Maudsley Addiction Profile			
	guided, plus standard		(self-report, random sample			
printed health risk information (n=166)		verified by saliva testing)				
		Ecstasy: 42.8% (71/166) vs.				
	B. Received printed		43.8% (77/176), RR 0.98			
	health risk information		(95% CI 0.77 to 1.25)			
	(n=176)		Cocaine powder: 51.8%			
	All received £15 plus		(86/166) vs. 44.3% (78/176),			
	travel expenses at		RR 1.17 (95% CI 0.94 to			
	recruitment and again at		1.46)			
	followup		Crack cocaine: 81.3%			
			(135/166) vs. 72.7%			
			(128/176), RR 1.12 (95% CI			
			0.99 to 1.26)			
			Cannabis: no between			
			subject differences at			
			followup, RR 0.76 (95% CI			
			0.44 to 1.29)			
			No. days used in previous 90			
			days (days):			
			Ecstasy: 8.20 (SD 13.5) vs.			
			8.70 (SD 13.2)			
			Cocaine powder: 5.54 (SD			
			11.5) vs. 7.40 (SD 12.6)			
			Crack cocaine: 4.67 (SD			
			15.1) vs. 5.73 (SD 15.8)			
			Cannabis: 52.01 (SD 36.5)			
			vs. 57.24 (SD 36.3)			
			Amount used in previous 90			
			days:			
			Ecstasy: 1.53 vs. 1.44 tablets			
			Cocaine powder: 0.40 vs.			
			0.49 grams			
			Crack cocaine; 0.11 vs. 0.18			
			grams			
			Cannabis: 3.34 vs. 3.23			
			grams			

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns	Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Martin, 2008 ¹⁰⁵	A. "The Adolescent Cannabis Check-Up"; a brief, manualized, motivational and cognitive behavioral intervention, consisting of 2 sessions. Optional discussion of skills for quitting drug use (n=20) B. Delayed treatment control (n=20) All participants were given a \$25 gift card at completion of the 3 month interview	90 days: 54.3 (SD 36.1) vs. 54.5 (SD 31.6), p=0.032 Mean cones used per week,	A vs. B Cannabis dependence symptoms (DSM-IV, 0 to 11): 3.8 (SD 2.8) vs. 4.2 (SD 2.0), p=0.04 Cannabis dependence (DSM-IV): 65% vs. 80%	NR	NR

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	A. In-person brief	NR	Substance use, days per	NR	NR	NR
	intervention based on		month (Any substance use			
	MI. Following screening,		including nicotine, cannabis,			
	1 20 minute intervention		alcohol, and other drugs),			
	based on MI to support		mean, (95% CI):			
v c s o (i E E F 2	the importance of, and a		A vs. C: 16.3 (14.4 to 18.5)			
	woman's confidence in,		vs. 17.9 (16.1 to 19.9), β=-			
	cutting down or quitting		0.032 (-0.115 to 0.052),			
	substances and		p=0.461			
	obtaining treatment.		B vs. C: 16.3 (14.3 to 18.7)			
	(n=145)		vs. 17.9 (16.1 to 19.9), β=-			
	B. Computer-based		0.016 (-0.068 to 0.100),			
	brief intervention.		p=0.706			
	Following screening, 1					
	20 minute computer-					
	based, self-directed					
	intervention based on					
	MI to support the					
	importance of, and a					
	woman's confidence in,					
	cutting down or quitting					
	substances and					
	obtaining treatment. The					
	electronic sessions					
	featured an interactive,					
	3-dimensional, mobile					
	narrator that delivered					
	the intervention.					
	(n=143)					
	C. Usual care. Received					
	2 minute interaction					
	based on their ASSIST					
	score and told about					
	local treatments.					
	(n=151)					

	Intervention described and comparisons Ns	Drug use abstinence/frequency		Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Mason, 2017 ¹¹⁸	A. Peer Network Counseling: MI guided by 5 key MI clinical issues: rapport, acceptance, collaboration, reflections, and non- confrontation. (n=59)	A vs. B Cannabis use, days (0-7) Cohen's d effect size: 1.17 vs. 1.33 SD and p-value NR	NR	NR	NR
	B. Attention control (n=60)				

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McCambridge 2004 ¹⁰⁷	A. MI, single session	A vs. B		NR		NR
	adapted from work of	Retained at 12	3 months		Sold drugs to friends: 15% vs. 40%,	
McCambridge	Miller & Rollnick 1991	weeks: 92%	Frequency of cannabis use		OR 0.42, p=0.008	
2005 ³¹	and Rollnick 1992	(97/105) vs. 86%	(per week): 5.4 vs. 16.9		Sold drug to people who were not	
	(n=105)	(82/95)	(p<0.0001 for difference)		friends: 7% vs. 14%, OR 0.45,	
	B. Non-intervention		Discontinued cannabis use		p<0.1	
	education-as-usual		(self-report): 16% (16/97) vs.		Parent/family problems: B=0.25,	
	control (n=95)		5% (4/82); RR 3.38 (95% CI		p=0.039	
			1.18 to 9.72)		Interactional problems (college	
			Quantity consumed per week,		staff, peers, police, parents or	
			MD: -1/8 of an ounce;		family, local adults, partners,	
			p=0.031		others): B=0.57, p=0.045	
			Days without any cannabis			
			use, MD: -4 days per month;			
			p=0.008			
			First-time use of illicit drugs:			
			6% (6/97) vs. 9% (7/82)			
			Any stimulant use: 24% vs.			
			41% (no difference relative to			
			baseline use)			
			Other non-stimulant drug use:			
			11% vs. 27% (p NR for			
			difference relative to baseline $A_{1} = A_{2} = A_{1} = A_{2}$			
			use) A (n=84) vs. B (n=78), 12 months			
			Mean frequency of cannabis			
			use, times per week: 8.6 (SD			
			13.3) vs. 11.9 (SD 20.3),			
			p>0.01			
			Amount of cannabis			
			consumption, per week: 0.21			
			(SD 0.3) vs. 0.30 (SD 0.56),			
			p>0.01			
			Number of days abstinent,			
			per month: 17.8 (SD 10.3) vs.			
			13.7 (SD 11.7), p=0.02			
			Persons that ceased use of			
			marijuana: 16.7% (14/84) vs.			
			7.7% (6/78), p=0.08			
			Initiated heroin use during the			
			study period (excluded at			
			baseline): 2.6% (2/78) vs.			
			7.1% (5/70)			
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Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns	Retention in care	Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	- - -	Adverse events
McCambridge 2008 ¹⁰⁶	A. MI (n=164) B. Control, received drug information on harm reduction and advice (n=162)		p=0.174 Cannabis, mean 30-day frequency: 14.4 (SD 11.7) vs. 15.9 (SD 11.6) at 3 months, difference 0.53 (95% CI -1.23 to 2.29); 13.8 (SD 11.9) vs. 14.5 (SD 11.8) at 6 months, difference -0.28 (95% CI - 2.90 to 2.35), p=0.818	difference -0.61 (95% CI -1.35 to 0.12), p=0.093 Cannabis, mean problems score, Cannabis Problems Questionnaire: 5.0 (SD 4.1) vs. 5.3 (SD 4.3) at 3 months, difference 0.04 (95% CI - 0.61 to 0.70); 4.7 (SD 4.2) vs. 5.2 (SD 4.5) at 6 months, 0.23 (95% CI - 1.11 to 1.58), p=0.708	problems score, self attributed: 0.6 (1.1) vs. 0.8 (1.3), difference 0.12 (95% CI -0.21 to 0.45), p=0.431	NR

