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# Effective Substance Use Treatment: From Stigma to Tipping Point



CareOregon Pharmacy



# Today's Agenda

Public Health Overview – 8:00 am

MAT Value – 8:45 am

**Break 9:30 am**

Medication Supported Recovery – 9:45 am

On the Front Lines – 10:30 am

**Break 10:45 am**

Successful Implementation – 11:00 am

Panel Q&A – 11:20 am

Summary and Next Steps 11:40 am

# Learning Objectives

- Gain an understanding of the science and use of medications as best-practice for the treatment of opioid and alcohol use disorders
- Distinguish the barriers and myths about recovery treatment from evidence and effective treatment
- Understand the guidelines for effectively navigating high-risk patient referrals with a special focus on coordination between behavioral health and primary care
- Plan next steps to support further implementation and improved access of MAT in our network

# Poll Everywhere Instructions



## Registration:

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# Opioid Misuse in Portland Metro – Causes and Consequences

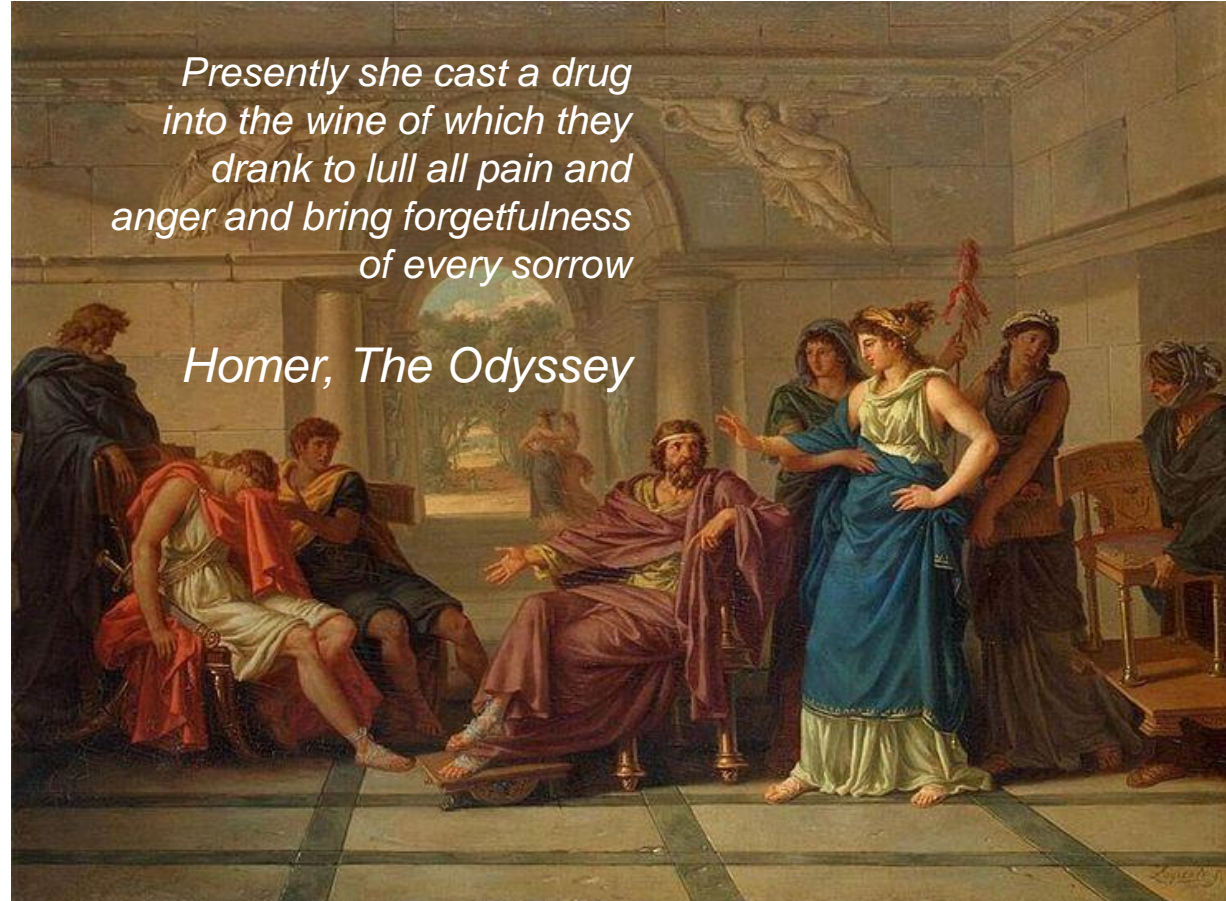
Paul Lewis, MD, MPH  
Multnomah County Health Officer



# Substance Misuse – A Few Things to Ponder

- Racial inequity in drug policy
- Many substances are misused, especially alcohol
- Biologic and social risks are common to all substance misuse
- Housing and mental illness have a complex relationship with substance misuse

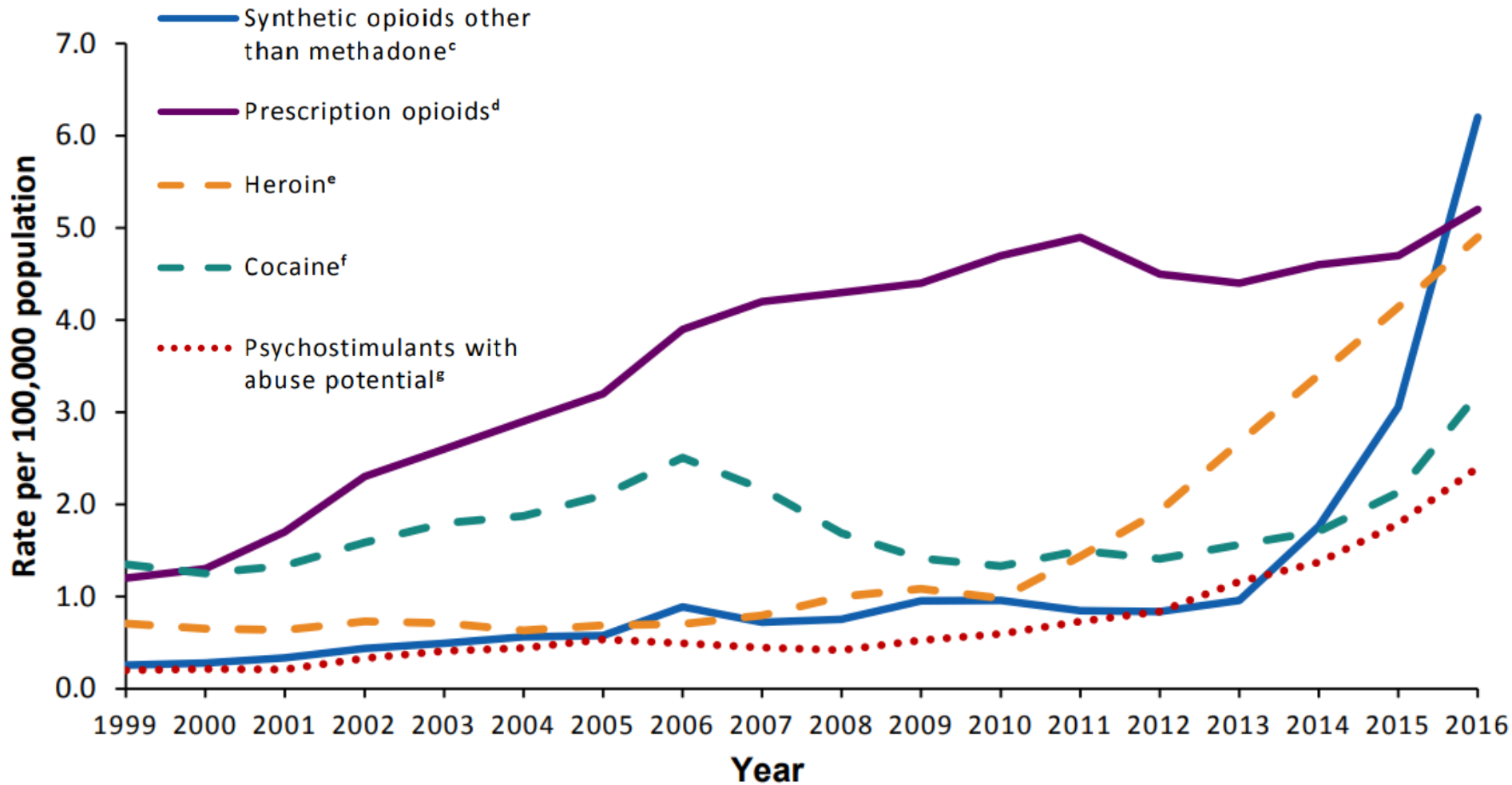




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into the wine of which they  
drank to lull all pain and  
anger and bring forgetfulness  
of every sorrow*

*Homer, The Odyssey*

# Age-adjusted rates of drug overdose deaths 1999-2016



CDC Annual Report of Drug-Related Risks and Outcomes United States 2018

# Opioid Crisis

## Causes

- Abundant, cheap opioids
- Human susceptibility
- A small overdose can kill
- Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) is a chronic, relapsing disease
- Poverty, inequality, hopelessness, genetics and adverse childhood experiences (ACEs) underlie OUD





## Black Tar Heroin

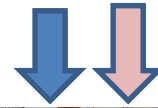
\$100/balloon or ~ \$10 per dose



Chemists and Pharma



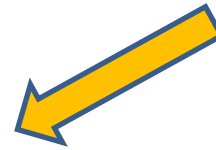
30% of world production



Oxycontin  
Percocet  
Vicodin  
Others

Pain Pills

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Fentanyl and analogs  
Powder or (mostly) counterfeit pills

\$40/gram or ~\$4/dose





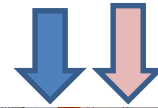
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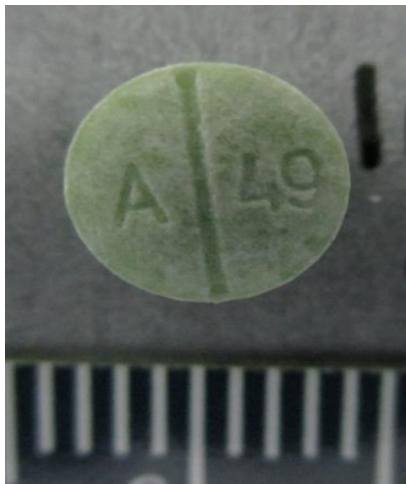


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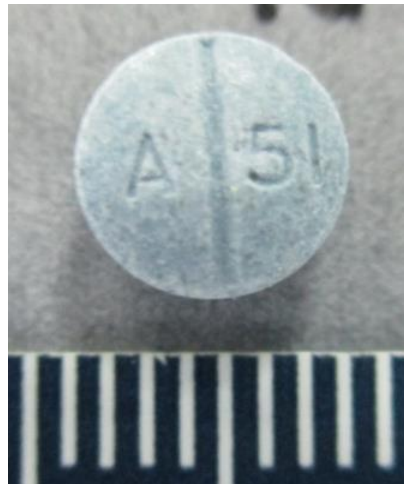
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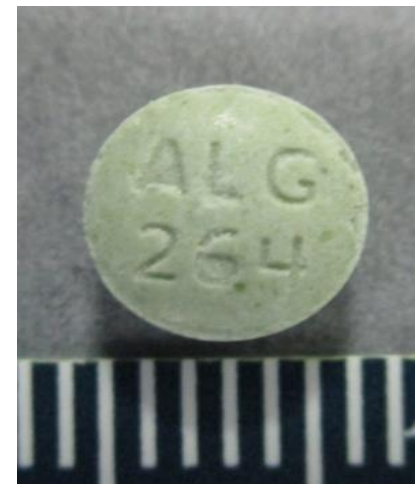
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Alprazolam  
U-47700



Heroin  
Oxycodone  
Furanyl Fentanyl



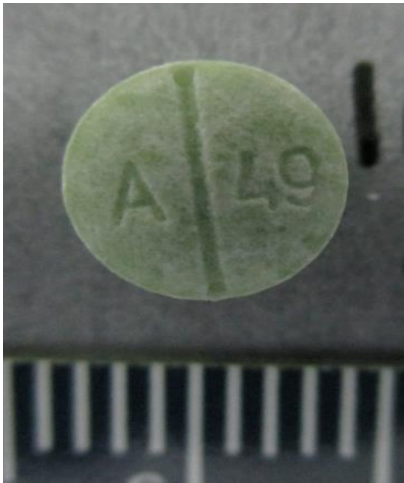
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All 3 tablets are MTC: Oxycodone

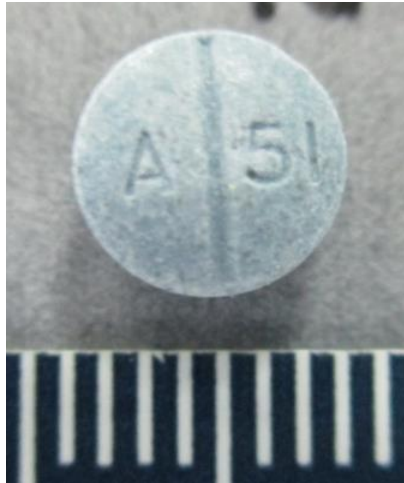


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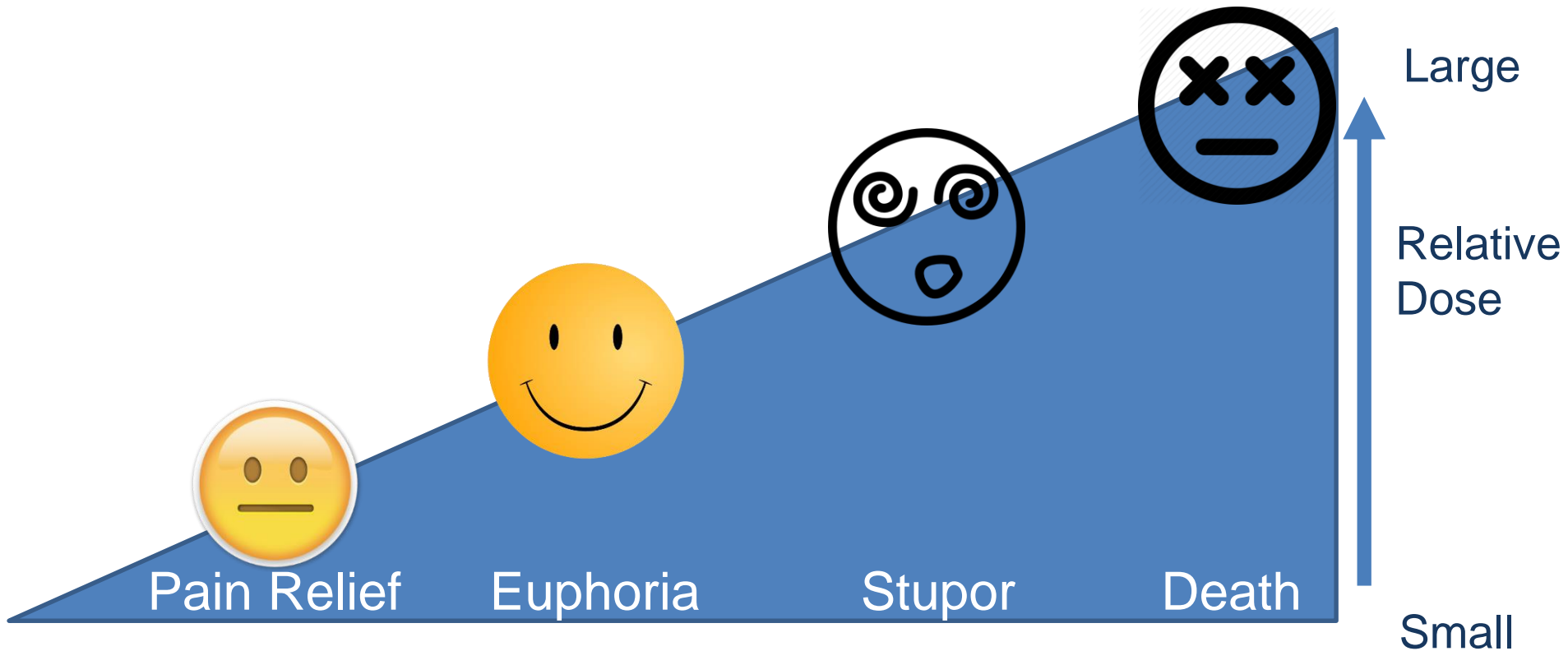
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“About 100% of pill seized in 2018  
are counterfeit” – Portland Police

