

ALCOHOL

Alcohol use with opioids can be deadly. Buprenorphine and Naloxone (the active ingredients in Suboxone and Subutex) are both opioids and there is a risk of impaired motor/sensory function and fatal respiratory depression when they are combined with alcohol. Using alcohol with Suboxone or Subutex can be dangerous or fatal.

If you decide to drink while using buprenorphine, you must **DO ALL** of the following:

1. Stop the buprenorphine **at least 24 hours before** you start drinking any alcohol, AND...
2. **Do Not** use buprenorphine while you drink, AND...
3. Once you have stoped drinking alcohol, then wait **another 24 hours before** you restart your Suboxone or Subutex.