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Ondersma,	A. Computer-based	A vs. B	NR	NR	NR
2007 ⁵⁵	brief intervention: three	Any drug use, n(%): 26 (67.6)			
	components based on	vs. 31 (83.7), OR=2.48 (0.59			
	MI and brief intervention	to 10.42), p=NR, NS			
	principles: (1) feedback	Any cannabis use, n (%): 26			
conseq use that reported reported change as com	regarding the negative	(66.1) vs. 29 (78.0), OR=2.13			
	consequences of drug	(0.58 to 7.78), p=NR, NS			
	use that the participant	Any other (non-cannabis)			
	reported, as well as self-	drug use, n (%): 4 (9.9) vs. 8			
	reported readiness to	(21.3), OR=2.41 (0.66 to			
	change, and drug use	8.83), p=NR, NS			
	as compared to that of	Any drug use frequency:			
	all adult women; (2)	effect size=0.46 (0.15 to			
	pros and cons of drug	1.53), p=0.042			
	use and related change,	Cannabis use frequency			
	in which the participant	(Categorical responses where			
	chose from lists of	0=never, 1=once or twice,			
	positive and negative	2=monthly, 3=weekly, and			
	aspects of drug use	4=daily or almost daily), mean			
	from their perspective;	(SD): 1.91 (NR) vs. 2.08			
	and (3) a summary and	(NR), effect size=0.39 (0.01			
	query regarding the	to 0.97), p=0.202			
	participant's interest in	Other (non-cannabis) drug			
	change, followed by	use frequency (Categorical			
	optional goal-setting	responses where 0 = never,			
	regarding drug use	1=once or twice, 2=monthly,			
	(n=55)	3=weekly, and 4=daily or			
	B. None. Control group	almost daily), mean (SD):			
	received no intervention	0.11 (NR) vs. 0.34 (NR),			
	(n=52)	effect size= 0.40 (0.02 to			
	. ,	0.78), p=0.032			

	tervention described nd comparisons s	Drug use abstinence/frequency	 Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
2014 ⁵⁷ per cor ME GC ind the inv of I B. mir bas ver inte obs	Computer-based ersonalized feedback ombining CBT and ET (eCHECKUP TO O): 6 30-minute dividual behavioral erapy sessions that volved a combination MET and CBT (n=72) Attention control: 1 inute of brief advice ased on a manualized ersion of standard terventions offered by ostetrical doctors and urses (n=71)	A vs. B Abstinence (self-report and urine), 3 months: 26.4% (19/72) vs. 9.9% (7/71); RR 2.68 (95% CI 1.20 to 5.97); 6 months: 13.9% (10/72) vs. 9.9% (7/71); RR 1.41 (95% CI 0.57 to 3.49) Drug use days in the past 3 months, median: 31.6 vs. 77.2, Effect size=0.57, p=0.207	NR	None reported

Ondersma,	A. Computer-based	65.30%	A vs. B	NR	A vs. B	No serious
201856	brief intervention		Abstinence, drug use:		No difference in HIV Risk-taking	adverse
	focused on parenting		Any in past 3 months (self-		Behavior Scale scores at 3 months	events
	patterned after MI		report): 46.8% (118/252) vs.		or 6 months	
	principles and was		48.0% (119/248) at 3 months,	2		
	tailored to each		RR 0.98 (95% CI 0.81 to			
	participant. Participants		1.17); 52.0% (131/252) vs.			
	received a video-based		50.8% (126/248) at 6 months,	2		
	orientation ("The Parent		RR 1.02 (95% CI 0.86 to			
	Check-up"), tailored to		1.21)			
	their ethnic identity and		Any in past 3 months (urine):			
	religiosity. The video		55.2% (139/252) vs. 52.8%			
	touched on substance		(131/248) at 3 months and at			
l	use but did not focus on		6 months, RR 1.04 (95% CI			
	it exclusively.		0.89 to 1.23)			
	Participants received		Any in past 3 months (hair):			
	feedback and offered		21.8% (55/252) vs. 20.2%			
	the option of changing		(50/248) at 3 months, RR			
	in 1 of the 4 areas or		1.08 (95% CI 0.77 to 1.52);			
	ending The Parent		29.0% (73/252) vs. 27.8%			
	Check-up (n=252)		(69/248) at 6 months, RR			
	B. Attention control:		1.04 (95% CI 0.79 to 1.38)			
	Participants watched		Cannabis in past 3 months			
	educational videos		(self-report): 48.0% (121/252)			
	about infant nutrition		vs. 48.0% (119/248) at 3			
	from birth to age 1 (i.e.,		months, RR 1.00 (95% CI			
	breastfeeding, formula		0.83 to 1.20); 53.0%			
	feeding, when to		(134/252) vs. 52.8%			
	introduce solids) with no		(131/248) at 6 months, RR			
	mention of safety,		1.01 (95% CI 0.85 to 1.19)			
	emotional health, or		Cannabis in past 3 months			
	substance use (n=248)		(urine): 59.1% (149/252) vs.			
			56.0% (139/248) at 3 months,	2		
			RR 1.05 (95% CI 0.91 to			
			1.23); 59.1% (149/252) vs.			
			56.8% (141/248) at 6 months,	2		
			RR 1.04 (95% CI 0.90 to			
			1.21)			
			Cannabis in past 3 months			
			(hair): 42.9% (108/252) vs.			
			39.9% (99/248) at 3 months,			
			RR 1.07 (95% CI 0.87 to			
			1.32); 44.0% (111/252) vs.			
			41.1% (102/248) at 6 months,	.		