# Problem 1: Large Opioid Doses Do More Than Reduce Pain




# Naloxone is an antidote


***WHEN TO USE NARCAN***



Inability to wake the person

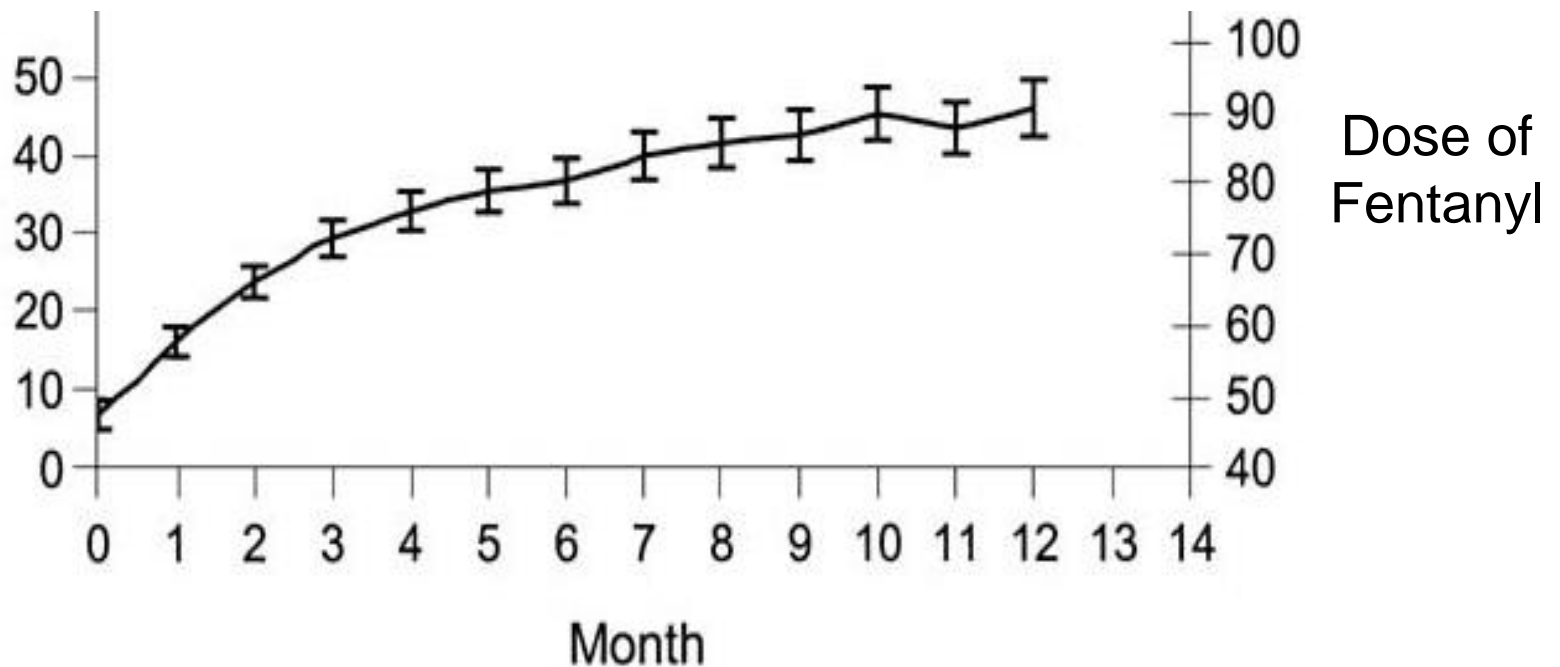


Slow (or no) breathing



Pinpoint pupils

# Problem 2: Higher Opioid Dose Needed Over Time For Same Effect



Miligan et al Evaluation of long-term efficacy and safety of transdermal fentanyl in the treatment of chronic noncancer pain  
[The Journal of Pain, Volume 2, Issue 4](#), August 2001, Pages 197-204

## Problem 3: Chronic Use Causes Physical Dependence; Halting Drug Causes Withdrawal, an Illness



<https://opiateaddictionsupport.com/heroin-withdrawal-symptoms/>

Mood Swings  
Anxiety  
Shakes, Chills, Sweats  
Tears, Runny Nose  
Bone Pain  
Vomiting  
Diarrhea  
3-7 day duration

# I'm Withdrawing: What are my Options?

1. Use a drug again (8-12 hrs. of relief); use less over time (taper)
2. Suffer without treatment (cold turkey)
3. Medicine to treat symptoms, not disease
4. Begin Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) to treat symptoms AND disease

*"The choices you make are the choices you have"*



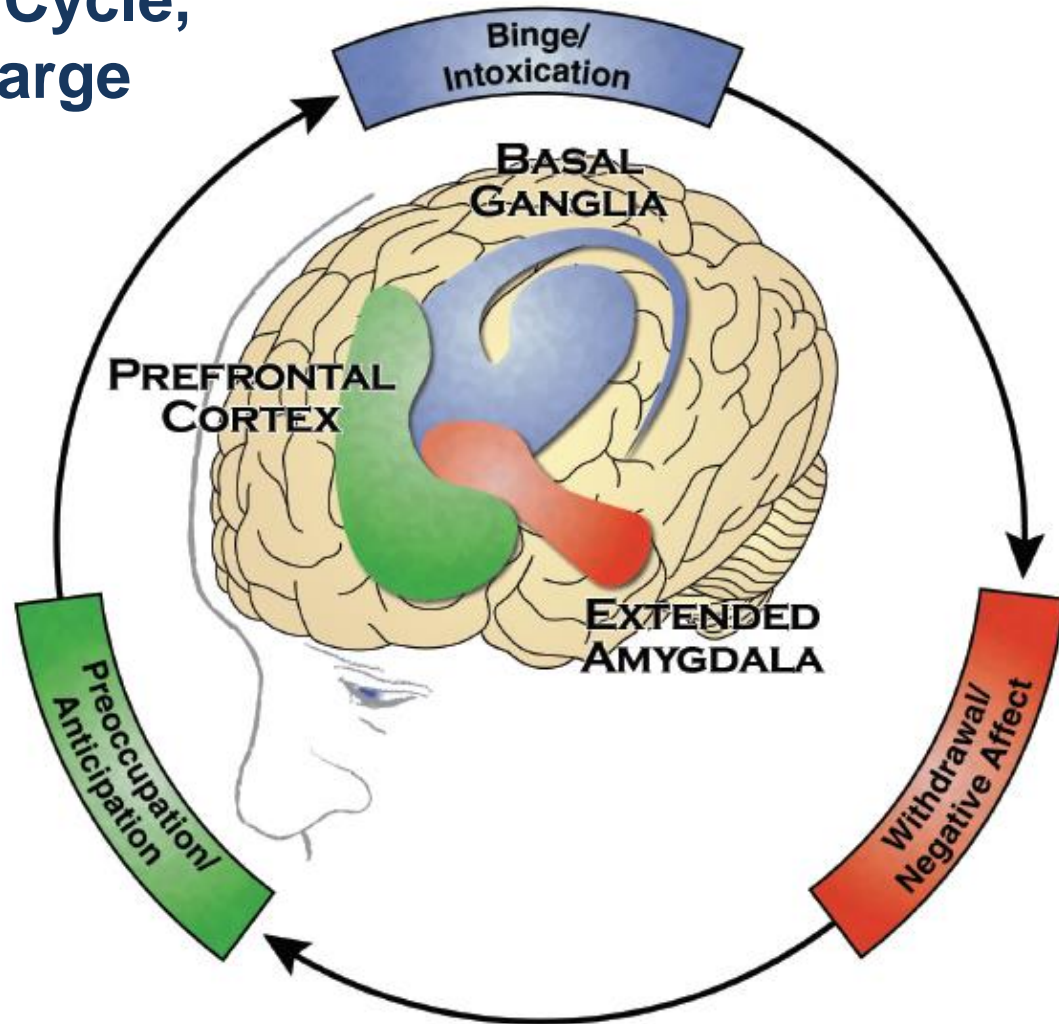
# Problem 4:

## The Opioid Use Disorder Cycle, The Primitive Brain in Charge

The addiction cycle is triggered by intoxication and pleasure (blue)

When intoxication wears off, the individual feels worse (red)

More substances are sought (green) to relieve distress, the cycle continues



# Opioid Misuse: Risk Factors

## Fixed

- Male > Female
- Youth > Older Adult
- Genetic Variants
  - Dopamine, GABA, serotonin, opioid receptors, enzymes, transporters

## Changeable

- Education
- Poverty
- Length of exposure to opioids
- Adverse Childhood Experiences



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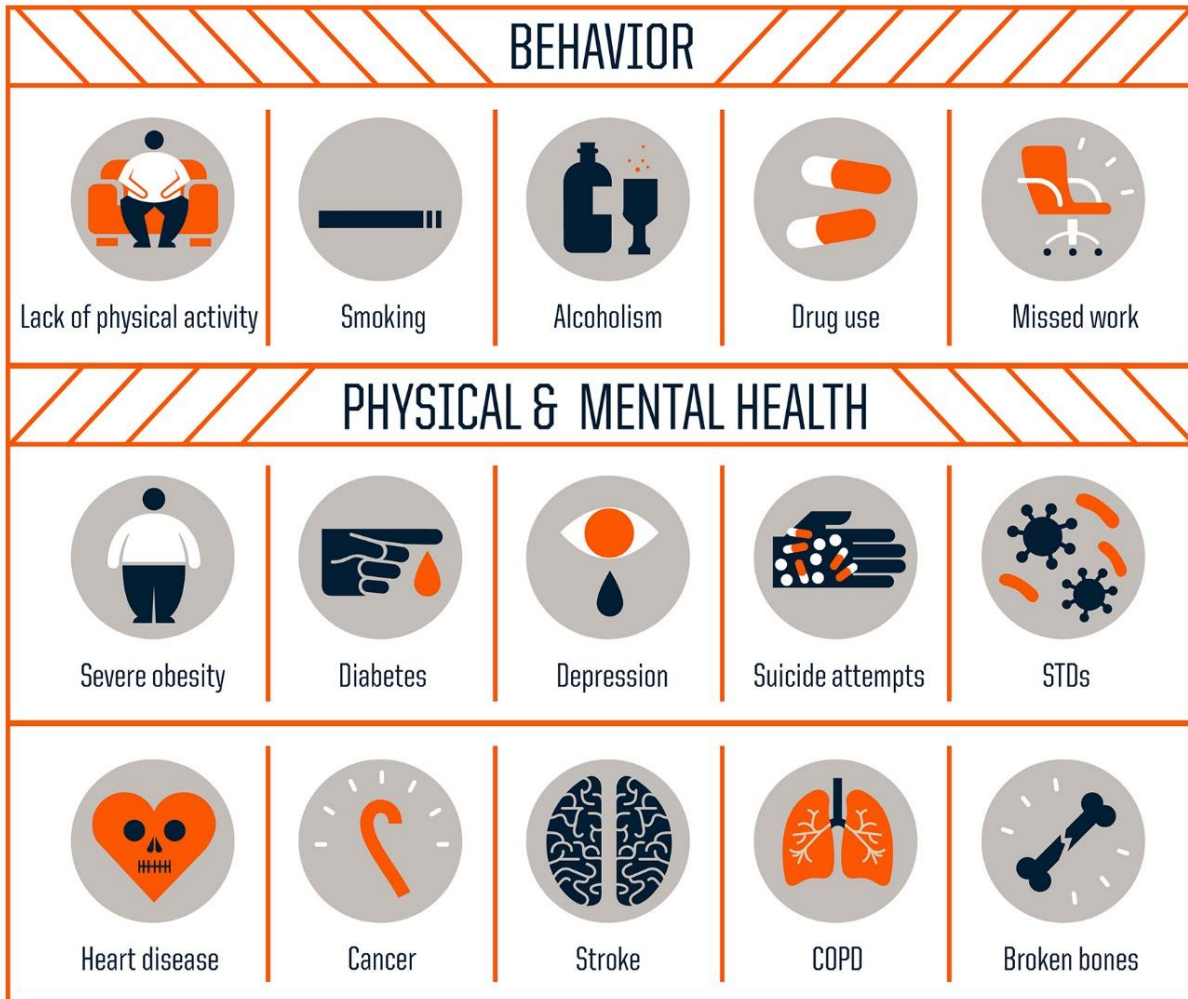
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# What are Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs)?

- Abuse
  - Emotional
  - Physical
  - Sexual
- Neglect
  - Emotional
  - Physical
- Household Challenges
- Mother treated violently
- Household substance abuse
- Mental illness in household
- Parental separation or divorce
- Criminal household member



