RN Care Manager Role Treating Opioid Use Disorder

Integrated Care and the Expanding Role of Nurses

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DESIGNING AND REFINING POLICIES, PROTOCOLS, WORKFLOWS AND GUIDELINES

SESSION 4
LEARNING OBJECTIVES

- Identify foundational policies for treating Opioid Use Disorder
- Compare policies among organizations
- Identify quality assurance and quality improvement strategies regarding program policy
PURPOSE AND LIMITATIONS OF POLICIES

• Aligns with mission of program
• Describes who does what when
• Protects from risk or prevents bad outcomes
• Diminishes bias/special treatment
• Limits creativity
• Creates “hard lines”
• Implicit bias is embedded
Harborview Medical Center Adult Medicine Clinic OBOT

- To start buprenorphine, patient needed to provide UDT with only opiates and no other illicit substances

- *Rationale*: people heavily using other illicit substances would need a higher level of care than primary care could provide
DISCUSSION

• How does this policy protect from risk or bad outcome?

• How does this policy eliminate bias? How does this policy underscore bias?
Evaluation Of Policy

Linking patients with buprenorphine treatment in primary care: Predictors of engagement

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60\% of patients lost before starting medication
• HMC OBOT no longer requires UDT without illicit substances prior to starting buprenorphine treatment

• Evaluation of policy change is on-going

• Preliminary data suggests more people start, fewer people retained in treatment
• Look at policy (each group will bring policy/guideline/work flow we request)

• Discuss the following:
  – Alignment with mission
  – Risk reduction
  – Bias
  – Limitations
  – Evaluation
DISCUSS POLICY #1

• Small workgroups 10 minutes

• Large group discussion 5 minutes
DISCUSS POLICY #2

- Small workgroups 10 minutes
- Large group discussion 5 minutes
DISCUSS POLICY #3 (IF TIME PERMITS)

• Small workgroups 10 minutes
• Large group discussion 5 minutes
Prompt

1. Write down any big ideas from this session.
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