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		RR 1.07 (95% CI 0.87 to 1.31)			
Palfai, 2014 ⁵⁸	A. Computer-based personalized feedback (eCHECKUP TO GO) Following assessment, participants were provided with detailed personalized feedback about their cannabis use, including costs, norms, risks, consequences, and alternative activities. (n=54) B. Attention Control: Participants were provided minimal general health feedback regarding recommended guidelines for sleep, exercise, and nutrition (n=49)	A vs. B Cannabis use, days in past 90 days, mean (SD): 29.3 (29.70) vs. 37.1 (32.4), study reported between group difference: NR, p=NR, NS	A vs. B Cannabis-related consequences, (19 items from Marijuana Problem Scale with binary coding of 0 (not experienced) and 1 (experienced)), mean (SD): 2.12 (2.51) vs. 2.97 (1.72), β=0.66 (0.53), p>0.05		NR

	Intervention described					
Author, year	and comparisons		Drug use		Clinical health, social or legal	Adverse
Study		Retention in care	abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	outcomes	events
Poblete, 2017 ⁵⁹	A. Brief intervention	NR	NR	A vs. B	NR	NR
	based on FRAMES:			ASSIST, total score, mean (SD):		
	ASSIST-linked brief			28.1 (14.4) vs. 27.9 (15.0), MD=-		
	intervention for the			0.13 (-1.47 to 1.74), p=NR, NS		
	substance with the			ASSIST, cannabis score, mean		
	highest score, and the			(SD): 10.4 (5.4) vs. 9.8 (6.7), MD=-		
	ASSIST self-help guide,			.021 (-1.25 to 1.66), p=NR, NS		
	with additional			ASSIST, cocaine score, mean (SD):		
	information regarding			11.1 (9.2) vs. 10.3 (8.5), MD=-0.11 (-	
	substances and high-			3.69 to 3.48), p=NR, NS		
	risk situation					
	management. When 2					
	substances had the					
	same score, the					
	participant had the					
	choice to decide which					
	substance to receive					
	counseling for. The					
	intervention was based					
	on the FRAME model,					
	which provides specific					
	feedback, offers a menu					
	of options, and					
	enhances motivation to					
	change (n=400)					
	B. Usual care:					
	Participants received a					
	pamphlet of their own					
	choosing containing					
	broad information on					
	substance use risk and					
	harm (n=406)					

Intervention described		-		<u></u>	
 and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency		Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
		A vs. B	, ,	NR	NR
MI, 6 modules (n=119)	Completed	Frequency of cannabis use	SDS: 5.70 (SD 3.35) vs. 6.82 (SD		
B. Educational control, 6	followup: 54%	(days in past month): 12.05	3.31); p=0.01		
modules (n=111)	(64/119) vs. 52%	(SD 8.99) vs. 14.11 (SD	GAIN-dependence: 2.53 (SD 1.67)		
	(58/111)	8.79); p=0.02	vs. 3.10 (SD 1.67); p=0.047		
		Quantity (standard cannabis	GAIN-abuse: 1.24 (SD 1.03) vs. 1.56		
		units in past month): 36.65	(SD 1.24); p=0.01*		
		(SD 44.85) vs. 39.25 (SD	All analyses based on complier		
		39.21); p=0.16	average causal effect analyses; ITT		
		Abstinence (self-report)	analyses were consistent except for		
		12.4% (8/64) vs. 6.6% (4/58);	GAIN-abuse at 6 weeks, which was		
		p=0.06	NS in ITT analysis (p=0.05)		

	Intervention described					
Author, year	and comparisons		Drug use		Clinical health, social or legal	Adverse
Study	Ns	Retention in care	abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	outcomes	events
Roy-Byrne,	A. In-person	NR	A vs. B	A vs. B	A vs. B	NR
201460	personalized feedback		Drug use days (For the most		All-cause mortality: 2.3% (10/500)	
Krupski, 2012 ¹¹⁷	using a MI approach +		frequently used drug), mean	Severity of disorder (ASI -Drug) (For	vs. 1.6% (7/433), OR=1.42 (0.54 to	
	telephone booster		(95% CI): 11.5 (10.3 to 12.7)	the most frequently used drug),	3.78), p=0.48	
	session: brief (30		vs. 10.1 (9.0 to 11.3),	mean (95% CI): 0.1 (0.1 to 0.1) vs.	Consequences-medical (scale	
	minute) intervention in		OR=1.20 (0.96 to 1.50) (OR	0.1 (0.1 to 0.1), p=NS (value not	range 0-1), mean (SD): 0.54 (0.35)	
	which interventionists		calculated using negative	reported)	vs. 0.56 (0.36), β=-0.004 (-0.050 to	
	used a MI approach and		binomial regression models),	Drug treatment admissions	0.042), p=0.86	
	tailored the intervention		p=NS (value NR)	(Excluded detoxification services):	Consequences-psychiatric (scale	
	to allow for flexibility as			14.1% (60/426) vs. 13.5% (57/422),	range 0-1), mean (SD): 0.31 (0.26)	
	to which or how many			OR=1.16 (0.77 to 1.73), p=0.48	vs. 0.32 (0.26), β=0.004 (-0.026 to	
	drugs to target, as well				0.034), p=0.79	
	as in how to guide the				Inpatient hospitalizations: 24.9%	
	participant (e.g.,				(106/426) vs. 23.2% (98/422),	
	specialty treatment,				OR=1.09 (0.78 to 1.51), p=0.62	
	abstinence, harm				Emergency department visits:	
	reduction). The same				47.8% (204/426) vs. 46.9%	
	interventionist				(198/422), OR=1.04 (0.76 to 2.06),	
	attempted a follow-up				p=0.77	
	telephone booster				Outpatient visits: 94.4% (402/426)	
	session within 2 weeks				vs. 94.5% (399/422), OR=1.00	
	of the intervention				(0.53 to 1.88), p=0.99	
	(n=435)				Consequences- employment (scale	
	B. Enhanced usual				range 0-1), mean (SD): 0.78 (0.24)	
	care: participants				vs. 0.78 (0.24), β=0.006 (-0.016 to	
	received an illustrated				0.028), p=0.58	
	handout depicting their				Consequences- family/social (scale	
	DAST-10 drug problem				range 0-1), mean (SD): 0.11 (0.18)	
	severity score and list of substance abuse				vs. 0.13 (0.20), β=-0.020 (-0.046 to 0.006), p=0.14	
	resources. Resembled				Consequences- legal (scale range	
	the "notification and				0-1), mean (SD): 0.04 (0.10) vs.	
	referral" strategy that				$0.04 (0.12), \beta = 0.000 (-0.014 \text{ to})$	
	might be implemented				0.014), p=0.95	
	in high-quality usual				Felony or gross misdemeanor	
	care (n=433)				arrests (n (%)): 41 (9.6) vs. 37	
					(8.8), OR=1.21 (0.74 to 1.98),	
					(8.8), 00 = 1.21 (0.74 to 1.98), p=0.45	
					HIV Risk-taking Behavior Scale risk	
					factor ≥1: OR 0.90 (0.66 to 1.25)	