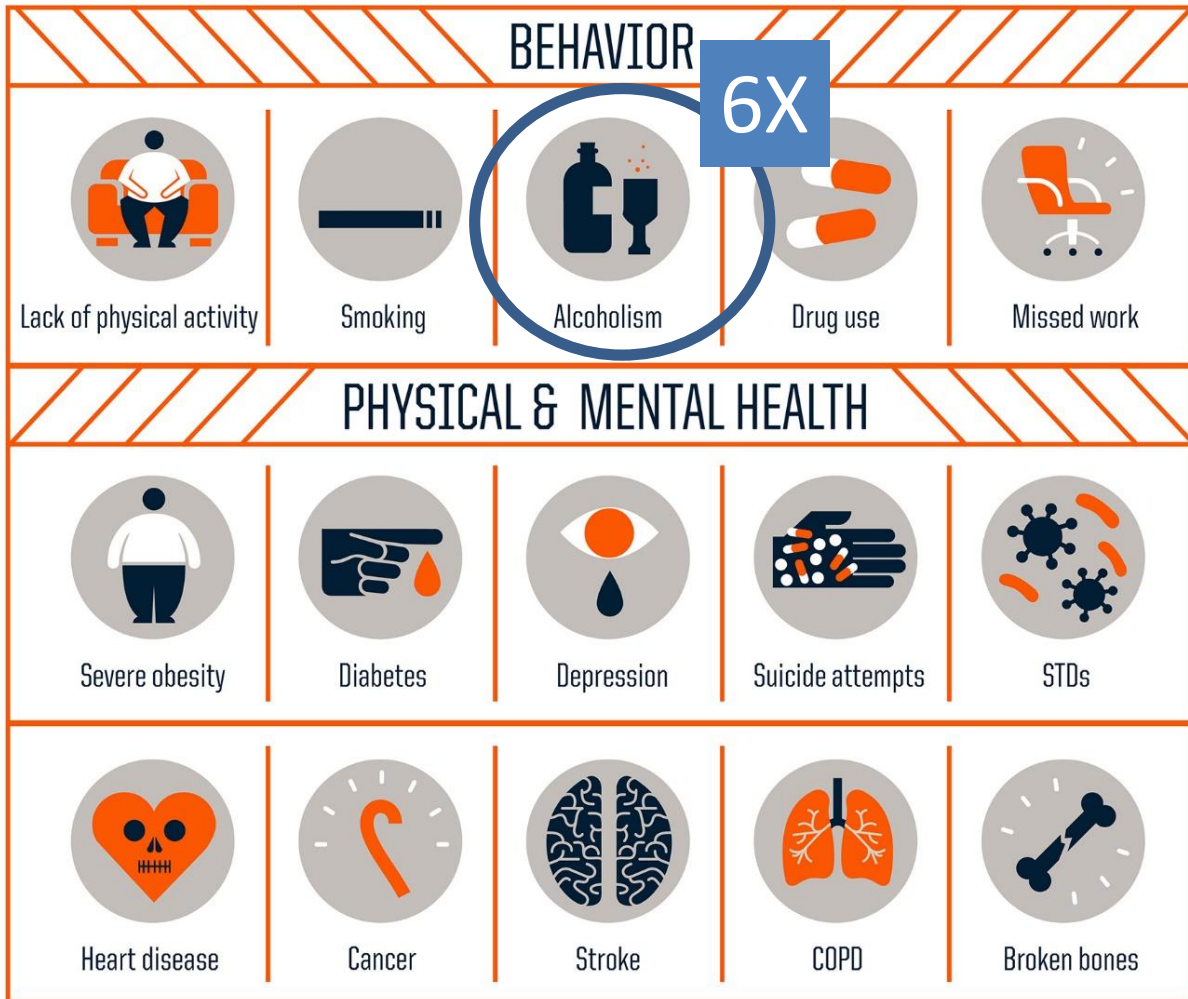


ACEs are not Destiny

ACES are Risk Factors  
Health Behavior  
Health Outcomes

High ( $\geq 4$ ) vs Low (0)  
Alcoholism 6X  
SUD 10 X

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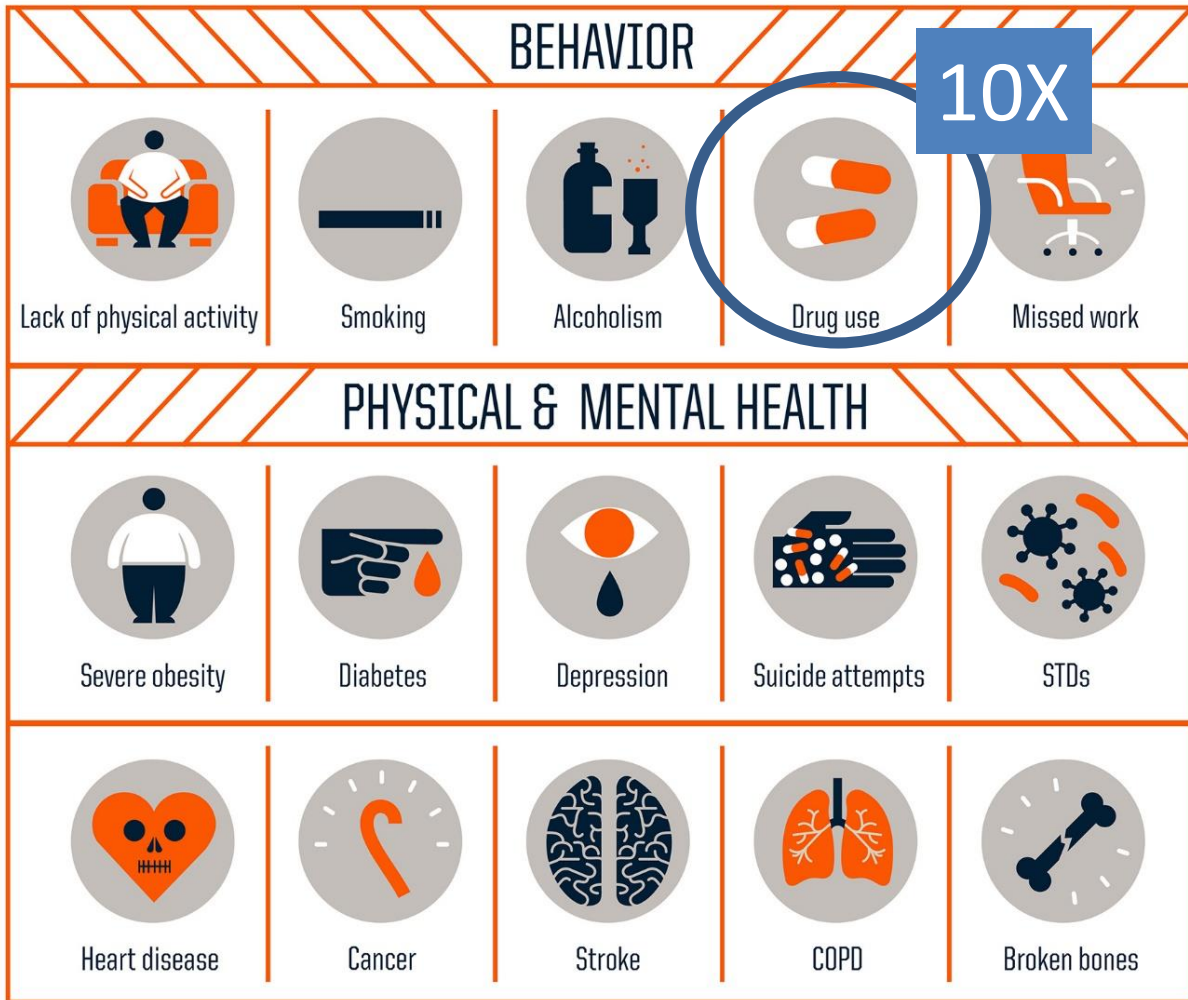
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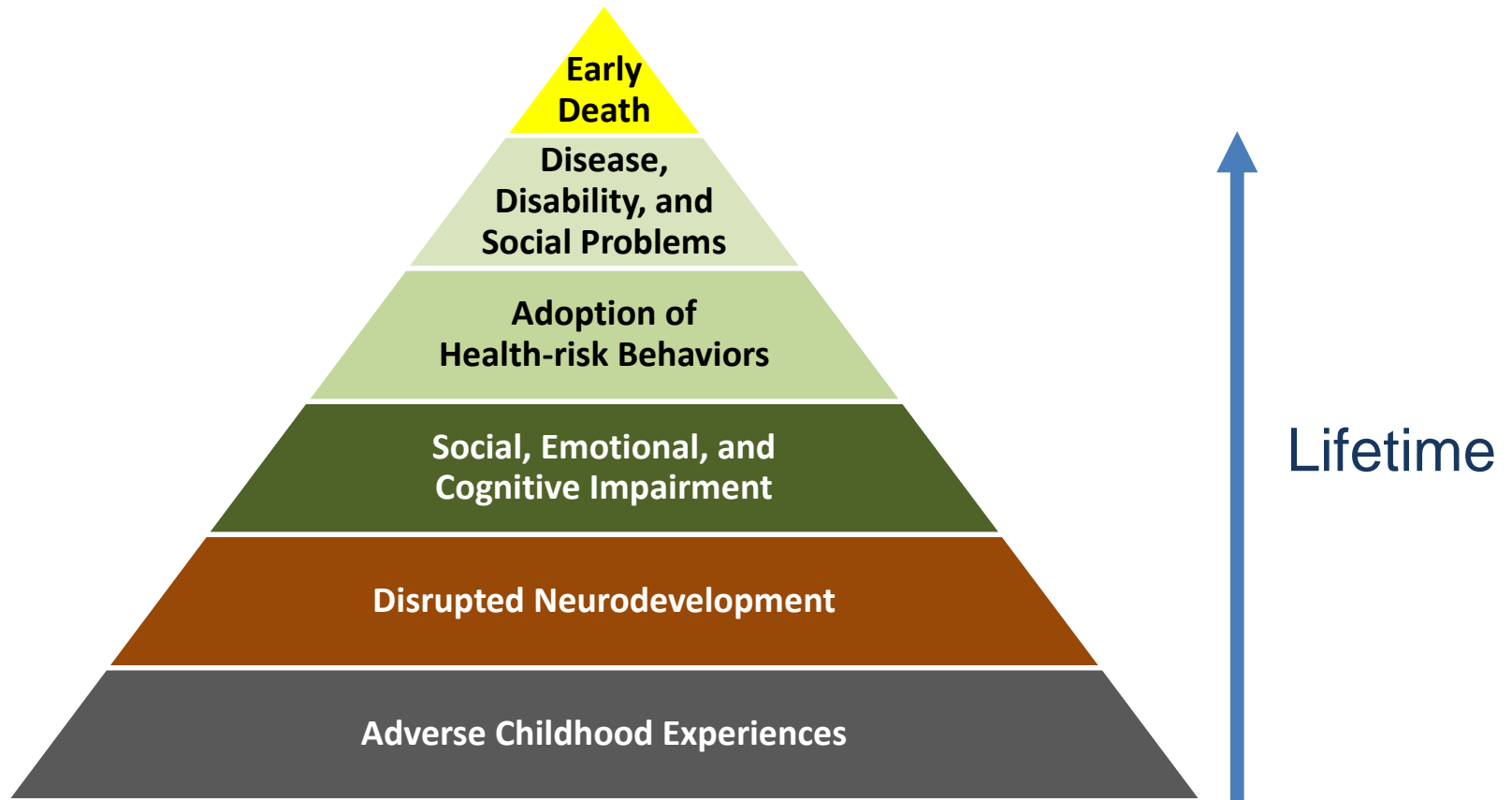
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# How do Adverse Childhood Experiences (ACEs) Hurt?



Mechanism by Which Adverse Childhood Experiences Influence Health and Well-being Throughout the Lifespan

[Pediatrics March 2003, VOLUME 111 / ISSUE 3](#)

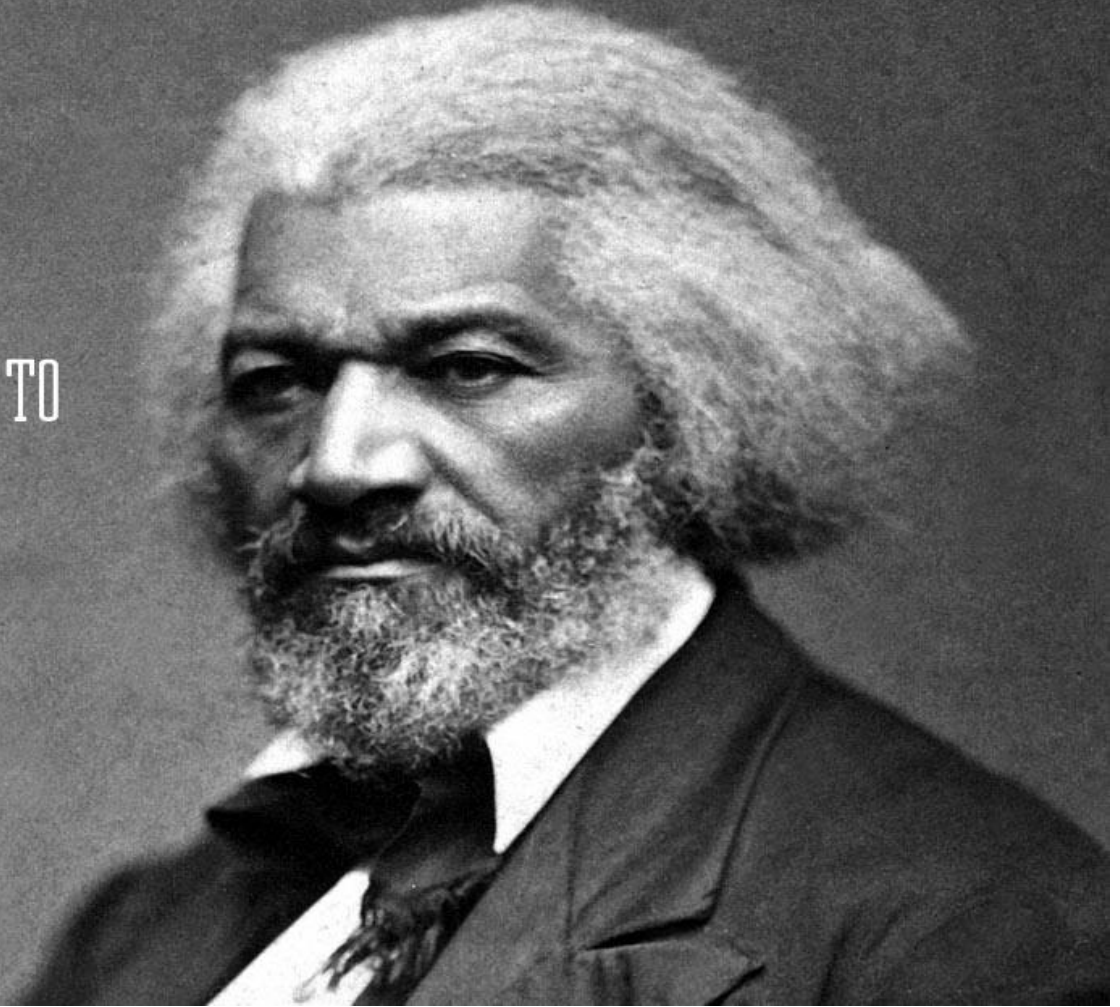


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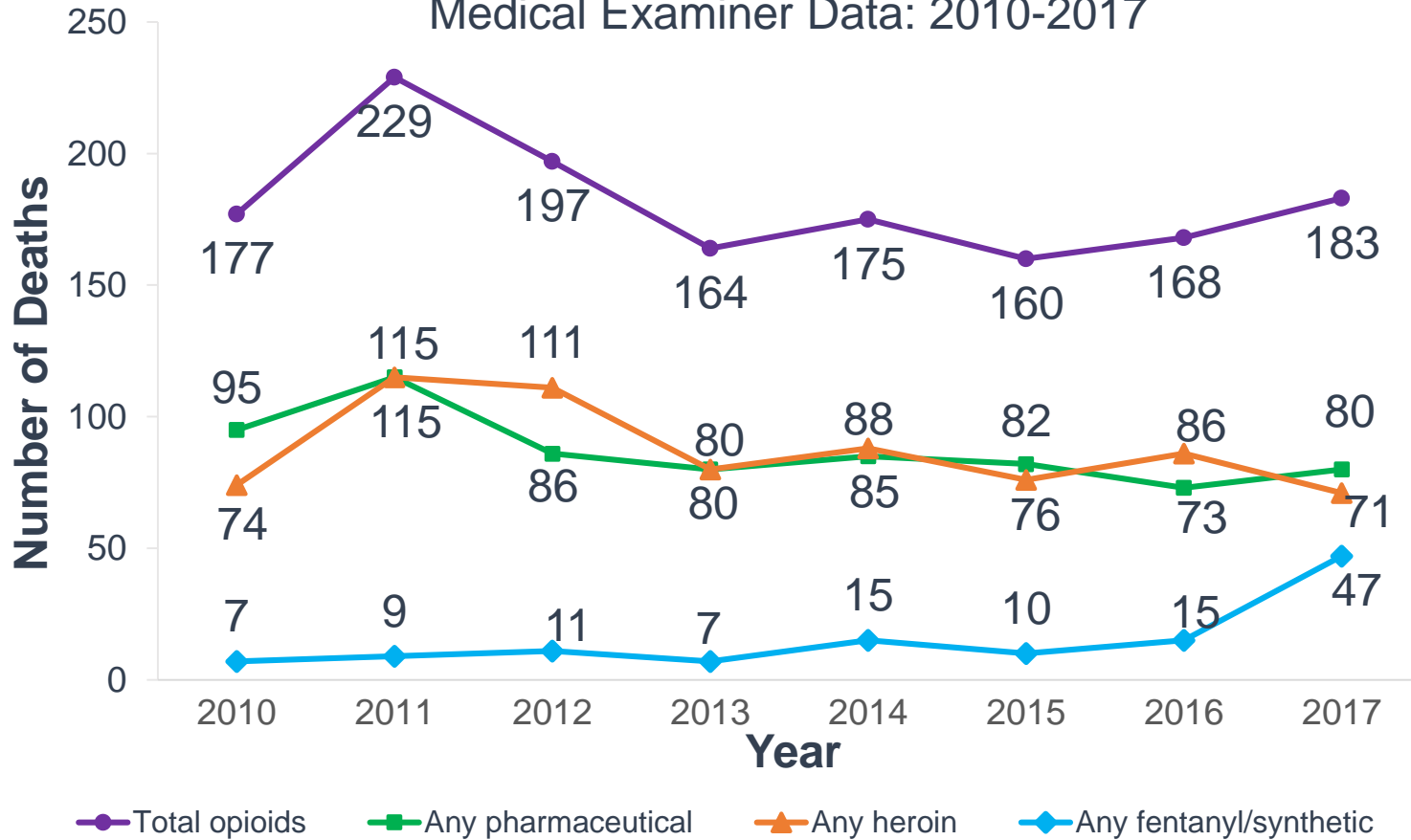
# Report Card on Fatal and non-fatal Overdose

- Summary
  - Stable, high death rate
    - Worse in 2017 because of fentanyl
  - Broad age range in fatalities
  - Death rates highest in Native American, White, African-American > Hispanic and Asian/PI
  - Mostly accidents; up to 20% suicide
  - ~40% multiple substances



# Regional Opioid Deaths – Trending Up

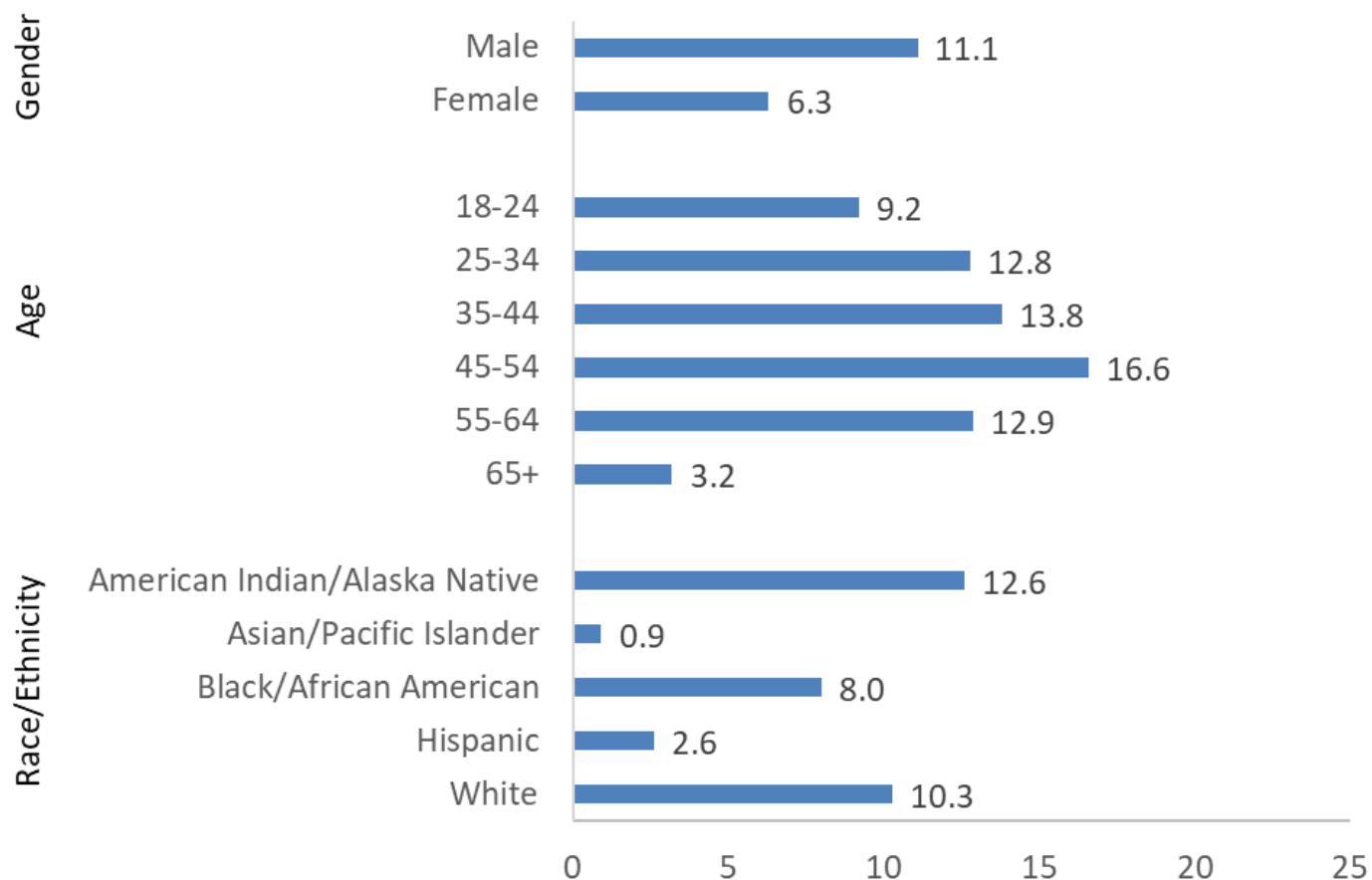
Tri-County Opioid Overdose Deaths by Drug Type,  
Medical Examiner Data: 2010-2017



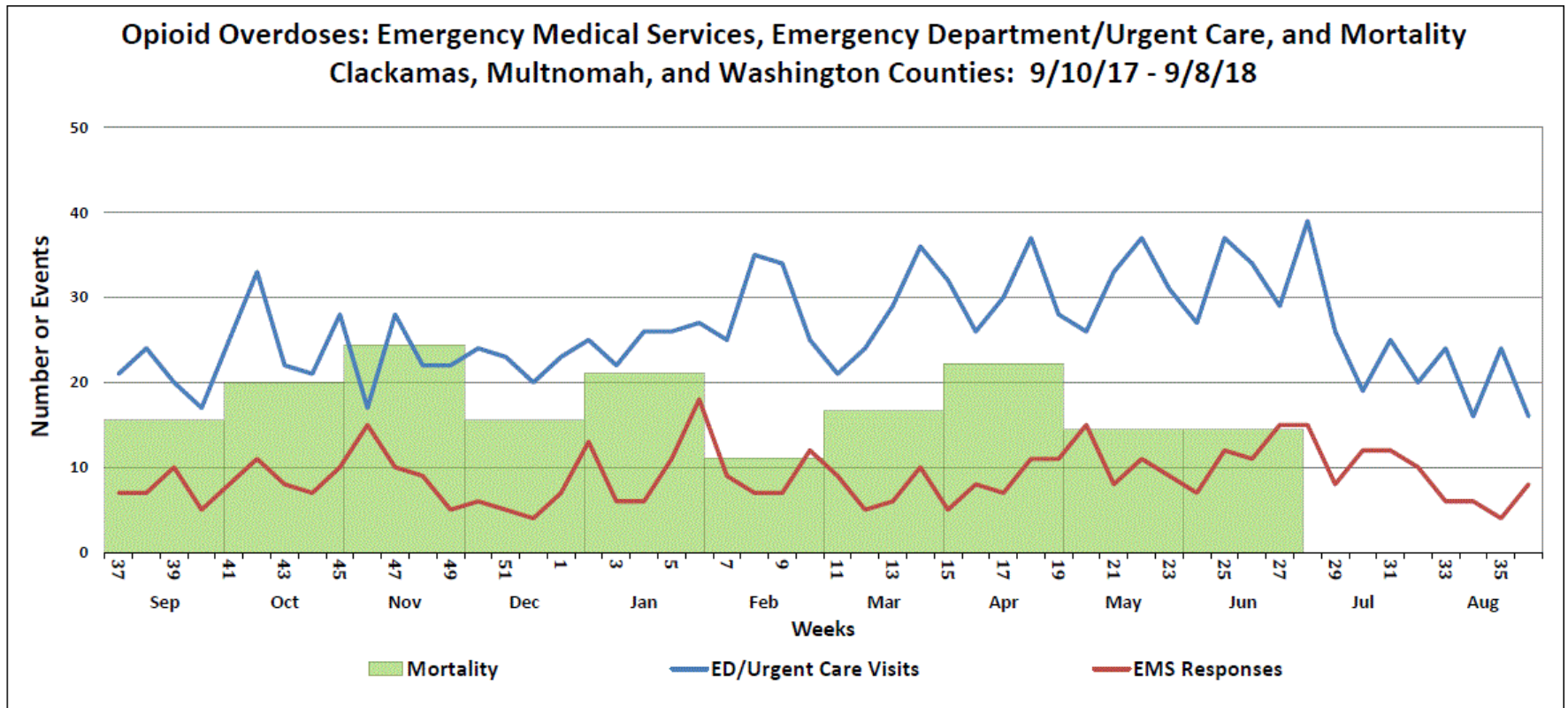
Other Associated Medical Conditions  
 HIV  
 Hepatitis B, C  
 Heart Infections,  
 Skin infections and abscesses

