

Example of low dose initiation using films or tabs (Adapted from Becker, W. C., Frank, J. W., & Edens, E. L. (2020). Switching From High-Dose, Long-Term Opioids to Buprenorphine: A Case Series. *Annals of Internal Medicine*, 173(1), 70-71. doi:10.7326/L19-0725)

Day	Buprenorphine/naloxone (buprenorphine component listed)	*** Full agonist
1 ***	Quarter film (0.5mg) twice a day	Full dose
2 ***	Half film (1 mg) twice a day	Full dose
3 ***	Half film (1mg) three times a day)	Full dose
4 ***	1 film (2mg) three times a day	*** 2/3 dose
5 ***	2 films (4mg) three times a day	none
6 ***and onward	We will talk about adjusting your buprenorphine dose further	none