Saitz, 2014 ⁶¹	A. Brief negotiated	NR		Severity of disorder (ASSIST score)		NR
Fuster, 2016 ¹¹⁵	interview using some				A vs. C: 29% (49/169) vs. 33.7%	
Kim, 2016 ¹¹⁶	features of MI; 10- to		(SD):	indicate better outcomes, mean (SD)		
	15-minute structured		A vs. C: 14.2 (12.5) vs. 13.8		1.18)	
ASPIRE	interview (n=169)		(12.1), IRR=0.97 (0.77 to		B vs. C: 31.8% (55/173) vs. 33.7%	
	B. MI + telephone		1.22) (IRR calculated using	B vs. C: 25.9 (19.9) vs. 25.8 (19.4),	(59/175), RR 0.94 (95% CI 0.70 to	
	booster. Participants		5	p=0.50	1.27)	
	received 30 to 45		models), p=0.81	Consequences (0-45, measured with		
	minutes of MI with an		B vs. C: 14.1 (12.1) vs. 13.8	the Short Inventory of Problems;	(43/169) vs. 32.6% (57/175), RR	
	offered 20- to 30-minute		(12.1), IRR=1.05 (0.84 to		0.78 (95% CI 0.56 to 1.09)	
	booster followup		1.32) (IRR calculated using	outcome, mean [SD])	B vs. C: 30.8% (53/173) vs. 32.6%	
	session. (n=173)		0		(57/175), RR 0.94 (95% CI 0.69 to	
	C. Minimal. Participants		models), p=0.81	IRR=0.95 (0.71 to 1.26), p=0.71	1.28)	
	were given contact				Health-related QOL (0 to 100,	
	information for		the 30-day timeline	IRR=1.11 (0.83 to 1.47),	higher value indicates better	
	Alcoholics Anonymous,		followback, mean (SD):		outcome), A vs. C: 71.5 (19.4) vs.	
	Narcotics Anonymous,		A vs. C: 10.8 (12.0) vs. 9.1		72.1 (20.6), study-reported group	
	the hospital behavioral		(11.3), IRR=1.20 (0.86 to		difference=NR, p=NS (value NR), B	
	health clinic and		1.66) (IRR calculated using		vs. C: 68.5 (20.7) vs. 72.1 (20.6),	
	emergency team, a		negative binomial regression		study-reported group	
	state hotline, a city		models), p=0.31		difference=NR, p=NS (value NR)	
	triage line, and websites		B vs. C: 11.1 (12.2) vs. 9.1		Emergency department visit for	
	for alcohol and drug		(11.3), IRR=1.18 (0.86 to	p=0.02	addiction or mental health	
	screening. (n=175)		1.65) (IRR calculated using		A vs. C: 7.7% (13/169) vs. 9.7%	
			negative binomial regression		(17/175), OR=0.79 (95% CI 0.36 to	
			models), p=0.31		1.76), B vs. C: 6.4% (11/173) vs.	
			Any drug use (n (%))		9.7% (17/175), OR=0.63 (95% CI	
			Cocaine or opiates		0.27 to 1.44)	
			A vs. C: 150 (94.9) vs. 150		Hospitalization for addiction or	
			(91.5), OR=1.65 (0.65 to		mental health, A vs. C: 5.9%	
			4.21), p=0.57		(10/169) vs. 4.6% (8/175),	
			B vs. C: 152 (93.2) vs. 150		OR=0.95 (95% CI 0.29 to 3.09), B	
			(91.5), OR=1.29 (0.54 to		vs. C: 7.0% (12/173) vs. 4.6%	
			3.06), p=0.57		(8/175), OR=1.44 (95% CI 0.49 to	
			Abstinence, 6 months (hair		4.42)	
			testing), $(A + B)$ vs. C: 6.3%		Specialty treatment for addiction or	
			(19/303) vs. 9.2% (14/152)		mental health, A vs. C: 31.4%	
					(53/169) vs. 25.1% (44/175),	
					OR=1.41 (95% CI 0.83 to 2.39), B	
					vs. C: 29.5% (51/173) vs. 25.1%	
					(44/175), OR=0.98 (95% CI 0.57 to	
					1.68)	
					No difference between groups at 6	
					weeks or 6 months in rates of	
					unsafe sex	

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency		Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
	based on MI and CBT		A vs. B vs. C Cannabis use (days per		A vs. B vs. C Mental Health Inventory-5: 62.4	NR
Can Reduce	B. Self-help without	41% (41/101) vs. 41% (38/93)	week): 3.8 (SD 3.0) vs. 5.5 (SD 2.3) vs. 5.3 (SD 2.5) vs. 5.4; p=0.03 for A vs. C, p=0.87 for B vs. C Cannabis use (standardized cannabis joints): 10.9 (SD 13.8) vs. 14.2 (SD 13.3) vs. 20.7 (SD 23.7); p=0.06 for A vs. C, p=0.12 for B vs. C Abstinence (self-report): 8.8% (10/114)vs. 2.0% (2/101) vs. 4.3% (4/93); A vs. B, OR 0.21 (95% CI 0.02 to 2.33)	>8=cannabis use disorder): 12.6 (SD 8.4) vs. 13.0 (SD 7.4) vs. 16.0 (SD 7.2) SDS: 5.3 (SD 3.8) vs. 6.0 (SD 3.3) vs. 5.9 (SD 3.8)	(SD 19.8) vs. 63.4 (SD 20.4) vs. 64.6 (SD 18.3)	
Stein, 2009 ¹¹⁰	treatment resources	Completed 6 months treatment: 83% vs. 79%	A vs. B Change in cocaine days in	Any drug treatment: 17.5% (17/97) vs. 19.8% (20/101); p=0.68	SF-12 mental functioning and physical functioning components: No differences between groups (data not provided) Days employed: No difference (data not provided)	NR

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns		Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Stein, 2011 ⁶²	A. MI: Participants received 2 45-minute MI sessions spaced 1 month apart (n=163) B. Control: assessment only (n=169)		Likelihood of marijuana use, B vs. A: OR 1.28 (95% Cl 0.76 to 2.17)	A vs. B Cannabis-related consequences, 19 items from Marijuana Problem Scale with categorical responses of 0 (experiencing none), 1 (minor), or 2 (major), mean (SD): NR vs. NR, p=0.89		NR
Stephens, 2000 ³²	Support Group: combination CBT and	Participants still in study, 4-month followup: 81% (95/117) vs. 85% (75/88) vs. 92% (79/86)	(days): 6.68 (SD 9.87) vs. 7.88 (SD 10.98) vs. 17.09		NR	NR