Oregon State Medical Examiner data

Figure 11 - Tri-County Opioid Overdose Death Rate by Gender and Age (2010-2016) and Race/Ethnicity (2000-2016), CDC WONDER data



# Fear of Fentanyl – Realtime Overdose Surveillance

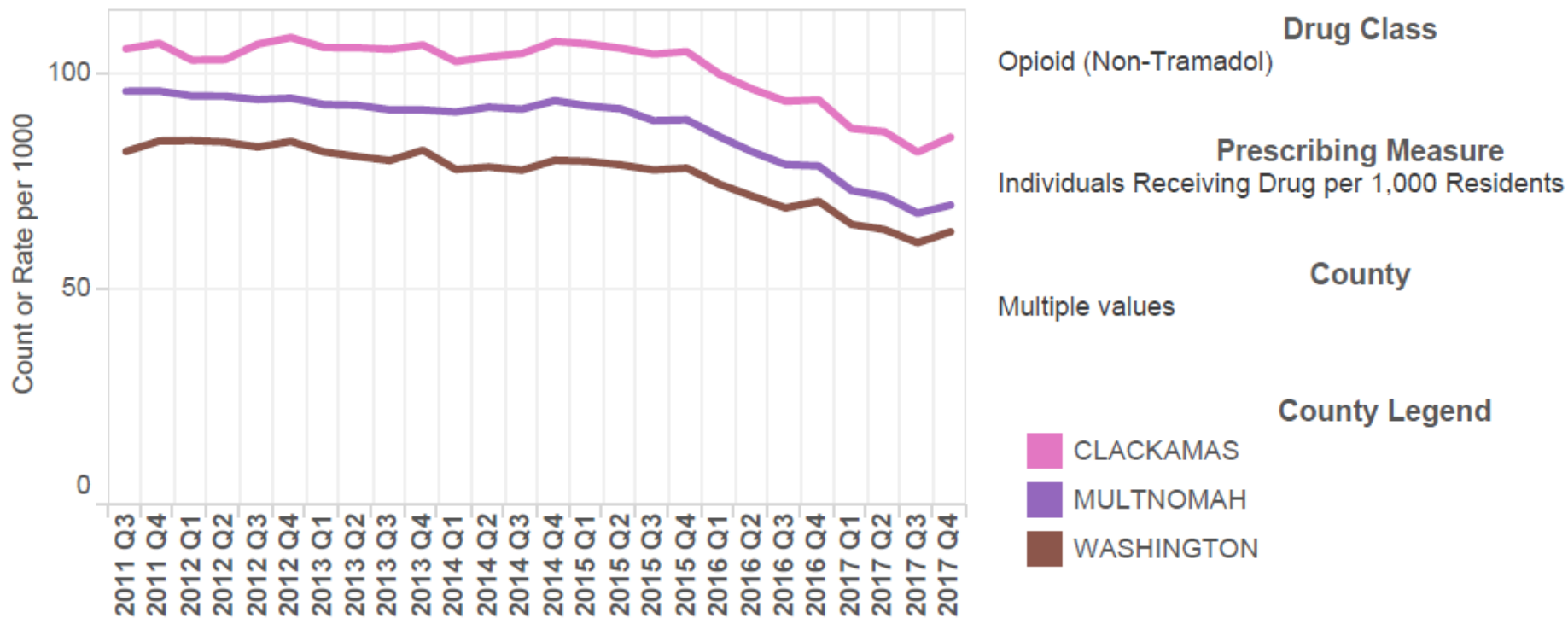


# Some Good(ish) News

- Excess Prescribing is decreasing
- Chronic Disease Model is being accepted
- We know where to find patients in need of treatment



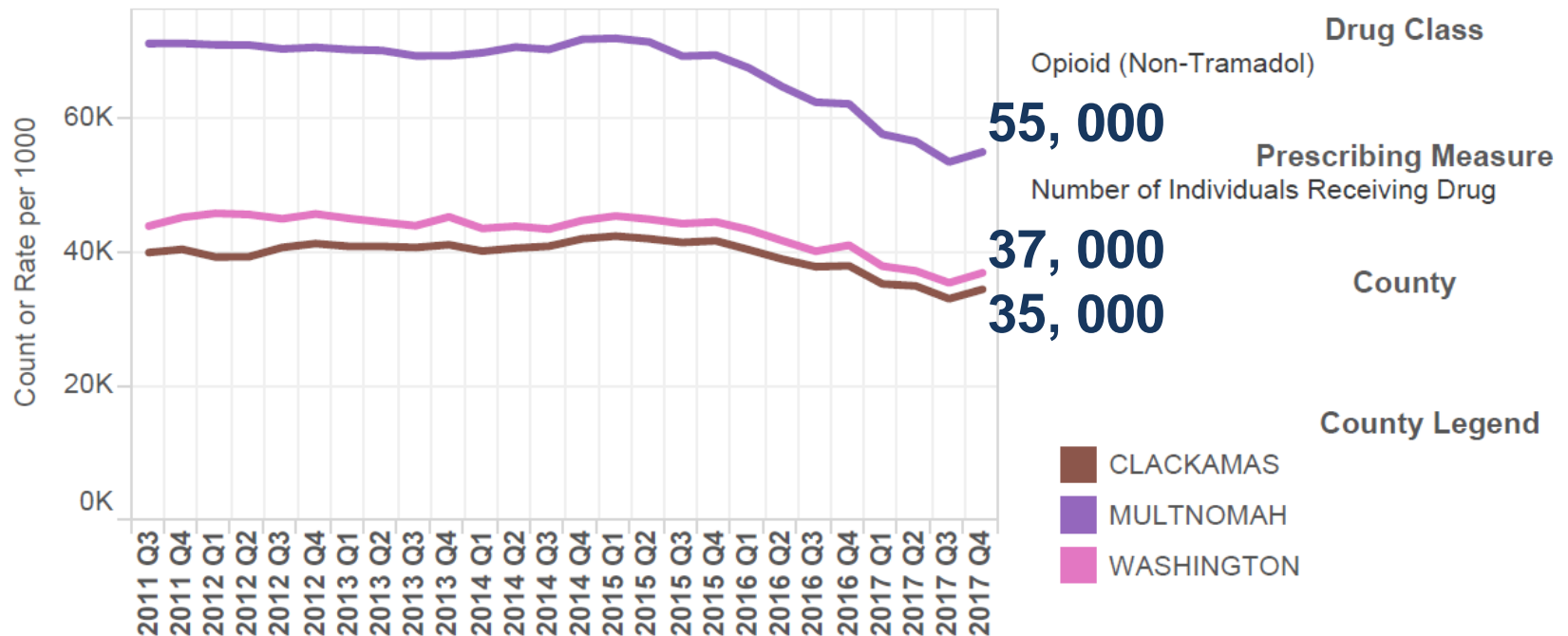
# Prescribing is down for more than 2 years!



<http://www.oregon.gov/oha/ph/preventionwellness/substanceuse/opioids/pages/data.aspx> accessed 3/14/18

# But >120,000 separate people still get opioids every quarter in the Tri-County Region!

## Prescribing by County




# Good News 2:

- Chronic Disease Model is Taking Hold
  - Relapses and recovery
  - Evidence-based treatment
  - Combined Medical and Social Components of Recovery

Anyone  
can become  
addicted to pain pills

Anyone



The image features a dark background with the text 'Anyone can become addicted to pain pills' in red and white. Below this, the word 'Anyone' is written in red. Underneath, there are four small, square portraits of diverse individuals: a man with long hair, a woman with dark hair, a woman with long dark hair, and a woman with red hair.

Call 800-923-4357 (HELP)

# We Know Where We Encounter People Needing Treatment

Site	Estimated Number per year
Detox	2500 (Hooper, CODA, DePaul)
Emergency Room Overdose	1000+
Jail Booking	>10,000 encounters (All substances, Multco only)
<b>Total</b>	<b>&gt; 13,000 opportunities</b>



# How Many People Need Treatment for OUD?

- Older Survey Data\* (likely worse now)
  - 0.3% used heroin in last year
  - 1.4 % misused prescription opioid
- Estimate: Total Tri-County >25,000 people

\*2012/3 (landline) or 2014 (face to face, housed only)

# Final Thoughts



## Everyone is Susceptible

- Supply of drugs is abundant
- Social conditions are a major risk



## Opioid Use Disorder is a Chronic Medical Condition



## Opioid Misuse Can Be Prevented

- Eliminate adverse childhood experiences
- Reduce poverty
- Enhance education

# Final Thoughts

## Short-term Local Policies Can Address:



Justice-related pathways to recovery



Lowering barrier access to effective treatment; integrating recovery system; Office-Based Treatment with buprenorphine



Integrated approach to recovery including housing, employment, social support, and medication

# Poll Everywhere: Alison Noice



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# Test Question: I have a Current DATA Waiver

Yes

No

I Don't  
Know

# Question #1: Substance use disorders are chronic health conditions, not moral failings or character flaws

Strongly  
Disagree

Neutral

Strongly  
Agree

## Question #2: Medication-Assisted Treatment is fine, but it should be time-limited

Strongly Disagree **A**

Neutral **B**

Strongly Agree **C**



# Medication Supported Recovery – A Clinical Opportunity Within Primary Care Medical Practice



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Senior Medical Director, Substance Use Disorder  
Services – Central City Concern

# Objectives

1. Discuss the disease of addiction from the perspective of how a primary care physician can make an impact.
2. Review opportunities for Alcohol Use Disorder and Opioid Use Disorder.
3. Talk a little bit about the science.
4. Talk about population sub-sets that are less difficult to work with.
5. Ask you to be creative and curious in your thinking about caring for patients.

# This is Addiction



# Broad Philosophic Context

<b>Diabetes Tight Glycemic Control</b>	<b>A1C&lt;7.0%</b>	<b>NNT 250</b>	<b>NNH 6</b>
<b>Hypertension</b>		<b>NNT 29-118</b>	
<b>Hypercholesterolemia</b>	<b>Primary Prevention Secondary Prevention</b>	<b>NNT 22-80 NNT 7-9.1</b>	<b>NNH 63-167</b>
<b>Alcohol Use Disorder</b>	<b>Acamprosate Total Abstinence Naltrexone Total Abstinence Naltrexone Zero Heavy Drink</b>	<b>NNT 12 NNT 20 NNT 12</b>	
<b>Buprenorphine</b>	<b>Retention in Treatment</b>	<b>NNT 2-4</b>	

JAMA Network: Jonas and Hughes 5.13.2014 doi:10.1001/jama/2014.3628

Am. Fam. Physician. Raleigh M.F., 2017, March 1:95(5) online

# The Medical Literature

1. Supports the use of medication to help patients improve their probability of abstinence.

- Data has been around for nearly 50 years.
- Alcohol Use Disorders
- Opioid Use Disorders

2. Supports the attendance of fellowship groups as increasing the probability of sustained abstinence.

- Less than 15% of patients who attend 12-step meetings will continue to be active at 12 months.
- 90 meetings in 90 days is as effective as a 28 day residential treatment.
  - Very poor outcomes data-self reported “success” rates of 80% or more

[www.asam.org/docs/default-source/practice-support/guidelines-and-consensus-docs/asam-national-practice-guideline-supplement.pdf](http://www.asam.org/docs/default-source/practice-support/guidelines-and-consensus-docs/asam-national-practice-guideline-supplement.pdf)

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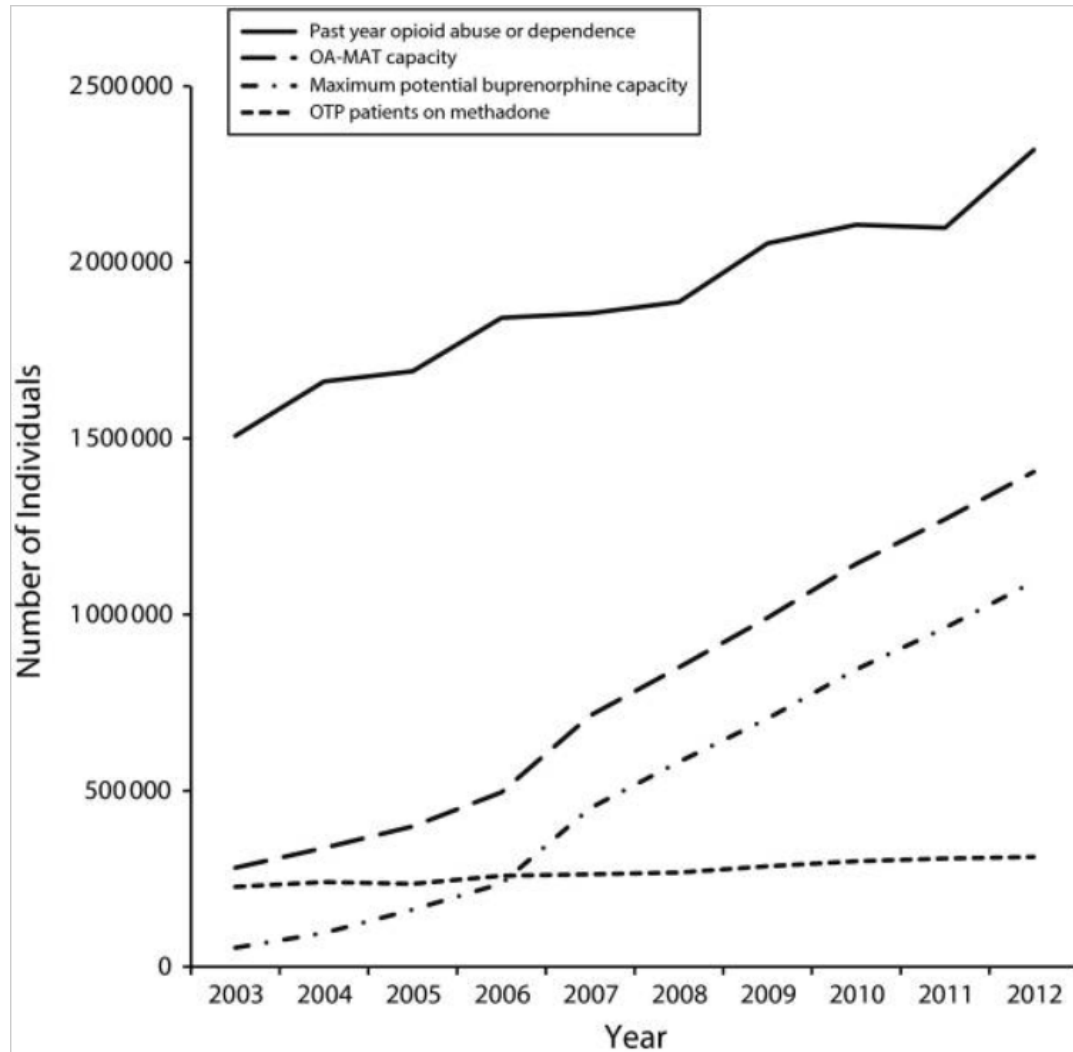
3. Demonstrates that treatment of Depressive Disorders markedly reduces substance use but have a minimal effect on the probability of total abstinence.

4. Informs clinicians that the disease of addiction is a chronic relapsing brain disease.

- Spectrum Disease – Mild, Moderate, Severe
- Vastly less expensive to treat than it is to ignore or to provide less effective treatment modalities.

