

Bridge the Divide:

Linking Inpatient and Outpatient Care for patient with Opioid Use Disorder

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Emergency Department



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Inpatient Hospital



Addiction Consult



Bridge Clinic



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- Diagnose and assess severity of OUD
- Start medical treatments in the hospital
 - Methadone, buprenorphine, naltrexone
 - Reduce:
 - Illicit drug use, overdose risk, transmission of infectious diseases
 - Improve health outcomes
- Address opioid withdrawal
 - Reduces risk of leaving AMA
 - Improves focus on medical/surgical problems
- Links to outpatient care

- Buprenorphine dose
- Duration of discharge prescriptions and ensure follow-up appointment is within this time frame
- Clinical documents confirming OUD diagnosis, prior treatments, any other substance use
- Needs regarding alcohol and/or benzodiazepine use or treatments
- QTC
- Complete list of medications

- Assumes care post hospitalization
- Easy access, often located within the hospital or nearby
- Continue treatment started in the hospital
 - Buprenorphine, naltrexone
- Helps patient stabilize their buprenorphine dose and other substance use which is common
- Frequent visits are common initially
 - 1-3x per week
 - Some complex cases, BZD tapers, daily visits similar to methadone clinics
- Community, low-barrier access to rapid care
- Once stable, refer patients to office based addiction treatment
 - Preferably with PCP
- Multidisciplinary team: RN, CM, MD, PA/NP, LICSW

- Primary care based addiction treatment
- Often nurse led with physician/PCP support
- Embedded in primary care
- May be initial site of addiction treatment OR
- Assumes addiction treatment after started in hospital and/or bridge clinics
- Encourage colleagues
 - get x-waiver to prescribe buprenorphine
 - Improve comfort with oral and intramuscular naltrexone

- Dedicated to pregnant and post-partum women
- Address unique and often stressful issues surrounding pregnancy, delivery, parenting, and DCF
- Often multidisciplinary teams
 - RN, MD, PA/NP, LICSW, Peer Recovery Specialists

- “Methadone Clinics”
- Arrange direct admissions from hospital to OTP
 - Each clinic has unique intake processes
- Referral information:
 - Note documenting presence of OUD, duration of opioid use, prior treatments, date and dose of last methadone administration
 - QTc
 - MTD dose ideally stable, often 30-60mg range
 - Instruct patient to arrive with ID the day after discharge, dose given in hospital day of discharge
- Daily dosing via OTP nurse
 - Stable patients may qualify for take-home doses when specific criteria are met

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Harm Reduction
Needle exchange
The Spot
Naloxone Distribution

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Discharge from ED

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From Community

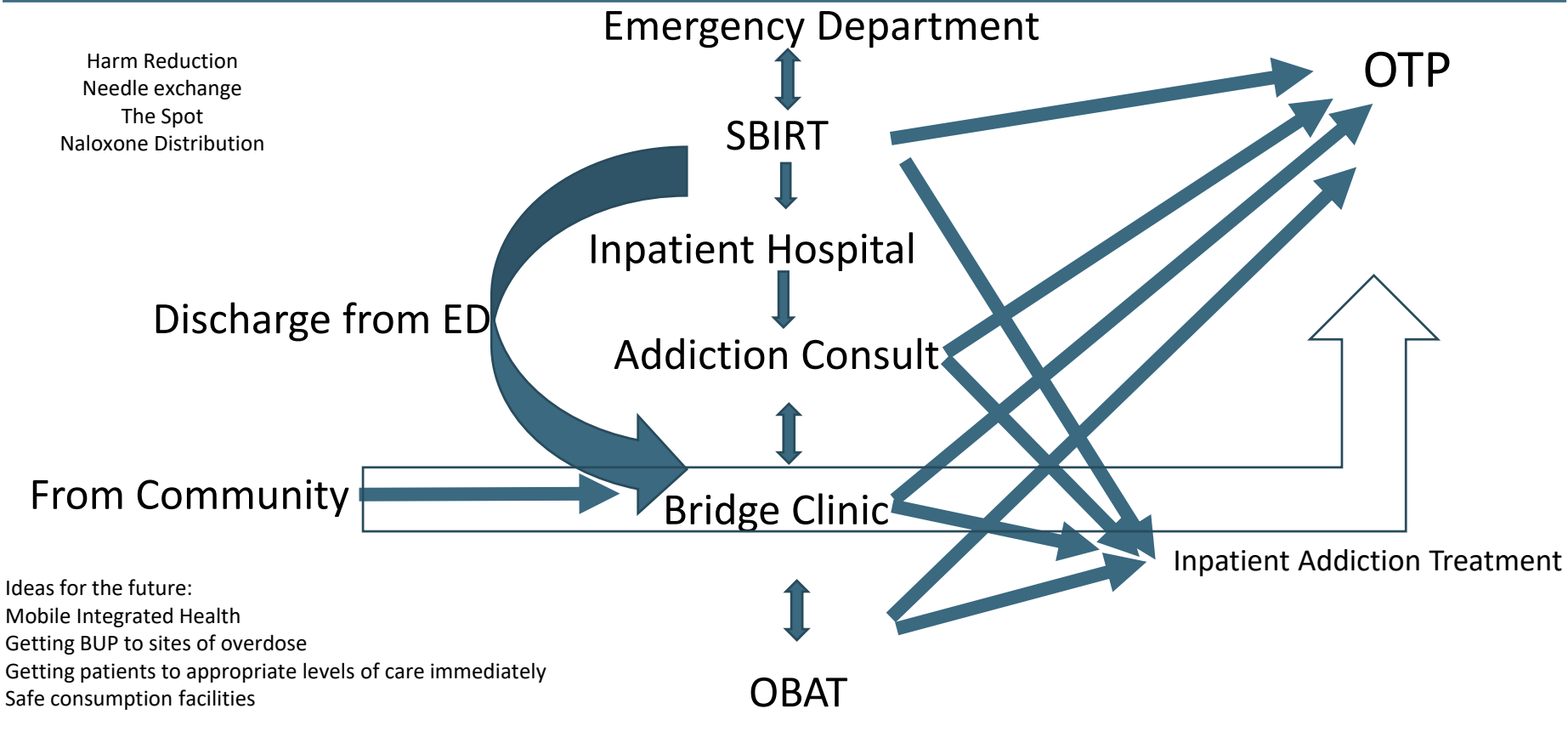
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Ideas for the future:

- Mobile Integrated Health
- Getting BUP to sites of overdose
- Getting patients to appropriate levels of care immediately
- Safe consumption facilities

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Thank You