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns	Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	Clinical health, social or legal outcomes	Adverse events
Stephens, 2007 ¹¹¹	 A. Personal feedback: therapist reviewed a personal feedback report with the participant (n=62) B. Attention control (multi-media feedback): a balanced presentation of the multiple points of view on the consequences associated with marijuana use; participants were invited to ask questions at any time but no feedback regarding the participant's use of marijuana was provided and therapists avoided using MI techniques (n=62) C. Delayed feedback: educational control condition that provided information about the latest research on marijuana delivered in an objective, stimulating, but largely didactic manner. (n=64) 	6 months: 4.90 (SD 2.04) vs. 5.22 (SD 1.82); p=NS Days of marijuana use/week, 12 months: 4.65 (SD 1.98) vs. 5.58 (SD 2.04); p<0.05	Dependence symptoms, 6 months (DSM-IV dependence symptoms, 0- 7): 2.59 (SD 1.64) vs. 3.26 (SD		NR

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Tait, 2015 ¹¹²	B. Waitlist (n=79)	Retention at 6 months: 47% (38/71) vs. 52% (41/79); p=NS	A vs. B Abstinence from amphetamine-type stimulants at 6 months (self-report): 13.2% (5/38) vs. 19.5% (8/41) Amphetamine-type stimulants score, mean: 13.8 (SD 9.6) vs. 12.8 (SD 11.1); p=0.65 for group x time Polydrug use, mean: 4.5 (SD 2.1) vs. 4.4 (SD 1.9); p=0.68 for group x time		A vs. B QOL (EUROHIS): 27.3 (SD 6.8) vs. 28.6 (SD 6.8); p=0.69 for group x time	NR

	Intervention described		_			
	and comparisons		Drug use		Clinical health, social or legal	Adverse
			abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	outcomes	events NR
	A. Health Checkup for		A vs. B Alcohol or cannabis	NR	A vs. B	NK
	Expectant Moms:				Condomless vaginal sex: 27% vs.	
	computerized program		abstinence, by hair sample:		5%; p=0.127	
in a MI-consistent style (Intervention addressed both sexually transmitted		77.4% (24/31) vs. 57.9%				
		(11/19); RR 1.34 (95% Cl				
		0.87 to 2.05)				
	infection/HIV and					
		ohol/drug risk). rticipants interacted				
	with a computer and					
	were guided by an animated narrator,					
	which engages in a MI-					
	consistent style, can					
	use emotionally					
	expressive statements					
	and empathic reflection.					
	Participants also					
	received brochures					
	specifically designed to					
	facilitate health risk					
	behaviors during					
	pregnancy (n=31)					
	B. Attention control:					
	participants interacted					
	with the computer and					
	were guided by the					
	same narrator used for					
	intervention group					
	participants.					
	Participants also					
	received brochures					
	specifically designed to					
	facilitate health risk					
	behaviors during					
	pregnancy (n=19)					

Author, year Study	Intervention described and comparisons Ns	Retention in care	Drug use abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	outcomes	Adverse events
Walton, 2013 ⁶⁴ Project Chill	A. In-person personalized feedback using MI (The intervention, delivered by a therapist and facilitated by a computer, incorporated MI, including tailored, parallel content. The therapist used an elicit- provide-elicit framework when reviewing tailored feedback, using summaries and open- ended questions to evoke change talk (n=118) B. Computer-based personalized feedback (n=100) C. Usual care (n=110)		3 days per month, 4=1–2 days per week, 5=3–5 days per week, and 6=every day or almost every day), mean (SD): A vs. C: 2.63 (2.20) vs. 2.14 (2.21), MD 0.15 (SE 0.14), p=0.28 B vs. C: 2.04 (2.20) vs. 2.14	28; Included 23 items from the adapted version of the Rutgers Alcohol Problems Index (Marijuana Problem Inventory) and 5 items from the SDS where endorsement of an item=1 and no endorsement=0. Low value indicates better outcome), mean (SD): A vs. C: 11.1 (13.0) vs. 11.5 (14.4), MD -0.07 (0.15), p=0.62 B vs. C: 12.7 (13.8) vs. 11.5 (14.4), MD 0.08 (0.17), p=0.62	(0=never, 1=1-2 times, 2=3-5 times, 3=6-9 times, 5=10 or more times), mean (SD): A vs. C: 0.33 (0.90) vs. 0.25 (0.85), MD -0.32 (0.41), p=0.44	NR

	Intervention described					
Author, year	and comparisons		Drug use		Clinical health, social or legal	Adverse
	Ns	Retention in care	abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	outcomes	events
Natkins, 201765	A. Collaborative care:	93% met with care	A vs. B	A vs. B	A vs. B	NR
	the intervention included	coordinator;	Opioid or alcohol abstinence:	Consequences, scale range 0-15 as		
SUMMIT	a population-based		32.8% (45/138) vs. 22.3%	measured with the Short Inventory of		
	management approach,		(27/123) effect size=0.10	Problems; higher score indicates	Emergency department visit or	
	measurement-based				hospital stay: 19.6% (27/138) vs.	
	care, and integration of		any alcohol, cocaine,	(5.5), effect size=1.55 (-0.21 to	22.8% (28/123), RR 0.87 (95% Cl	
	addiction expertise			3.31), p=0.08	0.55 to 1.39)	
	through a RAND-based				QOL, mental health component (as	
	clinical psychologist		(36/138) vs. 15.6% (19/123),	without co-occurring alcohol or	measured by SF-12), mean (SD):	
	affiliated with the MI		effect size=0.13 (0.03 to		41.0 (12.4) vs. 40.8 (12.2), effect	
	Network of Trainers			dependence: 24.6% (34/138) vs.	size=-1.61 (-5.61 to 2.39), p=0.43	
	(n=138)			29.3% (36/123), RR 0.84 (95% Cl	QOL, physical health component	
	B. Usual care:		(122/138) vs. 79.9% (98/123),		(as measured by SF-12), mean	
	participants were told by		effect size=0.07 (-0.07 to	Prescription opioid use or	(SD): 48.1 (11.5) vs. 46.7 (10.8),	
	the research team that		0.22), p=0.33	dependence with or without co-	effect size=1.49 (-2.05 to 5.03),	
	the clinic provided			3 • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	p=0.41	
	opioid and/or alcohol		(129/138) vs. 89.4%	opioid/heroin abuse or dependence:		
	use disorder treatment		(110/123), study-reported	18.1% (25/138) vs. 13.8% (17/123),		
	and given a number for		between group	RR 1.31 (95% CI 0.74 to 2.31)		
	appointment scheduling		difference=NR, p=NR			
	and list of community		Prescription opioid			
	referrals. They did not		abstinence: 89.9% (124/138)			
	receive any additional outreach or contact		vs. 93.5% (115/123), study-			
	(n=123)		reported between group difference=NR, p=NR			
	(1=123)		Cocaine abstinence: 87.0%			
			(120/138) vs. 88.6%			
			(120/133) vs. 88.0 % (109/123), study-reported			
			between group			
			difference=NR, p=NR			
			Methamphetamine			
			abstinence: 90.6% (125/138)			
			vs. 81.3% (100/123), study-			
			reported between group			
			difference=NR, p=NR			