- [Edward V. Nunes, MD; Frances R. Levin, MD](#)
- *JAMA*. 2004;291(15):1887-1896. doi:10.1001/jama.291.15.1887

# VAST Chasm between NEED and ACCESS



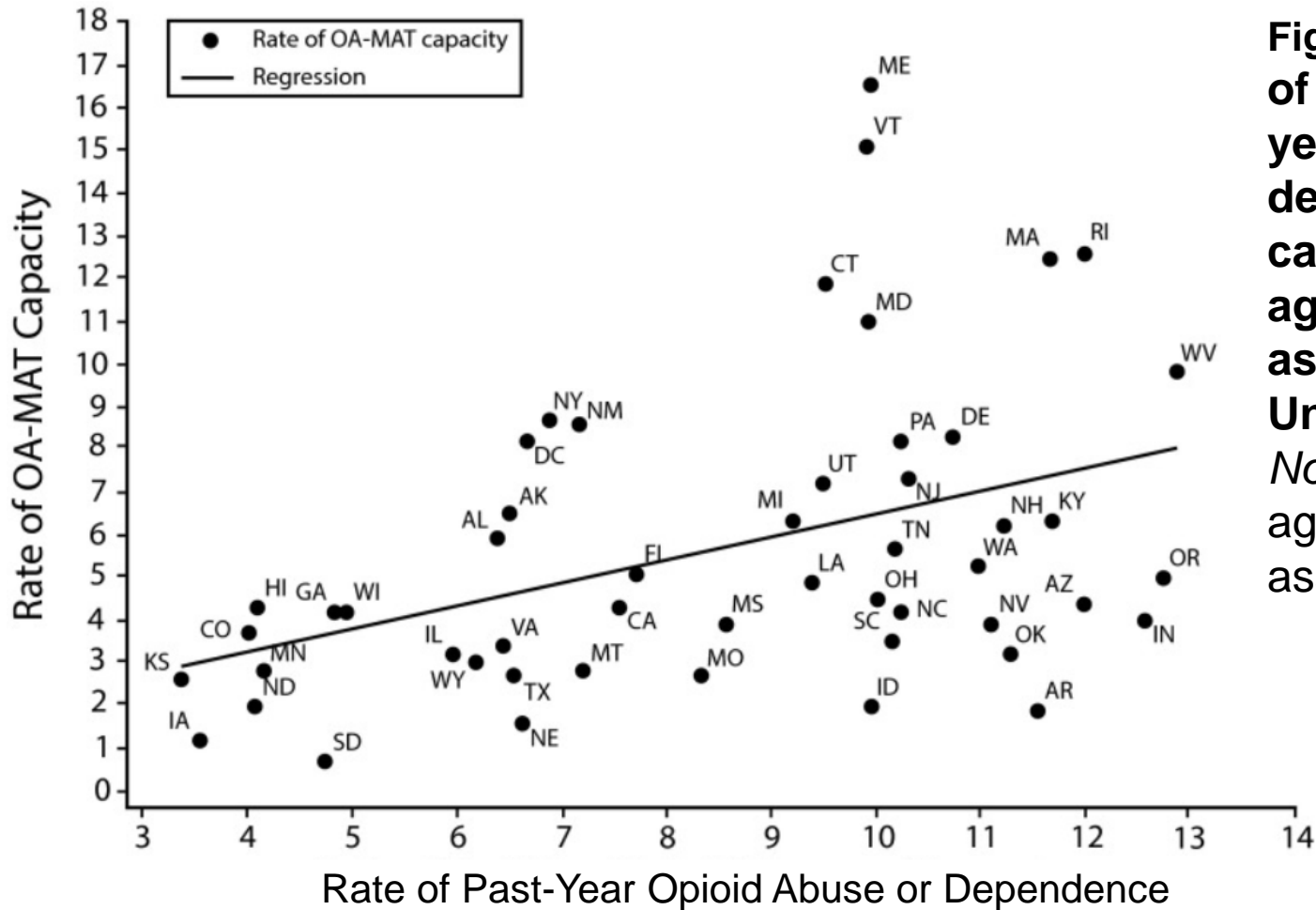
**Figure 1 – Trends in past-year opioid abuse or dependence and opioid agonist medication-assisted treatment capacity: United States, 2003–2012.**

*Note.* OA-MAT = opioid agonist medication-assisted treatment; OTP = opioid treatment program.

Jones et. al. American Journal of Public Health, June 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015 Electronic Publication-Peer Reviewed.



# State-by-State Access Regression Analysis

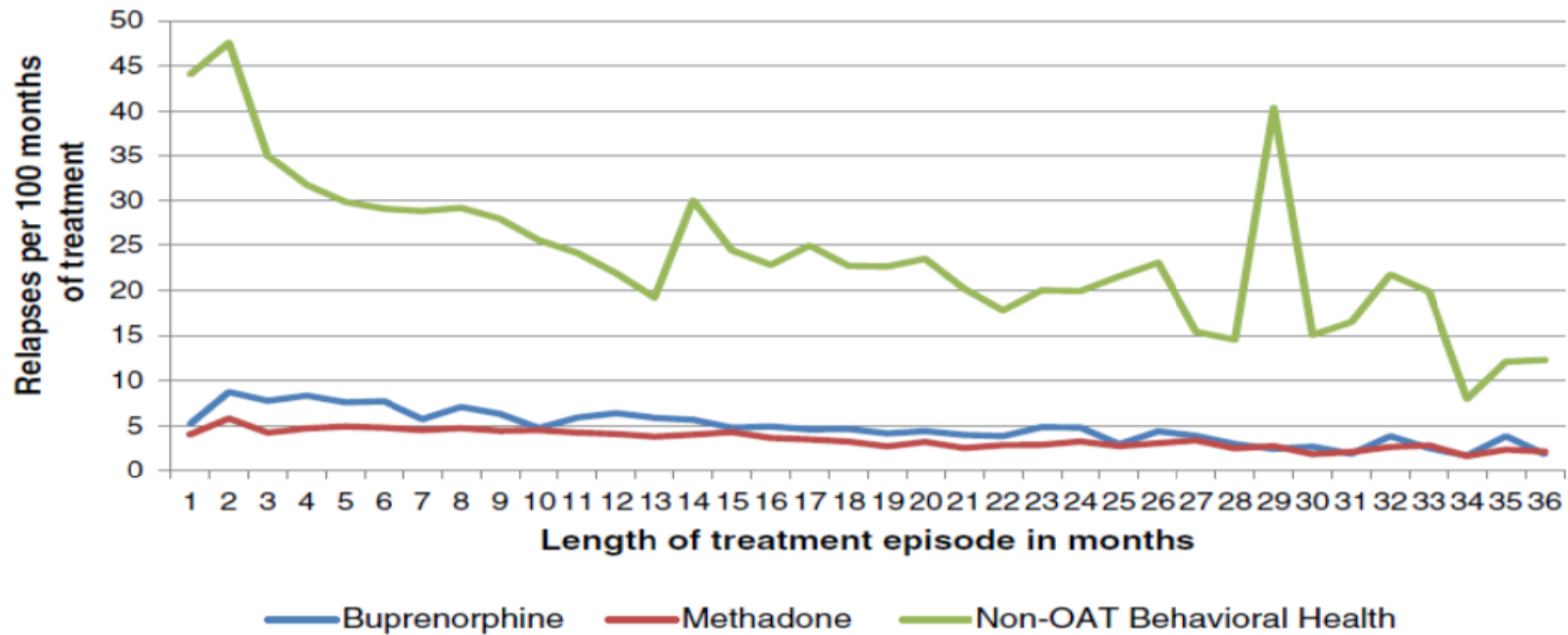


**Figure 2 – Comparison of state rates of past-year opioid abuse or dependence and capacity for opioid agonist medication-assisted treatment: United States, 2012.** *Note.* OA-MAT = opioid agonist medication-assisted treatment.

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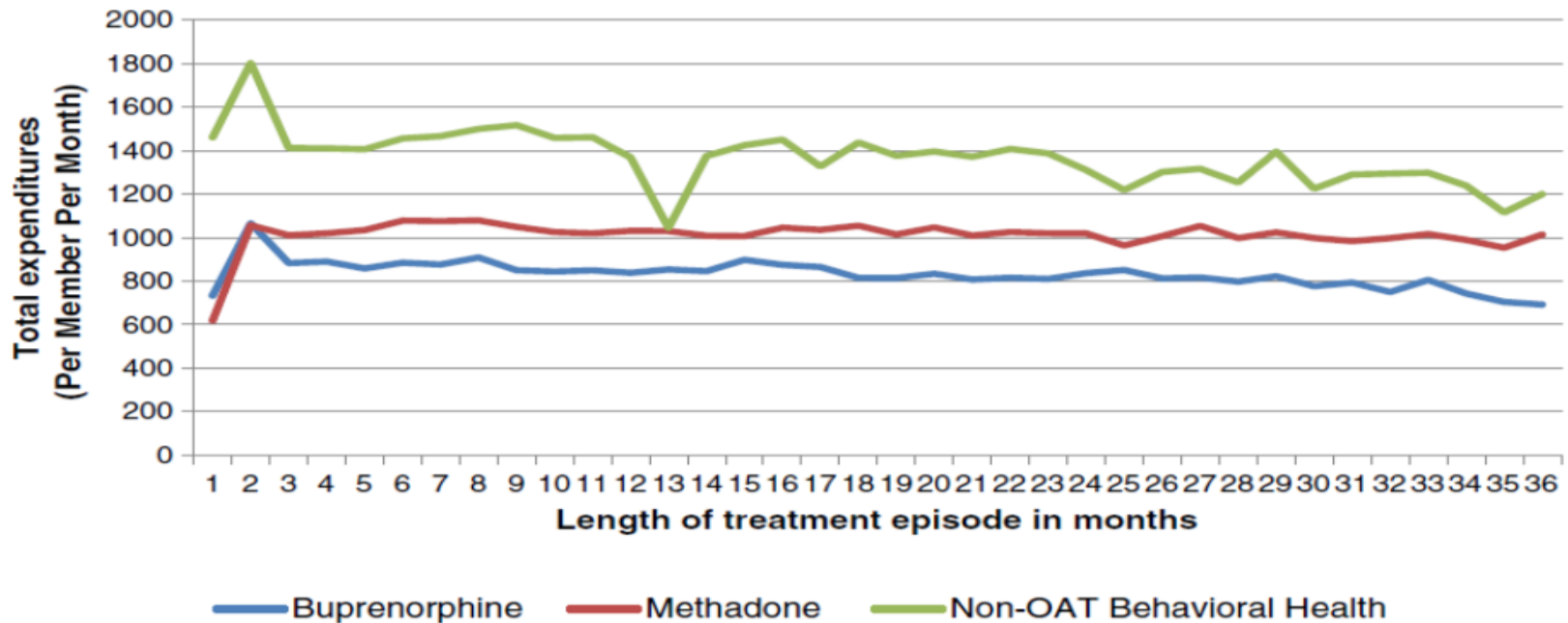
# Patients Maintained with OAT Demonstrate VASTLY Less Relapse with Opioids. (OAT = Opioid Agonist Treatment)

R.E. Clark et al. / Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment xxx (2015) xxx-xxx



# What are the costs of caring for patients? (OAT = Opioid Agonist Treatment)

R.E. Clark et al. / Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment xxx (2015) xxx-xxx



# Substance Use Disorders are Chronic Disease States

Courtesy: Dr. Paul Lewis

## Percentage of Patients Who Relapse

### TYPE I DIABETES



### DRUG ADDICTION



### HYPERTENSION



### ASTHMA



Genetic factors	Environ Factors	Chronic	Various Meds
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

<https://www.drugabuse.gov/publications/media-guide/science-drug-abuse-addiction-basics>

# So Where Does This Fit Into My Practice?

- Single Question SBIRT for Alcohol Use
- “How many times in the last year have you had 4 or more (women) or 5 or more drinks (men) in a drinking session?”
  - 80% PPV for the presence of at least a mild use disorder
  - Clinically effective to simply make a recommendation that when a person consumes alcohol that they consider they drink a little less.
  - Effective at reducing risky drinking.

SAMHSA.GOV/SBIRT in Behavioral Healthcare

# M.K. 46 y.o. Male General Contractor

- Persistent Hypertension
- Mild Hypertransaminasemia
- Mild Dyslipidemia
- Tobacco ½ ppd, 20-30 pack years.
- Anxious about work, kids, spouse and money
  
- Referred by spouse for general health and physical examination

# M.K. Historical Review

- Drinks alcohol daily
- 1-3 beers (16 oz. steel ice) on weeknights and up to a six-pack on the weekend.
- Rare liquor – reports he used to drink too much before he got married in his late 20's.
- DUI-I history x1
- Gambles \$40-60 a week and goes out to a bar on Thursday and Friday nights.
- Drinks more than he intends 2-3 times a month over the past year.



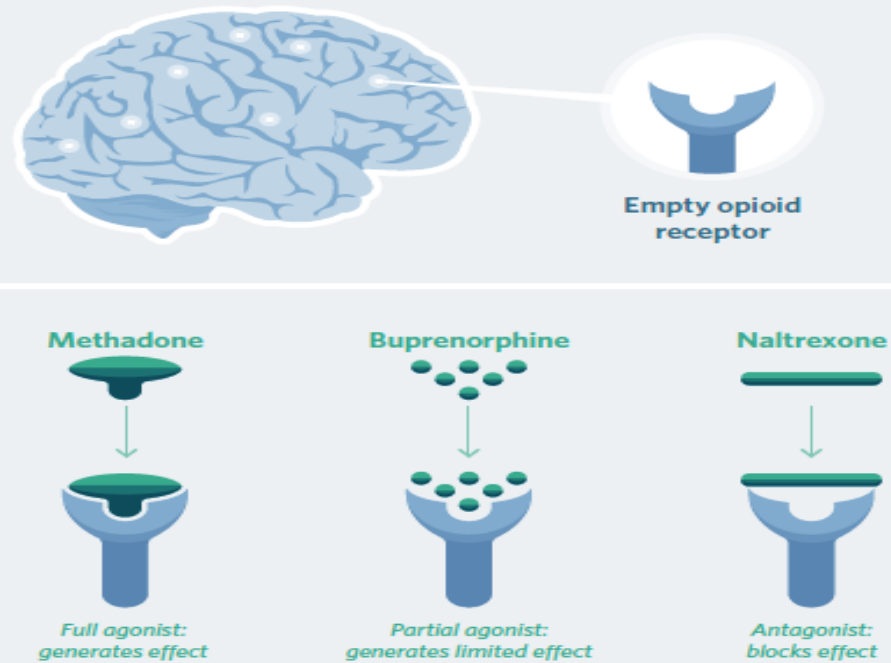
# M.K. Interventions

- Have you thought about what drinking less might do for your health?
  - Sleep?
  - Mood?
  - Relationships?
  - Finances?
- How does it feel/what do you think about when considering drinking less?
- Would you be interested in taking a medication that might help you be less interested in alcohol?

# What About Opioid Use Disorder?

- How do I care for patients with OUD?
- What type of supports do I need?
- What type of clinical standards mean that my practice is a quality practice?
- How much workload?
- What type of clinical or regulatory or oversight risk?

Figure 1  
How OUD Medications Work in the Brain



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Courtesy: Dr. Paul Lewis

# 1. Buprenorphine → Thebaine derived opioid that has been around since the 1960's.

- Very potent 1mg sl = 20-30 MED's.
- VERY high binding affinity to the Mu-receptor, Kappa receptor antagonist.
  - Only Fentanyl and hydromorphone will competitively agonize the mu receptor.
- Long half-life 18-24 hours.
- Very safe → Maximum VO<sub>2</sub> suppression.
  
- Clinical Indication in the sublingual formulation: Opioid Dependency/Opioid Use disorders.
  - Off-label for pain.
  - The transdermal product is on-label for pain.
  
- What does this medicine do?
  - Stabilizes opioid withdrawal and reduces craving.
  - Blunts opioid response if relapse occurs.
  - Improves retention in addiction treatment, improves abstinence from opioids, reduces cost of the complications from continues opioid use.
  - Compared to methadone, buprenorphine is favorable in terms of reduced neonatal abstinence.

1. In order to treat Opioid Use disorder from an office-based setting you must take an online course, register with SAMHSA and the DEA via your Notification to Treat.  
[www.samhsa.gov/buprenorphine/DATA2000](http://www.samhsa.gov/buprenorphine/DATA2000)
2. DATA 2000 was the law that made OBOT possible with Buprenorphine.
3. Waiver Limits- MD, DO, NP or PA with a standard DEA License for Schedule III Prescribing.
  - 30 patients for the first 12 months.
  - 100 patients if you provide a second notification and have the ability to provide treatment resources (groups or therapy) and/or refer patients to those services.
4. Modest acceptance is gaining in the traditional Recovery Community of AA/NA.
5. Unfortunately, buprenorphine mills exist.
  - Not all cash-practices are buprenorphine mills.
6. Good payor coverage exists in Oregon for generic products (not true in all states).

## 2. Methadone → synthetic opioid that was invented in the 1940's.

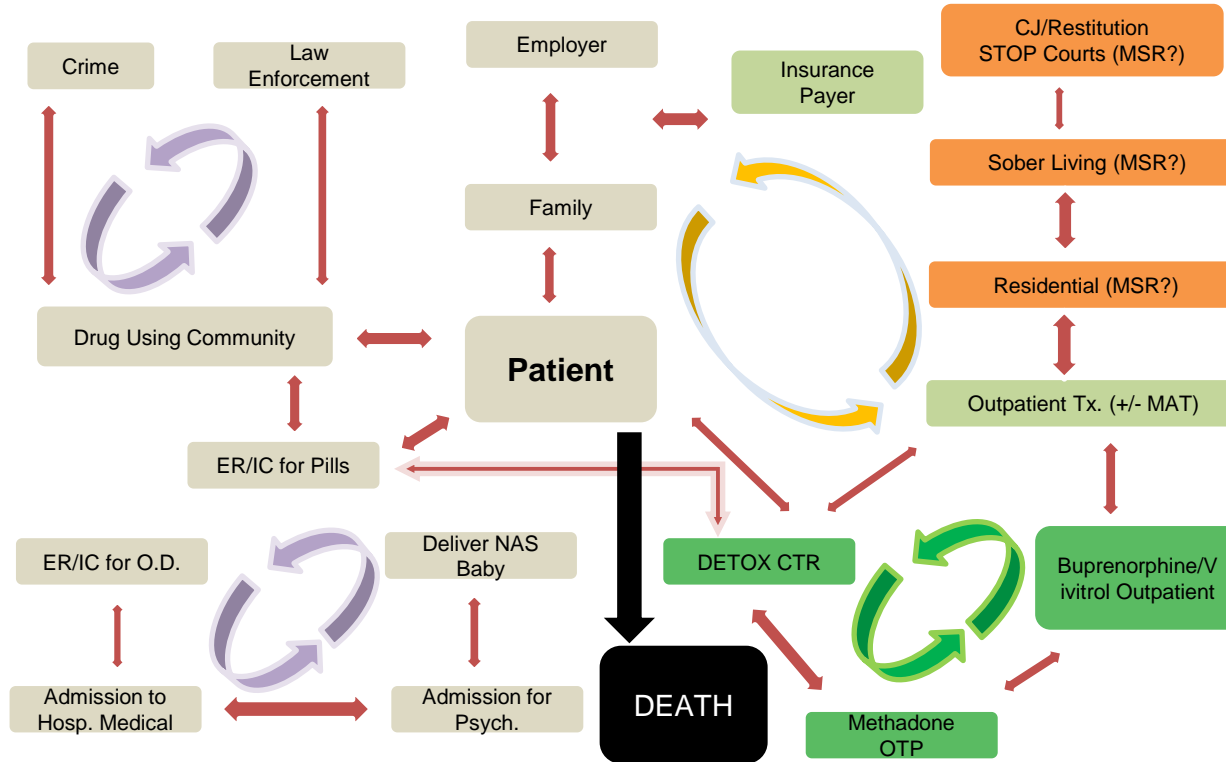
- Potent 1mg = 7-20 MEDs depending on pharmacogenetics, drug interactions.
- Moderate binding affinity to the Mu-receptor. Other interesting receptor interactions.
- Very Long half-life 24-36 hours.
- Not Safe, the most frequent cause of unintentional overdose in many states.
  - Includes both prescribed methadone, and illicit use of methadone.
  - Very small number of patients represented from MMTP/OTP's.
- Clinical Indications
  - The treatment of chronic nonmalignant pain.
  - The treatment of opioid use disorders/opioid addiction from a Federally Certified dispensing program.
- What does this medicine do?
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  - Improves retention in addiction treatment, improves abstinence from opioids, reduces cost of the complications from continues opioid use.
  - Compared to buprenorphine, methadone is similar in terms of the above factors.
  - Anecdotally, some IV opioid patients do better with methadone.
    - Pharmacology, and the structure of the clinic.

