



Organization against Drugs (OKANA) is a Governmental Organization established in Greece in 1995. OKANA is authorised to manage methadone and buprenorphine maintenance treatment programs. Methadone maintenance treatment is provided in the cities of Athens and Thessaloniki, while buprenorphine treatment is provided in several towns, all over Greece.

If an international patient (drug addict) must continue his/her treatment, he/she has to complete and sign the attached application form and subsequently submit it along with the two following official documents to "Organization against Drugs (O.KA.NA.), 21 Averof Str, 10433, Athens Greece" with the indication "International Patient" written on the envelope. Alternatively, he/she can email them to [okana\\_programs@okana.gr](mailto:okana_programs@okana.gr).

1. Identification document:
  - A photocopy of the **identity card** for European Union citizens.
  - A photocopy of the **passport** for citizens outside European Union.
2. A **medical certificate** from the prescribing doctor or the clinic, including information such as the duration of therapy attendance, current medication for any health condition or issue, the daily substitute dosage or any supplementary information according to the doctor's judgment.

**SOS- The medical certificate must:**

- ✓ be submitted either in a master copy, or in an authenticated hard copy.
- ✓ be updated by the health authority (public or private) of the patient's residence or by the Greek embassy or by the consulate (CONVENTION DE LA HAYE/APOSTILLE).
- ✓ If the international patient (drug addict) is already in Greece, he/she has to visit his/her country's embassy or consulate in order to certificate the medical document given by his/her doctor.

\* If the International Patient (drug addict) desires to request an extended stay in the maintenance treatment program that he/she already attends in Greece, he/she must complete a new application form.

\* No formal translation is needed if the medical certificate is in English.

\* If any of the above mentioned documents is/are not included in the envelope, your request will not be examined.

\* All the documents will be examined within 3 days after the submission. In a few days, the International Patient (drug addict) will be given all the necessary information about the maintenance treatment program he can attend.