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Woolard, 201366		NR	A vs. B Alcohol and cannabis conjoint use in past 30 days, mean (95% CI): 1.3 (0.8 to 1.5) vs. 2.2 (1.6 to 2.9), study- reported between group difference=NR, p=0.02 Cannabis use in past 30	A vs. B Negative consequences, total: 2.5 (SD 2.4) vs. 2.8 (SD 2.2) at 3 months, 2.1 (SD 2.2) vs. 2.3 (SD 2.2) at 12 months, p=NS (value NR) Negative consequences, marijuana: 1.4 (SD 1.7) vs. 1.3 (SD 1.6) at 3 months, 1.0 (SD 1.61) vs. 0.97 (SD 1.4) at 12 months, p=NS (value NR)	A vs. B Cannabis-related injuries: 1.7 vs. 1.5, study-reported between group difference=NR, p=NS (value NR)	NR

	Intervention described					
Author, year	and comparisons		Drug use		Clinical health, social or legal	Adverse
Study	Ns	Retention in care	abstinence/frequency	Drug use severity	outcomes	events
′onkers, 201267	A. MET-CBT: MET,		A vs. B	NR	NR	NR
	functional analysis, safe		% of days using drugs, mean			
	sexual behavior,		(SD): 21 (32.8) vs. 22 (34.4)			
	communication skills,		Abstinence from alcohol and			
	relapse prevention and		drugs (self-report and urine):			
	problem solving skills.		32.8% (21/64) vs. 34.4%			
	Research nurse		(22/64)			
	therapists had the		Abstinence from drugs			
	flexibility to		(urine): 59.4% (38/64) vs.			
	offeradditional sessions		51.6% (33/64)			
	or repeat topics if there		Abstinence from alcohol and			
	was time and need		drugs (self-report): 40.8%			
	(n=92)		(29/64) vs. 37.5% (27/64)			
	B. Brief advice: a					
	manualized version of					
	standard interventions					
	offered by					
	obstetricaldoctors and					
	nurses (n=91)					
ahradnik,	A. MI: Participants		A vs. B	NR		NR
009 ⁶⁸ Otto, 009 ¹¹⁹	received 2 MI sessions.		Prescription drug abstinence		Mortality: 1.8% (1/56) vs. 0% (0/70)	
	The first 30-45 minute		(based on hair sample), 3			
	session took place in the hospital; the second		months: 17.9% (10/56) vs. 8.6% (6/70); RR 2.08 (95% Cl			
	session, 4 weeks later,		0.81 to 5.38); 12 months:			
	was conducted by		25% (14/56) vs. 20% (14/70);			
	phone. The intervention		RR 1.25 (95% CI 0.65 to			
	was based on the		2.40)			
	Transtheoretical Model		2.10)			
	of behavior change.					
	Participants received an					
	individualized feedback					
	letter 8 weeks after the					
	first intervention. which					
	was sent to study					
	participants 8 weeks					
	after the first					
	intervention (n=56)					
	B. Usual care:					
	informational booklet					
	about prescription drugs					
	(n=70)					

Abbreviations: ASI = Addiction Severity Index; ASPIRE = The Assessing Screening Plus Brief Intervention's Resulting Efficacy to Stop Drug Use study; ASSIST = Alcohol, Smoking and Substance Involvement Screening Test; CAHL = Project Cannabis Assistance Help Line; CBT = cognitive behavioral therapy; CI = confidence interval; DAST-10 = Drug Abuse Screening Test; DSM-IV = Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition; DUI = driving under the influence; EUROHIS = EUROHIS quality of life 8-item index; FRAME = Feedback, Responsibility, Advice, Menu Options, Empathy, and Self-Efficacy; GAIN = Global Appraisal of Individual Needs; GHQ-28 = 28-item General Health Questionnaire; IRR = incidence rate ratio; ITT = intention to treat; MD = mean difference; MET = motivational enhancement therapy; MI = motivational interviewing; MOTI-4 = brief motivational enhancement intervention designed for young vulnerable non-treatment-seeking cannabis users; NR = not reported; NS = not significant; OASIS = Overall Anxiety Severity and Impairment Scale; OR = odds ratio; OTI = Opioid Treatment Index; QOL = quality of life; QUIT = Quit Using Drugs Intervention Trial; RAND = RAND (Research and Development) Corporation; RR = risk ratio; SD = standard deviation; SDS = Severity of Dependence Scale; SE = standard error; SF-12 = 12-Item Short Form Health Survey; SMART-ED = Screening, Motivational Assessment, Referral and Treatment in Emergency Departments; SMD = standard mean difference; SUMMIT = Substance Use Motivation and Medication Integrated Treatment study.

Author, year	Valid random assignment/ random sequence generation methods	Allocation concealment	Balance in baseline characteristics	Fidelity to intervention protocol	Low risk of contamination between groups	Participants analyzed as originally allocated	No, or minimal, post- randomization exclusions	Outcome data reasonably complete and comparable between groups
Babor, 2004 ²⁹	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Baker, 2001a ⁸⁷ Baker, 2001b ⁸⁸	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Baker, 2005 ⁸⁹	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bernstein, 2005 ⁴	Yes	Yes	No, and no adjustments	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Bernstein, 200944	Yes	Yes	No, but accounted for	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Blow, 2017 ⁴⁵ Bonar, 2018 ⁹⁰	Yes	NR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Bogenschutz, 2014 ⁴⁶ Bogenschutz, 2011 ¹¹⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Copeland, 2001a ³⁽ Copeland, 2001b ⁹¹		Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
D'Amico, 201843	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
de Dios, 2012 ⁹²	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
de Gee, 2014 ⁹³	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Dembo, 2016 ⁹⁴	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes, likely	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear
Dupont, 2016 ⁹⁵	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Fischer, 2012 ⁹⁷ Fischer, 2013 ⁹⁶	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gates, 2012 ⁹⁸	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No; 11 participants excluded post- randomization	Yes
Gelberg, 2015 ⁴⁷ Baumeister, 2014 ¹¹³	Yes	NR	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Gelberg, 201748	Yes	NR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Gryczynski, 2016 ⁴⁹	Yes	Yes	No; not ASSIST global drug score	NR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Humeniuk, 2012 ⁵⁰	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jones, 2005 ⁹⁹	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lee, 2010 ⁵²	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear
Lee, 2013 ⁵¹	Yes	Unclear	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Litt, 2005 ¹⁰²	Yes; urn	Yes; central	No; not Addiction Severity Index or Beck Depression Inventory	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Litt, 2008 ¹⁰⁰ Kadden, 2007 ¹²⁰	Yes; urn	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Litt, 2013 ¹⁰¹	Yes; urn	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Lozano, 2006 ¹⁰³	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes; 6/291 excluded post- randomization	Yes
Marsden, 2006 ¹⁰⁴	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Martin, 2008 ¹⁰⁵	Yes	Yes	No, treatment group reported more days of cannabis use in the past 90 than control group, p<0.019	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Martino, 201853	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Mason, 2015 ⁵⁴ Mason, 2017 ¹¹⁸	Yes	Unclear	No, but accounted for in analysis	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes
McCambridge, 2004 ¹⁰⁷ McCambridge, 2005 ³¹	Unclear	Yes	No; not dependence on illegal drugs, interactional problems with friends and family, and others	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
McCambridge, 2008 ¹⁰⁶	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ondersma, 200755	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ondersma, 201457	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Ondersma, 201856	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Palfai, 201458	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear
	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
	No; drawing 1 of 2 tokens from a box	Unclear	Yes	No; nearly half lost	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Roy-Byrne, 2014 ⁶⁰ Krupski, 2012 ¹¹⁷		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Saitz, 2014 ⁶¹ Fuster, 2016 ¹¹⁵ Kim, 2016 ¹¹⁶	Yes	Unclear	No, but accounted for in analysis	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