### 3. Naltrexone (Revia-oral) Vivitrol (injectable depo-naltrexone)

- Potent mu receptor antagonist.
- Short half-life 8-12 hours.
- The drug is safe, but use of this medicine in certain populations increases mortality due to unintentional overdose risk in the setting of reverse tolerance.
  
- Clinical Indications
  - The treatment of opioid or alcohol addiction.
  - Gambling disorders.
  - CPSS/Fibromyalgia in low doses.
  
- What does this medicine do?
  - Reduces craving.
  - May induce withdrawal, precipitated withdrawal if administered to a patient who is still physiologically dependent on opioids.
  - The injectable form is a chemical restraint against opioid relapse for between 21-28 days.
    - Increases the post-discharge death rates of IVDA-opioid patients.
  - Nobody with Opioid Use Disorder will take the oral version.
  - PATIENTS NEED TO WEAR A MEDICAL ALERT BRACELET FOR EMS.

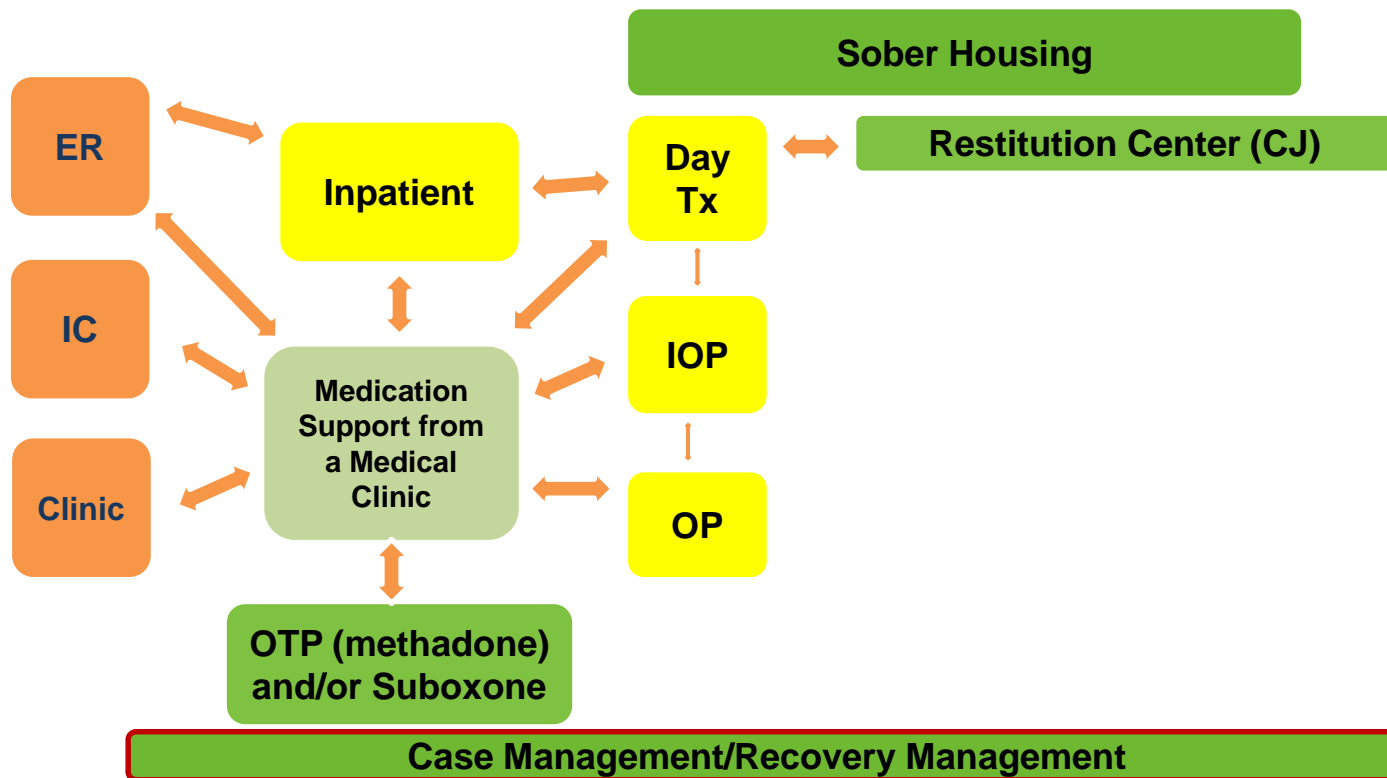


# Severe SUD Patient Experience



# A Fully Integrated Medical Home for Recovery

A FULLY DEVELOPED SYSTEM: Accountable Care Organization



# Additional Challenges

- “Low-quality MAT programs” that do not hold patients accountable.
  - Cash for buprenorphine programs
  - No Urine Monitoring
  - Infrequent follow-up visits
- “Rigid/Inaccessible programs” that provide access to medication support in exchange for rigid standards around total abstinence.
  - Stage-of-change mismatch
  - Mandatory Tapering – *Punitive* Tapering
  - Barriers to real-world engagement- like employment
  - Often abandon patients who are not successful
    - Blaming the patient who is “not ready”

# Additional Challenges

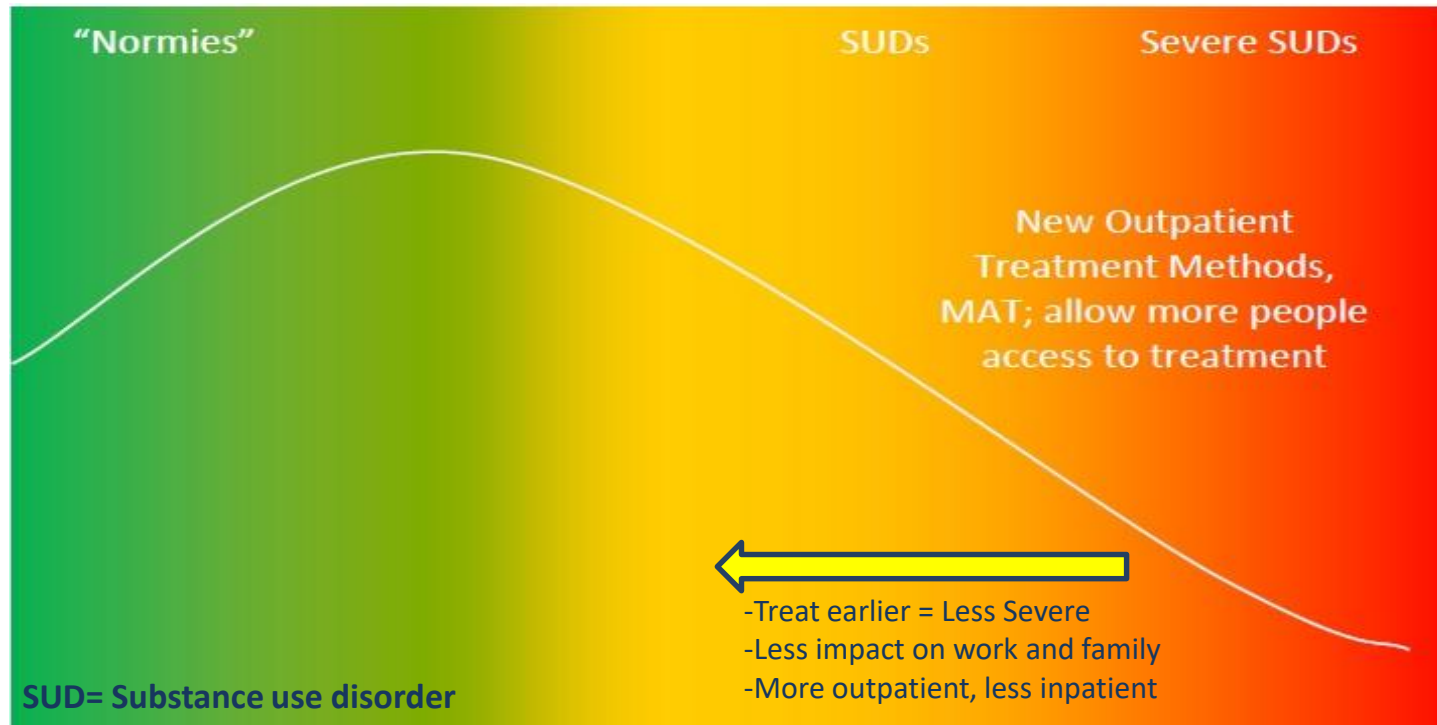
Ok- I am a prescriber but I don't just want to prescribe. The patient needs treatment and...

- I don't know anything about addiction treatment.
- I am willing to do this but I don't want to do it alone.
- When to treat and when to refer?

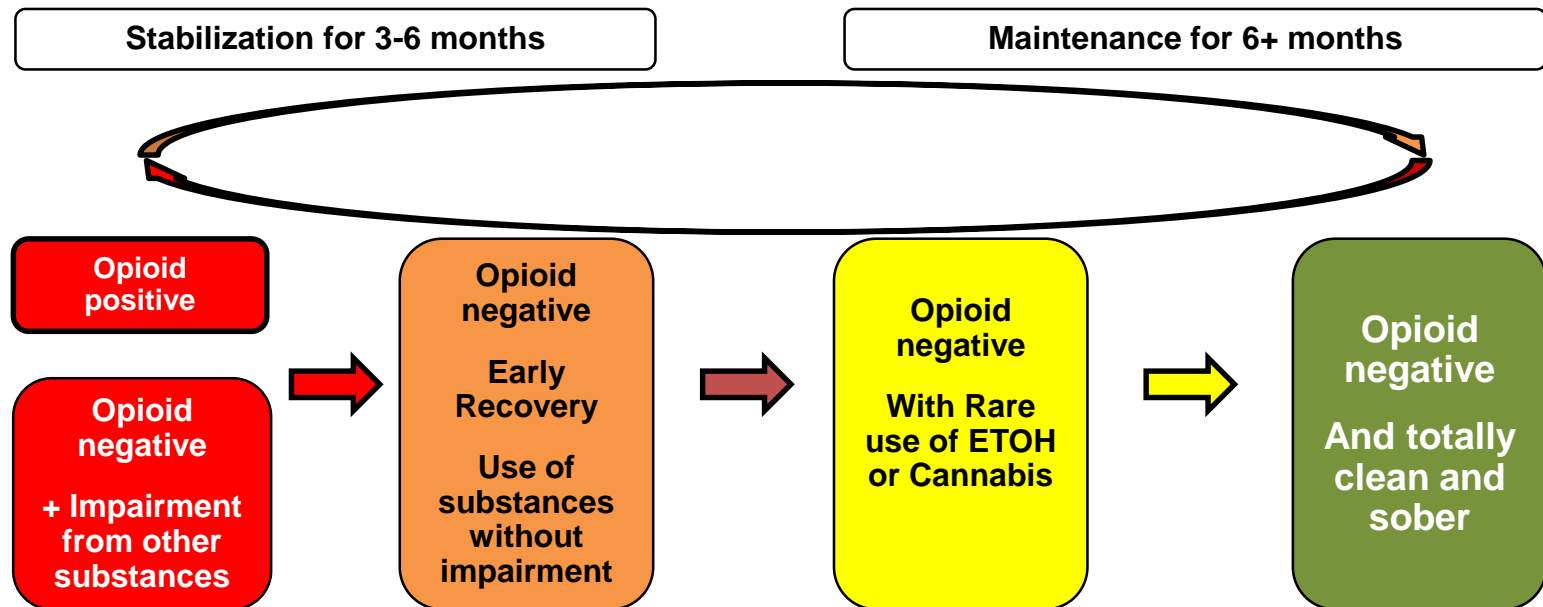
# Who to Care for and How to care for Them?

- What segment of the SUD population are you capable of helping?
- Who can help you help?
- Who doesn't want to do anything differently?
- How can you work together to collaboratively care for more patients?

# Medication Support Allows More Patients To Enter Treatment:



# Defining Treatment Phases/Programming



It is critical to consider clinical stage of change and your program's threshold for management of a pre-contemplative patient population. This is particularly important considering cannabis and/or episodic alcohol use.

It is ALSO critical to have an expedited pathway for clinical non-responders to Medication Support

# What About Patients with Pain Issues and Co-Occurring Addiction?



# Which One Has a Substance Use Disorder?



Why does that matter?

Where do issues/challenges overlap?



# Who Has a Substance Use Disorder?



## Patient #1

PDMP Report: Compliant  
PMD: Compliant  
Salience: None  
Withdrawal: Yes

Diagnoses: Cervical Spondylosis 722.10  
Lumbar Spondylosis 752.20  
-Phys. Opioid Dependency

### Medication Package:

Buprenorphine 4mg sl bid

Hydromorphone 4mg bid prn

Lyrica 100mg bid

Cymbalta 90mg qhs

Tizanidine 4mg qhs prn

Topical NSAID prn

# Who Has a Substance Use Disorder?



## Patient #2

Divorced 37 y.o. 2 kids- Manages Retail Store  
L-Spine w a/p Fusion – (total of 3 surgeries)

Previous medication package:

Hydrocodone/APAP 10/325 qid

Cyclobenzaprine 10mg bid

Divorce → Loss of insurance → meds stopped

“I’m sick and by back hurts, I can’t stand on my feet all day to go to work” – No insurance

# Who Has a Substance Use Disorder?



## Patient #3

PDMP Report:	Compliant
PMD:	Compliant
Salience:	None
Withdrawal	Yes
Diagnoses:	Lumbar Spondylosis 752.20 -Phys. Opioid Dependency

Initial Treatment Plan: Buprenorphine 1mg sl bid  
Cyclobenzaprine 10mg bid

New Insurance → Butrans 20mcg/h, Lyrica 100mg bid, Tizanidine 4mg

Arms/Hands go numb → Severe multi-level Cervical DDD/DJD → 4 level C Lam

Post-op → Rotate to pre-op regimen → Insurance change → s.l. bupe+CBP  
Key Outcome is FUNCTIONALITY

# Who Has a Substance Use Disorder?



## Patient #3

College-bound 26 y.o.  
C4-T2 bilat laminectomies with  
Posterior fusion of all levels

Why?

Presented with fever and progressive dyspnea...

6<sup>th</sup> month of IVDA → C4 Epidural Abscess

4 week hospitalization → 6 week SNF → 10 months of rehabilitation

Spastic quadriplegia – ambulatory, loss of all fine motor  
– neurogenic bladder, and L. ext. spasticity

# Who Has a Substance Use Disorder?



## Patient #3

PDMP Report: Didn't have one  
PMD: Didn't have one  
Saliency: Yes – Opioids, THC, Alcohol  
Withdrawal: Yes  
Diagnoses: **Substance use disorder-Severe**  
**-Opioid w physiological dep.**  
Quadriplegia

Reports persistent craving for opioids with extremity pain/spasticity  
ZERO pain – at his operative site

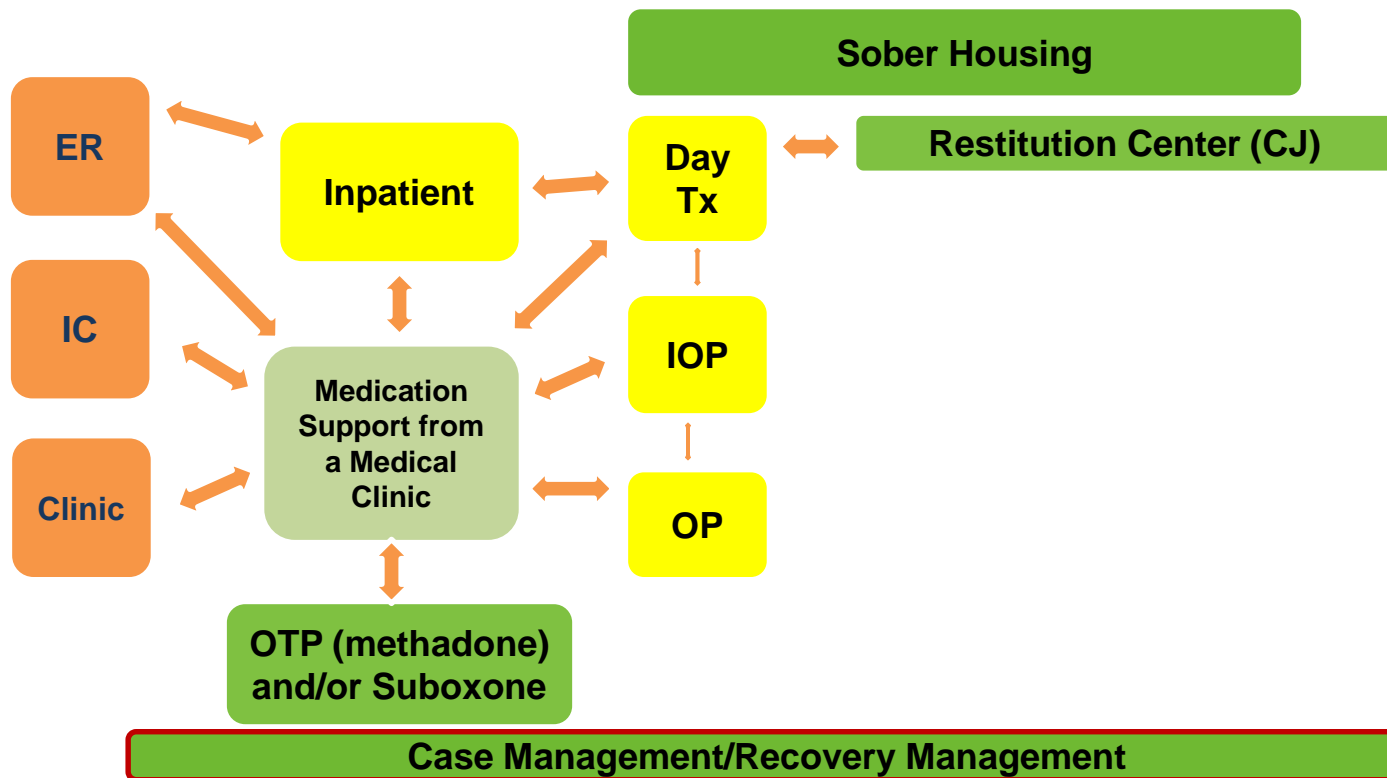
Referred on Suboxone 24mg, Diazepam 10x3, Baclofen, Vistaril,

Month 29- Suboxone 1mg/day, Clonazepam 0.5mg qhs, escitalopram 20  
Baclofen 10mg tid

Stressors → Relapse, Methamphetamines, Psychosis, Back to Treatment  
and now in Recovery 5 years after initial presentation.

