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# Take Home Messages







#### **Community Collaborations**

Successes	Challenges	Potential Solutions to Challenges
<ul> <li>Staff education about stigma</li> <li>Hospital Relationships with Healthy Start</li> <li>Monthly Department meetings</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Identifying women with OUD as early as possible</li> <li>Access to providers for Prenatal Care</li> <li>COVID-19 and virtual visits</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Packets with tools for providers</li> <li>Community partners working with hospitals to address stigma</li> <li>Coaching program similar to AA or NA using peer education</li> </ul>





### **Prenatal Screening**

Successes	Challenges	Potential Solutions to Challenges
<ul> <li>Screening tools, like 5 P's tool, built into EMR*</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Getting things started delayed due to COVID-related challenges (staffing especially, but also IT back- up)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Building screening tools into your EMR</li> <li>Tablet connected to the EMR for patient completion of screening (assists with</li> </ul>
Note: Most are using 5 P's tool, some NIDA, SBIRT	<ul> <li>Consistent use of the tool and Data collection – capturing whether screening is actually happening</li> <li>Privacy challenges - Patients aren't completely truthful when screening completed verbally vs written</li> </ul>	privacy)





#### **Prenatal and Inpatient MAT Referrals**

Successes	Challenges	Potential Solutions to Challenges
<ul> <li>Close relationship with local treatment institutions (DACCO, Hart)</li> <li>Nursing initiated consult to start MAT (OBGYNs are informed the process has started);</li> <li>Coordination between treatment facilities and hospitals to access patient records early and to standardize education/message between institutions</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Patients not willing to accept referral to MAT/BH (patients may not be ready to accept diagnosis)</li> <li>Capacity issue for providers that provide MAT (one provider takes on most/all patients in a community); putting themselves at risk (liability, reimbursement, time-consuming, comorbidities)</li> <li>Patients not comfortable having to go to a clinic or treatment institution due to COVID (residential facility outbreak)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Education to patients to get passed patient fear</li> <li>Improve communication between MAT providers and OBGYNs</li> <li>Travelling MAT team that come to the OBGYN office to provide treatment and connect to local treatment facility (New Hampshire)</li> </ul>





#### **NARCAN**

Successes	Challenges	Potential Solutions to Challenges
<ul> <li>Physician buy-in from hospital support for initiative</li> <li>Staff recognizing pts need for Narcan</li> <li>Providing Narcan to those who ask for it, especially their support person – and educating them</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Physician implicit bias → not prescribing</li> <li>Abruptness of pt. leaving</li> <li>Pharmacies will give pts Narcan without prescription if self pay, but more costly</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Collaboration with Pharmacy and Emergency Dept.</li> <li>Giving Narcan to those who ask for it (pts, partners, etc.)</li> <li>Hospitals/Healthy         Start/Community partners apply for DCF and grants and collaboration     </li> </ul>





#### Plans of Safe Care (POSC)

Successes/opportunities	Challenges/barriers	Potential Solutions to Challenges
<ul> <li>Patients with OUD get social worker consult—they reach out to Healthy Start</li> <li>Collaboration with private providers: HS presentation and office visits</li> <li>Set-up warm handoff with hospital; make connections with other service agencies (i.e. food bank, homeless shelters, criminal justice system); also behavioral health providers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Engagement of private providers, hospital personnel, getting men/dads/families involved in POSC</li> <li>Lack of information in electronic health records/hospitals not used to working on the issue**</li> <li>Moms sometimes aren't interested—POSC seen as punitive—needs new name!</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Need to focus on prenatal period to make connections</li> <li>MAT clinics as touchpoint for initiation of POSC**</li> <li>FQHC or other first encounter with prenatal care</li> <li>Brief tool for providers to use to make it easy to do POSC</li> <li>Training peers to work with moms</li> </ul>





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Drug-related deaths are the leading cause of pregnancy-associated deaths in Florida, and the death rates are increasing with COVID. As a chronic disease, these deaths are preventable and a call to action by hospitals and obstetrical providers.



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#### Dr. Iverson:

- Have hope.
- Collaborate to give and get help.
- Take the step, build your system and treat SUD as a chronic disease.

#### Dr. Lewis-O'Connor:

- Stigma, bias, and trauma-informed care training offers the opportunity for improved engagement with patients with SUD
- Stigma, bias, and trauma-informed care training offers a strategy towards health equity and social justice
- Stigma, bias, and trauma-informed care training can help mitigate vicarious trauma and facilitate staff and provider wellness