	3	Allocation concealment	Balance in baseline characteristics	Fidelity to intervention protocol	Low risk of contamination between groups	Participants analyzed as originally allocated	No, or minimal, post- randomization exclusions	Outcome data reasonably complete and comparable between groups
Schaub, 2015 ¹⁰⁹	Yes	Unclear	Yes	No; ~25% of the "chat" group received chat	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Stein, 2009 ¹¹⁰	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stein, 201162	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stephens, 2000 ³²	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Stephens, 2007 ¹¹¹	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tait, 2015 ¹¹²	Yes; centralized	Yes	Yes; except for actual help seeking	No; about half lost	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tzilos Wernette, 2018 ⁶³	Yes; computer	Unclear	No, but accounted for in analysis	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Walton, 201364	Yes; computer	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Watkins, 2017 ⁶⁵	Yes; random number generator	Yes	No, but accounted for in analysis	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes (some data imputed)
Woolard, 201366	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes
Yonkers, 201267	Yes; computer	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Zahradnik, 2009 ⁶⁸ Otto, 2009 ¹¹⁹	Unclear	Unclear	No, and not adjusted	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

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Author, year	Time point and follow-up	Reasons for missing data similar across groups	Missing data unlikely to bias results	Blinding of outcome assessors	Outcomes measured using consistent and appropriate procedures and instruments across treatment groups	No evidence of biased use of inferential statistics	No evidence that measures, analyses, or subgroup analyses selectively reported	Quality Rating
Babor, 2004 ²⁹	4 months; 92.9% (415/450)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Baker, 2001a ⁸⁷ Baker, 2001b ⁸⁸	6 months; 71.4% (153/214)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Fair
Baker, 2005 ⁸⁹	6 months; 82.2% (60/73)	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Fair
Bernstein, 2005 ⁴	12 months 73.4% (102/139)	Unclear	Yes: adequate handling	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
	6 months: 81.9% (962/1175) 66.2% (778/1175) with data for analysis (based on confirmation of use)	Unclear	Yes: adequate handling	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Blow, 2017 ⁴⁵ Bonar, 2018 ⁹⁰	12 months: 87% (679/870)	Yes	Yes: adequate handling	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Bogenschutz, 2014 ⁴⁶ Bogenschutz, 2011 ¹¹⁴	12 months Total: 81.2% (1043/1285) IG1: 79.2% IG2: 81.4% CG: 82.8%	Yes	Yes: adequate handling	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Copeland, 2001a ³⁰ Copeland, 2001b ⁹¹	6 months; 74.2% (170/229)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
D'Amico, 201843	12 months: 80%	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
de Dios, 2012 ⁹²	3 months; 73.5% (25/34)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
de Gee, 2014 ⁹³	3 months; 82.4% (98/119)	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Dembo, 2016 ⁹⁴	72%. 18 months	Unclear	Unclear	Unclear	Yes	Unclear - used modeling	Yes	Fair
Dupont, 2016 ⁹⁵	83% and 73% 6 months	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Fischer, 2012 ⁹⁷ Fischer, 2013 ⁹⁶	12 months; 53.7% (72/134)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair

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Gates, 201298	4 weeks: 79% (54/68) vs. 89% (72/81)	No; more non- contactable participants in intervention group	Unclear	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Gelberg, 2015 ⁴⁷ Baumeister, 2014 ¹¹³	3 months: Total: 78.1% (261/334) IG: 75.4% (129/171) CG: 83.4% (136/163)	Yes	handling	Not applicable: no assessment staff involved	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Gelberg, 2017 ⁴⁸	3 months Total: 78.5% (51/65) IG: 71.9% (23/32) CG: 84.8% (28/33)	Unclear	handling	Not applicable: no assessment staff involved	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Gryczynski, 2016 ⁴⁹	3 months: 89% 6 months: 84%	Yes	Yes	NR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Humeniuk, 2012 ⁵⁰	3 months: 87% vs. 86%	Unclear	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Jones, 2005 ⁹⁹	26 weeks: not reported	Unclear	No; high and differential attrition	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Lee, 2010 ⁵²	3 months: 95% 6 months: 94%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Lee, 2013 ⁵¹	3 months: 85% 6 months: 83%	Unclear	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Litt, 2005 ¹⁰²	4 months: 89% 9 months: 87% 15 months: 83%	Unclear	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Litt, 2008 ¹⁰⁰ Kadden, 2007 ¹²⁰	9 weeks: 94% (59/63) vs. 90% (55/61) vs. 93% (50/54) vs. 87% (54/62)	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Litt, 2013 ¹⁰¹	9 weeks: 86% (61/71) vs. 82% (60/73) vs. 86% (61/71)	Yes	Yes; low attrition	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Lozano, 2006 ¹⁰³	16 weeks: 86%	Unclear	Unclear	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Marsden, 2006 ¹⁰⁴	87% and 88% 6 months	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good