# A Fully Integrated Medical Home for Recovery

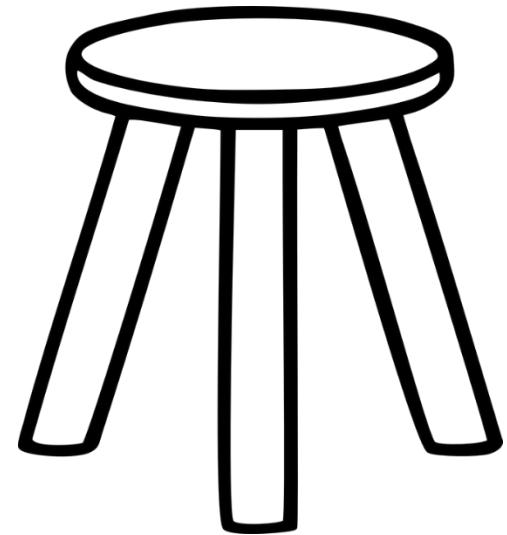
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# Integrated Components of Successful OUD Treatment

- Medication to break the intoxication-withdrawal-craving cycle
- A Safe Place to Call Home
- Living Wage Employment
- Meaningful Relationships
- Behavioral Therapy



Courtesy: Dr. Paul Lewis

# Concluding Thoughts

1. What can you do to provide increased access to evidence-based practices for the treatment of substance use disorders?
2. What are the barriers that exist for you to successfully achieve the above?
3. Who can you ask for support and development of these services within your regional continuum?

# Thank You

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- [Andrew.mendenhall@ccoconcern.org](mailto:Andrew.mendenhall@ccoconcern.org)



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# Question #3: My patients on MAT are just not ready to be sober

Strongly  
Disagree

Neutral

Strongly  
Agree

# Medication Supported Recovery For Opioid Use Disorders

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Deputy Director, CODA



# Agenda

- MAT Across Treatment Settings
- Changing Our Expectations and Practices
- Changing Our Environment

# Medication Overview

## Methadone

- Most common
- Highly regulated
- OTP based

## Buprenorphine

- Brand name: Subutex or Suboxone
- Less regulated
- Physician prescribed (MD/DO/NP/PA)

## Naltrexone

- Opioid & alcohol
- Once daily tablet
- Vivitrol

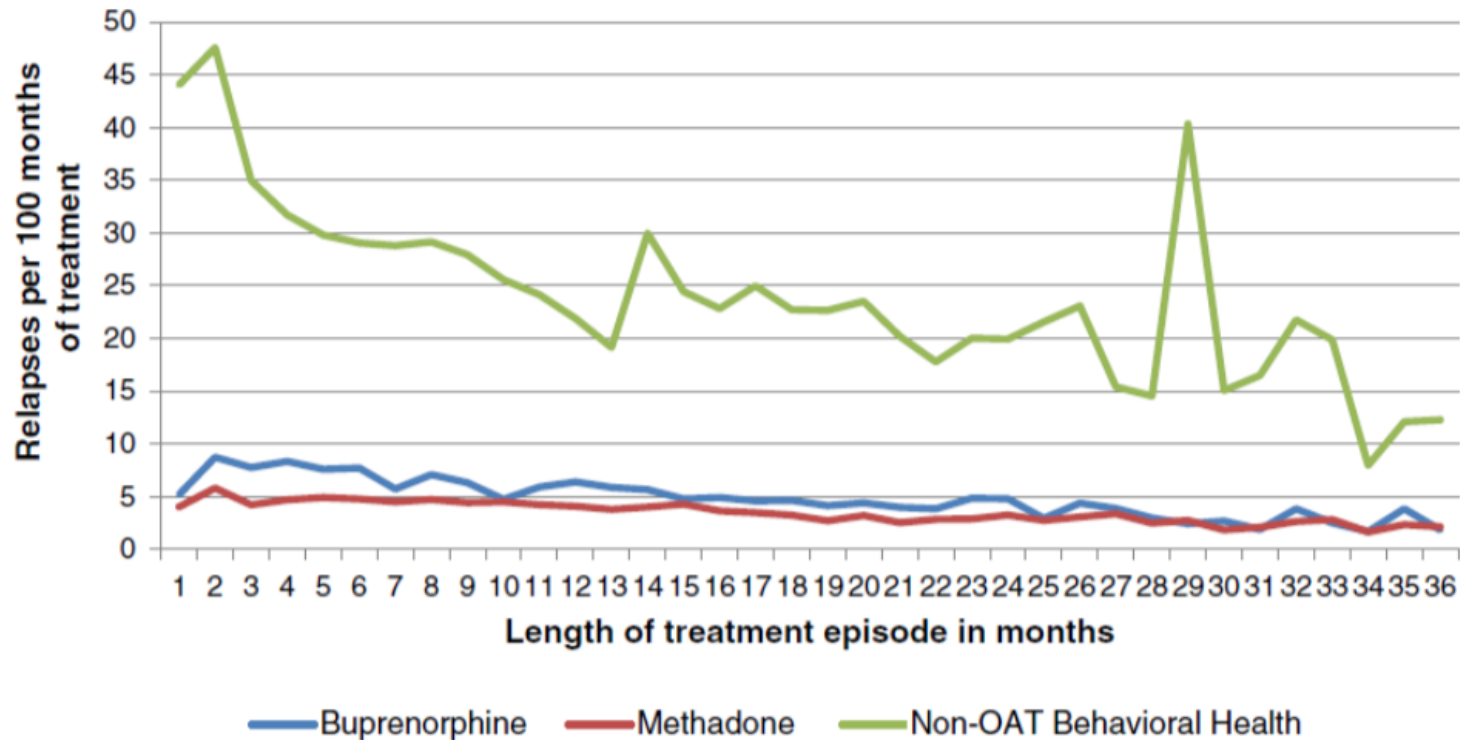


	Key Components	Medications Available	Recommended For
<b>Opioid Treatment Program (OTP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily dispensing of medications by nursing staff</li> <li>• Federal/State/Accrediting requirements of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>&gt; Admissions</li> <li>&gt; Take Home dosing</li> <li>&gt; Psychosocial treatment support</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Methadone</li> <li>• Buprenorphine</li> <li>• Naltrexone</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Needing daily contact or structure</li> <li>• Pregnant</li> <li>• Long history of opioid use disorder</li> <li>• Primary intravenous use</li> <li>• Homeless with little/no recovery support</li> </ul>
<b>Office-Based Opioid Treatment (OBOT)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Physician-driven prescriptions and refills</li> <li>• Minimal regulation of associated behavioral health treatments</li> <li>• Lesser capacity for monitoring prescription adherence</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Buprenorphine</li> <li>• Naltrexone</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Motivated for treatment</li> <li>• Peer or Family recovery support</li> <li>• Shorter duration of opioid use disorder</li> </ul>

**Question #4: When I think about adding MAT to my clinic, this is how I feel (text any word or phrase)**

# When Do We Recommend Medications?

R.E. Clark et al. / Journal of Substance Abuse Treatment xxx (2015) xxx-xxx



# The Changing Landscape: Beyond “Fail First”

TIP Expert Panel: All patients with OUD should be informed about risks/benefits of medications



# The Changing Landscape: Expanding MAT in Behavioral Health

**WHEELHOUSE**  
EXPANDING RECOVERY OPTIONS

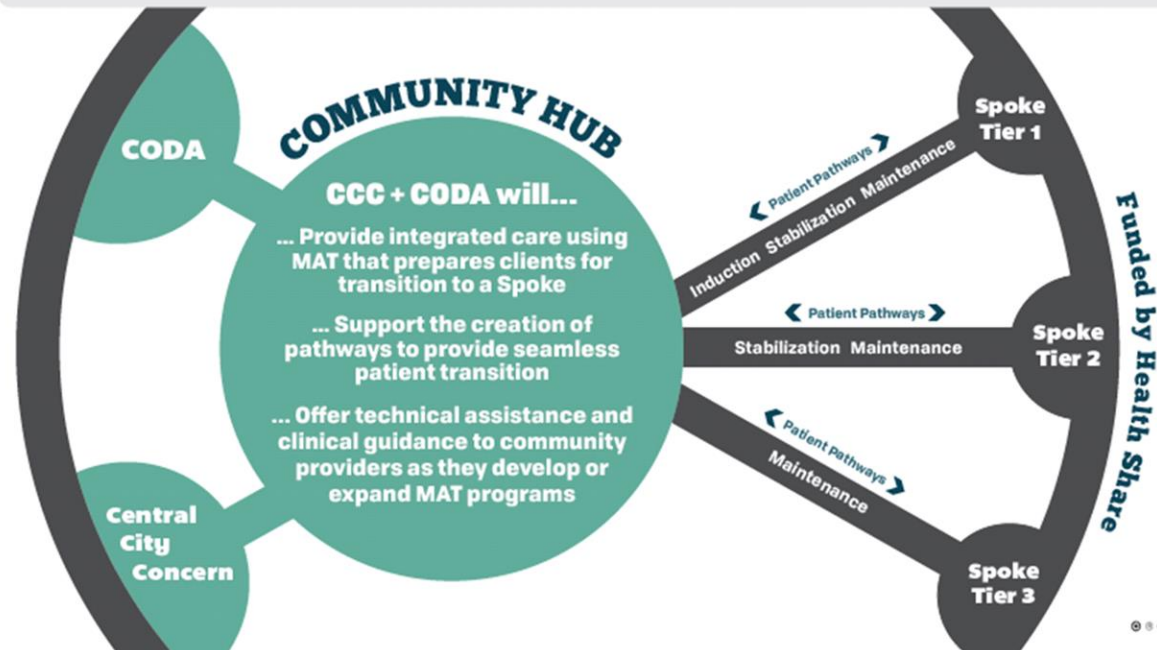
A COLLABORATION TO EXPAND  
RECOVERY OPTIONS IN THE TRI-COUNTY AREA

**1 in 10**



**individuals is receiving  
necessary treatment for  
opioid use disorder.**

To address this gap in treatment, **Health Share of Oregon** is funding a new model of care for opioid use disorder treatment in the Tri-County Area. Referred to as Wheelhouse, the model will be led by **Central City Concern (CCC)** and **CODA**, who will work together to increase access to **Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)** in **Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas counties**, and ensure patients can move seamlessly across levels of care without disrupting access to treatment.



# The Changing Landscape: Expanding MAT in Behavioral Health

<b>Phase One:</b> <b>Understanding the Environment and            Generating Commitment</b> <b>October 2016 – March 2017</b>	<b>Phase Two:</b> <b>Resourcing the Community</b> <b>April 2017 – March 2018</b>	<b>Phase Three:</b> <b>Incentivizing MAT Continuity</b> <b>April 2018 – September 2018</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Environmental scan and resource assessment</li> <li>• Conceptualization of inter-agency, community Hub</li> <li>• Definition of participation requirements and program structure</li> <li>• Initial outreach to all Tri-County SUDS providers</li> <li>• Create logic model/conceptual framework</li> <li>• Determine program reporting: outcomes and evaluation plan (short-term outputs and long-term, global outcomes)</li> <li>• Program introduction/Spoke recruitment (Phase 1)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continued Spoke recruitment (Phase 2)</li> <li>• Create weighted attainment funding model and start distributing funds</li> <li>• Community DATA Waiver training</li> <li>• MOU's/inter-agency agreements establish membership in WH network</li> <li>• Model development: learning collaborative strategy as method for information dissemination and network development</li> <li>• Individualized technical assistance (TA) to Spokes</li> <li>• Hub shadowing opportunities</li> <li>• Integrate relevant services and establish pathways for patients in the community Hub</li> <li>• Partnership with CareOregon to assist with Learning Collaboratives</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maintain network development and reduce practice variation via learning collaboratives and common data gathering</li> <li>• Pilot MAT programs</li> <li>• Potential for inter-agency ROI/data-sharing</li> <li>• Continued funding contingent on attainment benchmarks (Health Share presentation)</li> <li>• Propose/develop sustainable funding model</li> <li>• Continue spread of Hub and Spoke model, with potential for community expansion</li> <li>• Initial evaluation</li> </ul>

# The Changing Landscape: Regulatory Shifts

- Oregon Administrative Rules (OARs)
  - Prohibit policies that require titration as condition of entering or continuing treatment
  - Allow continuation of MAT based on patient choice and provider recommendation
  - Prohibit transfer of patients based on desire to initiate or continue medication
- Health Evidence Review Commission (HERC)
  - Programs must inform, offer access to, and support MAT (*including at least one agonist therapy*)
  - Detoxification alone is likely ineffective for long-term benefit

# How Can You Help?

- Changing a “Fail First” mentality
- Medication ≠ Motivation
- Patient preference isn’t suspect
- Accepting what the science (and our patients) tell us
- Look for partners and ask questions!



# Question #5: Methadone is for people who just can't do it any other way

Strongly  
Disagree

Neutral

Strongly  
Agree

# On the Front Lines

Amy Jo Cook

Dan Hall

Community Paramedics

Clackamas Fire District #1

# NBC News with Lester Holt



# Project Hope

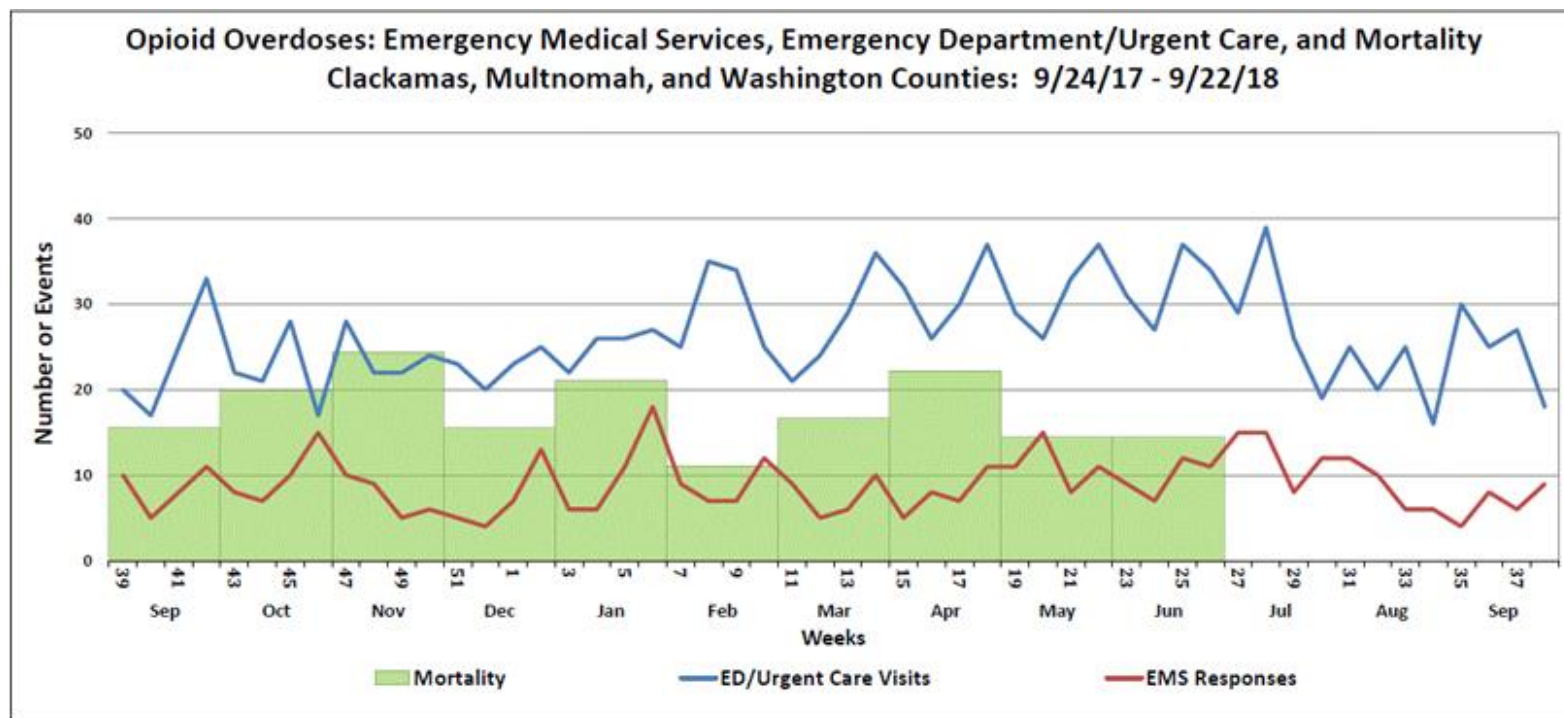


Recovery Supports for Overdose Survivors

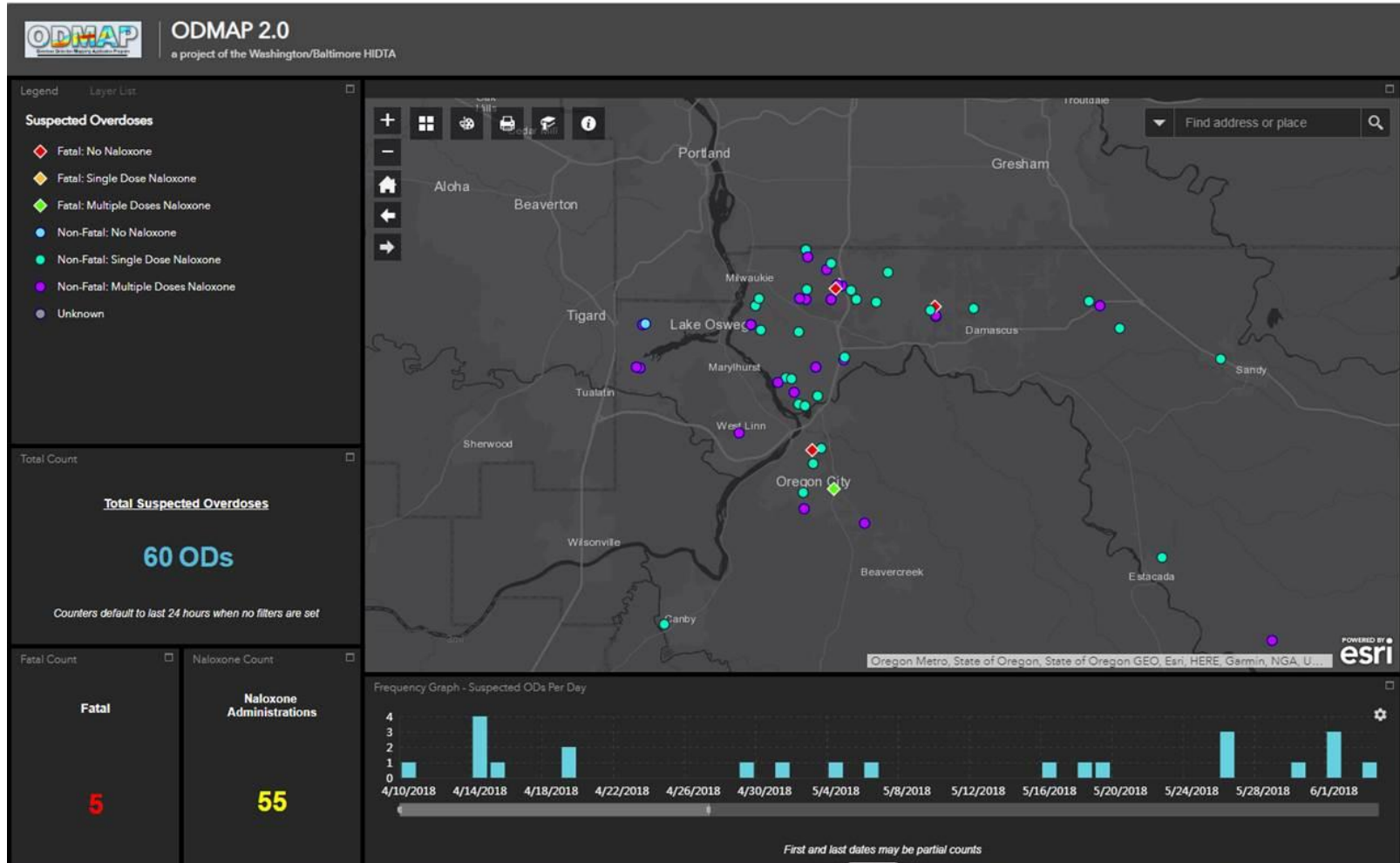
Clackamas Fire District #1, AMR Clackamas County, Clackamas County Public Health



# Overdose Surveillance – Tri-County



# Overdose Surveillance in Clackamas County





# Resuscitate Then Navigate

- Although naloxone is an effective agent for reversing the physiological effects, it has no long-term impact on the patient's desire to use opioids again.
- EMS agencies play a critical role in their communities' response to the opioid epidemic and its time we switch our approach by transitioning to a recovery-oriented system of care.
- This includes expanding the focus to include opportunities to help the patient by providing a warm handoff from the 9-1-1 response to the systems available to help with recovery.

# A recovery-oriented approach

- Through an innovative pilot project, Clackamas County agencies are partnering to build a more comprehensive response model in our county.
- Follow-up by a Community Paramedic in the home setting shortly after the overdose occurs.
- After an assessment is completed, patients will be navigated to treatment and recovery services in the community (inpatient, outpatient and community-based services) with a longer-term plan established.
- MAT is a tool in our toolbox that has been effective for folks we engage with.



# Goals of the project:

- Reduce the number of people who overdose on opioids, thereby decreasing future 911 calls and hospital readmissions.
- Improve the quality of life for patients with substance use disorders.
- Bridge gaps in care by connecting vulnerable patients to treatment and other critical resources.



Break

# Successful Implementation

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OHSU South Waterfront

Stacie Andoniadis, CareOregon,

Primary Care Innovations Specialist



# Why I began to treat and implement treatment within Primary Care

- Saw value in treating my patients holistically
  - Created trust and safety for patients
  - Appropriate patients were able to seek treatment in one place
- It wasn't scary – inductions and patient care was easier than I thought
- Reduce some barriers my patients were experiencing
- Found value in teaching fellow clinicians, residents
- Doing my part related to opioid epidemic and complex pain

# What we did: Over the course of several years

- Created workflows and policies
  - Standard timing between intake and prescribing
  - Utilizing EPIC pools and tools for population patient mgt, DEA requirements
- Utilized Team-Based Care and leveraged current staff interested and abilities
  - BH team complete intakes saw pt before or after PCP for warm hand off/ brief check-in or referral to SBH
  - Allocated staff time for patient access specialists to complete prior auths (as needed) ROI's, requests for records
- Implemented multi-disciplinary team meetings (PCP, support staff, BH team) to review pt care, complex patients, best practices and workflows
- Created and utilized MAT SmartSet to assist providers with safe and efficient patient care
  - Labs
  - COWS scores
  - Specialty referrals
  - Resources for tapers, anxiety, sleep

# What we suggest when thinking about implementing in primary care

- Have a clinical, operational and support staff champion team
- Leadership buy-in is key: Medical director and clinical manager support
- Address provider and staff educational and bias barriers
  - Fear of patient population
  - Fear of inductions- its not that bad
- Decide which tools, policies, workflow align with your clinic's staff and population prior to prescribing
  - What basic safety pieces need to be addressed?
- Standardize what you can, and leave room for Provider discretion

# Panel Q&A

# CareOregon Metro strategy and next steps for MAT, opioids and SUD

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Network and Clinical Support



# CareOregon Metro: Intentionally Aligning Regional Strategies, Priorities and the Quadruple Aim

- **Enhancing Patient Experience:** payment models supporting team-based care, BH integration, and health care transformation
- **Improving Population Health:** Focusing on ED and hospital transitions, population segmentation models for targeted interventions, PreManage and enhanced care coordination
- **Reducing Costs:** specialty behavioral health coordination, Trauma Informed Care spread, reducing waste to allow funding for higher priorities, enhancing health care transformation
- **Reducing Provider Burnout:** optimizing team-based care, staff working to top of license, support for ongoing education, training and specialty support, coordination for social needs.

# MAT: An Intervention to Help Meet the Quadruple Aim!

## 1) Enhance Patient Experience

- Helps manage chronic SUD so people can **improve function and more effectively engage in their health care goals**

## 2) Improve Population Health

- **Improves outcomes (death, disability, and social dysfunction)** for those suffering from SUD's complex social and neurological interplay

## 3) Reduce Costs

- MAT is associated with **reduction in ED and hospital utilization**, allowing funds to be redirected towards care coordination, peers, and other BH and social determinants support

## 4) Reduce Provider Burnout

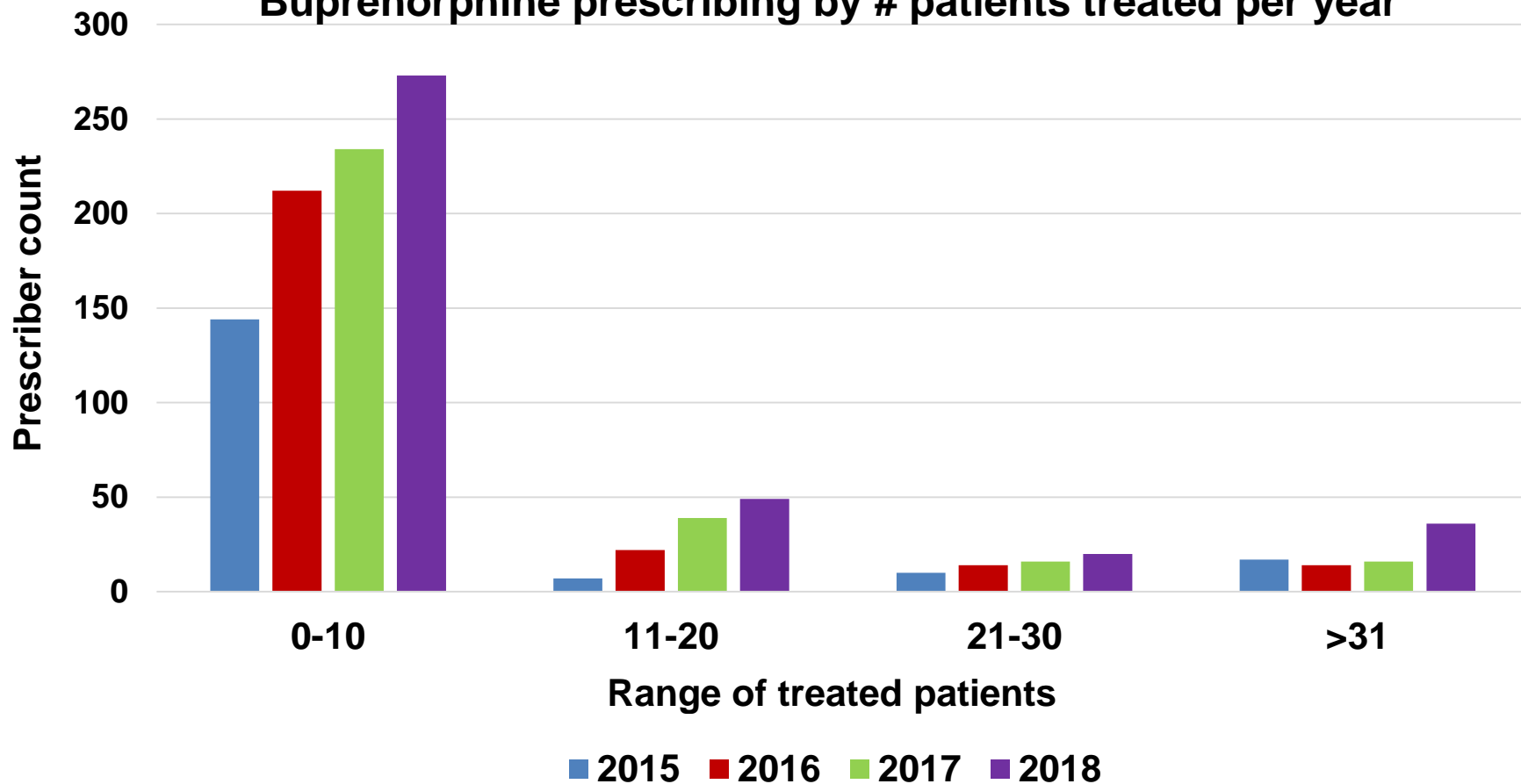
- MAT in appropriate environment (primary care or specialty behavioral health) for appropriate patients can allow for **better relationships with the health care system and providers via trauma informed care and improved outcomes**

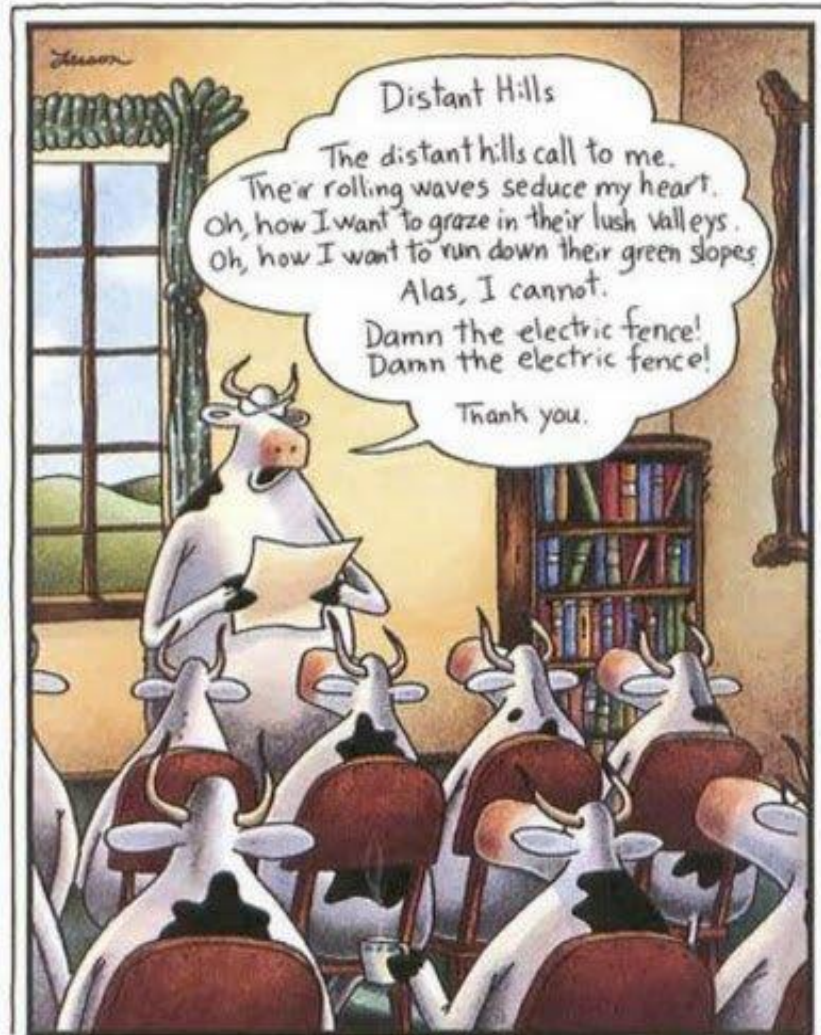
"If we lose love and self respect for each other,  
this is how we finally die"  
-Maya Angelou

# Current Happenings: Collaboration and Alignment: Primary Care, MAT, SUD, BHI

- Ongoing support for health care transformation, team-based care, integrated behavioral health in clinics
- Implementation guide to aid operationalizing MAT in Primary Care in development
- EMR tools development support for MAT
- Oregon ECHO Network: upcoming session on MAT implementation
- Collaboration and funding support from CareOregon and Health Share for hospital programs, clinic based interventions, and specialty BH bridge clinics and care coordination models/staffing
- Payment model new steps towards PH/BH alignment in 2019
- CareOregon Social Workers at Unity PES now connected to Hooper and DePaul, to support referral pathways
- Opioids: quarterly review with CO network clinics, consistent focus on highest risk targets: high MED and benzo co-prescribing, steps to limit new acute prescribing

## Buprenorphine prescribing by # patients treated per year





Cow poetry

## Next Steps: Supporting MAT for Primary Care Providers and Clinics...

I want to Prescribe Medication Assisted Treatment and need technical assistance getting started

I am unsure if I want to prescribe Medication Assisted Treatment and need more information to decide

I want to better understand who to refer my patients to for evaluation and possibly induction

I/my clinic is currently prescribing and believe we need additional staffing or to upscale current staff to make it work

We are currently providing MAT and things are going pretty well

**want to Prescribe Medication Assisted Treatment and need Technical Assistance getting started. Common Technical Assistance needs could be:**

Needing Trauma-Informed Care training  
for our staff

Needing an implementation checklist

Clinicians need to become X-waivered

Identifying administrative policies and  
workflows

Optimizing team-based care

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Coordination with specialty SUD system  
of care (including expert support)



**I am unsure if I want to prescribe Medication Assisted Treatment and need more information to decide. Common concerns/barriers could include:**

Fear of inductions **A**

Lack of institutional support and/or staff training on Trauma Informed Care (+/- stigma) **B**

Limited in-clinic team based care support (lack of integrated BH, social workers, care coordinators, etc.) **C**

Need an implementation tool kit **D**

Want connection to others doing this work to troubleshoot and get support **E**

Need expert backup or specialty BH referral support **F**

# I want to better understand who to refer my patients to for evaluation and possibly induction

- Local organizations are available to partner
- The behavioral health system has a relatively new program in the metro area (Wheelhouse "hub and spoke model") that aims to be a coordinated system of care for evidence-based SUD treatment through specialty BH
- Goal for population segmentation for referrals into Specialty Behavioral Health or Primary Care based upon patient need, with standard handoffs between the two as appropriate.

# I/my clinic is currently prescribing and feel we could help support a peer primary care provider

Are you currently prescribing and feel you could help support a peer primary care provider?

If yes, we would love to hear from you!

**Name**

**Clinic**

**Current # of MAT patients**

Email questions and technical assistance requests to

**Stacie Andionadis**, CareOregon Metro Primary Care Innovation

Specialist [Andoniadiss@careoregon.org](mailto:Andoniadiss@careoregon.org)

# Selected MAT implementation resources:

Oregon Pain Guidance:

<https://www.oregonpainguidance.org/>

American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine trainings:

<https://education.aoaam.org/>

American Society of Addiction Medicine (SAMSHA):

<https://www.asam.org/education/resources/pcss-mat>

Provider Clinical Support System Clinical Coaching:

<https://pcssnow.org/mentoring/>

ASAM/PCSS Clinical Resources:

<https://pcssnow.org/resources/resource-category/clinical-resources/>

**“Quality means doing it right when no one is looking.”**

– Henry Ford (attributed)

**Additional Resources for Primary Care:**

**Trauma informed Oregon**

**<https://traumainformedoregon.org/>**

**Oregon Health Leadership Council HIT Commons (EDIE/PreManage)**

**<http://www.orhealthleadershipcouncil.org/hit-commons/>**

**Choosing Wisely**

**<http://www.choosingwisely.org/>**

**OPCA**

**<https://www.orpca.org/>**

**JAMA article on health care waste in Washington state:**

**<https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jamainternalmedicine/article-abstract/2695505>**

**Institute for Healthcare Improvement**

**<http://www.ihl.org/resources/Pages/Publications/10-IHI-Innovations-to-Improve-Health-and-Health-Care.aspx>**



“Although the world is full of suffering, it is also full of the overcoming of it.”

– Helen Keller

# Next Session:

# COPD



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# Thank you!