Author, year	Time point and follow-up	Reasons for missing data similar across groups	Missing data unlikely to bias results		Outcomes measured using consistent and appropriate procedures and instruments across treatment groups	No evidence of biased use of inferential statistics	No evidence that measures, analyses, or subgroup analyses selectively reported	Quality Rating
Martin, 2008 ¹⁰⁵	80% and 80% 3 months	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Martino, 2018 ⁵³	3 months: 97% vs. 97% vs. 96% 6 months: 89% vs. 89% vs. 86%	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Mason, 2015 ⁵⁴ Mason, 2017 ¹¹⁸	6 months: 97% vs. 100%	Yes		Not applicable: no assessment staff involved	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
McCambridge, 2004 ¹⁰⁷ McCambridge, 2005 ³¹	12 weeks: 92% (97/105) vs. 86% (82/95)	Unclear	Yes; low attrition	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
McCambridge, 2008 ¹⁰⁶	80% and 81% 6 months	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Ondersma, 2007 ⁵⁵	6 months; 69%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Ondersma, 2014 ⁵⁷	6 months; 66%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Ondersma, 2018 ⁵⁶	6 months; 65%	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Palfai, 2014 ⁵⁸	6 months: 83.7% (103/123) (IG and CG NR, but says no differences)	Unclear	handling	NA: no assessment staff involved	Yes	No, but within- group statistics are available	Unclear	Fair
Poblete, 2017 ⁵⁹	3 months Total: 61.7% (497/806) IG: 64.8% (259/400) CG: 58.6% (238/406)	Unclear	Yes: adequate handling	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Rooke, 2013 ¹⁰⁸	12 weeks: 54% (64/119) vs. 52% (58/111)	Unclear	No; high attrition	NA; automated outcome collection	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Roy-Byrne, 2014 ⁶⁰ Krupski, 2012 ¹¹⁷	6 months: 88.4% 12 months: 89.5% (777/89.5) (IG: 88.5%, CG: 90.5%)	No	Yes: good handling/low attrition	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good

Author, year	Time point and	Reasons for missing data similar across groups	unlikely to bias	Blinding of outcome assessors	Outcomes measured using consistent and appropriate procedures and instruments across treatment groups	No evidence of biased use of inferential statistics	No evidence that measures, analyses, or subgroup analyses selectively reported	Quality Rating
	(517/528) (IG1: 97.1%, IG2: 97.7%, CG: 98.9%)	Yes	Yes: good handling/low attrition	NR	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Schaub, 2015 ¹⁰⁹	Attended followup: 33% (38/114) vs. 41% (41/101) vs. 41% (38/93)	Yes	Unclear	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Stein, 2009 ¹¹⁰	Completed 6 months treatment: 83% vs. 79%	Unclear	Yes; low attrition	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Stein, 2011 ⁶²	6 months; 78.9% (262/332)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	Fair
Stephens, 2000 ³²	4 months; 85.6% (249/291)	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Stephens, 2007 ¹¹¹	12 months; 80.6% (groups A and B only; 100/124)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Good
Tait, 2015 ¹¹²	6 months: 47% (38/71) vs. 52% (41/79)	Unclear	Unclear	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Tzilos Wernette, 2018 ⁶³	A /	Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Walton, 2013 ⁶⁴	1 year; 77% (77/100) vs. 88% (104/118)	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Watkins, 2017 ⁶⁵		Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Woolard, 201366		Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Yonkers, 201267		Yes	Yes	Unclear	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair
Zahradnik, 2009 ⁶⁸ Otto, 2009 ¹¹⁹		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Fair

Abbreviations: ASSIST = Alcohol, Smoking, and Substance Involvement Screening Test; CG = control group; IG = intervention group.

Abbreviation	Full name of outcome measure	Scale	Direction
ADI	Adolescent Diagnostic Interview	Varies according to subscale/domain	Higher score=worse outcomes
ARI	AIDS Risk Inventory	Varies according to subscale/domain	Lower score=lower risk of acquiring AIDS
ASI	Addiction Severity Index	0 to 9	Lower score=better outcomes
ASSIST	Alcohol, Smoking, and Substance Involvement Screening Test	0-39 for individual drug categories and alcohol; total score range 0-414	Higher score=higher risk of problematic drug use
BDI	Beck Depression Inventory	0 to 63	Higher score=more severe depressive symptoms
BPRS	Brief Psychiatric Rating Scale	0 to 126	Higher score=more severe psychiatric condition
CGI	Clinical Global Impressions	1 to 7	Higher score=more severe illness
cows	Clinical Opiate Withdrawal Scale	Varies according to subscale/domain	Higher score=more severe symptoms
CPQ	Cannabis Problems Questionnaire	0 to 22	Higher score=more problems
CUDIT	Cannabis Use Disorders Identification Test	0 to 40	Higher score=more severe cannabis use disorder
CUPIT	Cannabis Use Problems Identification Test	0 to 58 and 0 to 24	Higher score=more problems and/or less control over cannabis use
DSM-IV CPS	Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders, Fourth Edition, Compendium of Pharmaceuticals and Specialties	0 to 11	Higher score=worse mental disorder
EUROHIS	EUROHIS-QOL 8-item index	0 to 40	Higher score=better quality of life
GAIN	Global Appraisal of Individual Needs	Varies according to subscale/domain	Higher score=greater need for referral
GHQ-28	28-Item General Health Questionnaire	0 to 84	Lower score=better health
HRQOL	Health-Related Quality of Life	0 to 100	Higher score=better outcome
MAP	Maudsley Addiction Profile	0 to 240	Higher score=greater addiction severity
MDS	Marijuana Dependence Scale	0 to 9	Higher score=greater dependence on marijuana
MHI-5	Mental Health Inventory-5	0 to 100	Lower score=greater emotional functioning
MMPI	Minnesota Multifactoral Personality Inventory	Varies according to subscale/domain	Higher score=worse depression
MPS	Marijuana Problem Scale	0 to 38	Higher score=more cannabis use consequences
NIP	Noteworthy Index of Problems	0 to 19	Higher score=greater frequency of drug or alcohol use events
OASIS	Overall Anxiety Severity and Impairment Scale	0 to 20	Higher score=more severe anxiety severity and impairment
ΟΤΙ	Opioid Treatment Index	Varies according to subscale/domain	Higher score=greater dysfunction
RAPI	Rutgers Alcohol Problems Index	0 to 69	Higher score=more instances of negative problems related to alcohol drinking in the past year
RMPI	Rutgers Marijuana Problem Index	Varies according to subscale/domain	Higher score=more instances of negative consequences related to drug use experienced in the last 3 months

Appendix C1. Outcome Measures and Scoring

Abbreviation	Full name of outcome measure	Scale	Direction
SCL-5	Symptom Checklist-5	0 to 4	Higher score=worse anxiety and depression
SDS	Severity of Dependence Scale	0 to 15	Higher score=higher level of dependence
SF-12	12-Item Short Form Health Survey	0 to 100	Higher score=better health
SIP-R	Short Inventory of Problems	0 to 45	Higher score=worse outcome
SOWS	Subjective Opiate Withdrawal Scale	0 to 4	Higher score=more severe symptoms
SSAI	Spielberger State-Anxiety Inventory	20 to 80	Higher score=greater anxiety
STAI	State-Trait Anxiety Inventory	0 to 160	Higher score=greater anxiety
TSLS	Temporal Satisfaction with Life Scale	0 to 7	Higher score =worse overall life satisfaction
VAS	Visual Analog Scale	0 to 10	Lower score=greater subjective wellbeing
YSR	Youth Self-Report	0 to 62 and 0 to 64	Higher score=more problems and/or fewer social competencies