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# Collaborative Care Model (CoCM) for Substance Use Disorders



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# Educational Objectives

- At the conclusion of this activity participants should be able to:
  - Define need for substance use treatment in primary care settings.
  - List evidence for Collaborative Care Model (CoCM) and usefulness in substance use disorder treatment.
  - Describe strategies to implement CoCM for substance use disorders.
  - Name clinical learning goals for teams to deliver CoCM for substance use disorders.

# Why do we need CoCM for Substance Use Disorders?

- Among people aged 12 or older in 2021, **70.3 million people** (or 24.9% of the population) used illicit drugs in the past year.
  - **8.9 million people** 12 and older misused opioids in the past year.
- **48.7 million people** aged 12 or older (or 17.3% of the population) met the applicable DSM-5 criteria for having a substance use disorder in the past year
  - **29.5 million people** who were classified as having an alcohol use disorder and 27.2 million people who were classified as having a drug use disorder.
- **In 2022, 94.7% of adults with a substance use disorder did not receive any treatment.**

# Collaborative Care Model (CoCM)

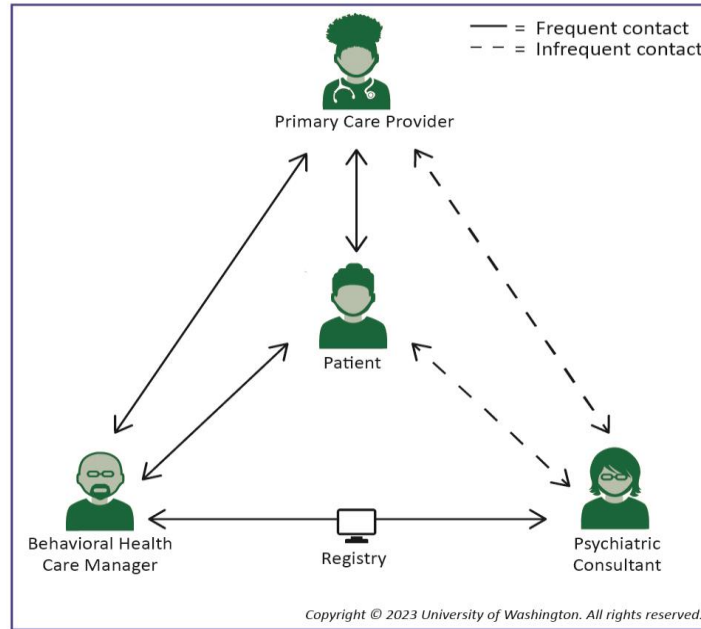


**Primary care  
patient-centered  
team-based care**

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**Registry to track  
population**



**Problem Solving Treatment (PST)**  
**Behavioral Activation (BA)**  
**Motivational Interviewing (MI)**  
**Medications**

**Active treatment with  
evidence-based approaches**



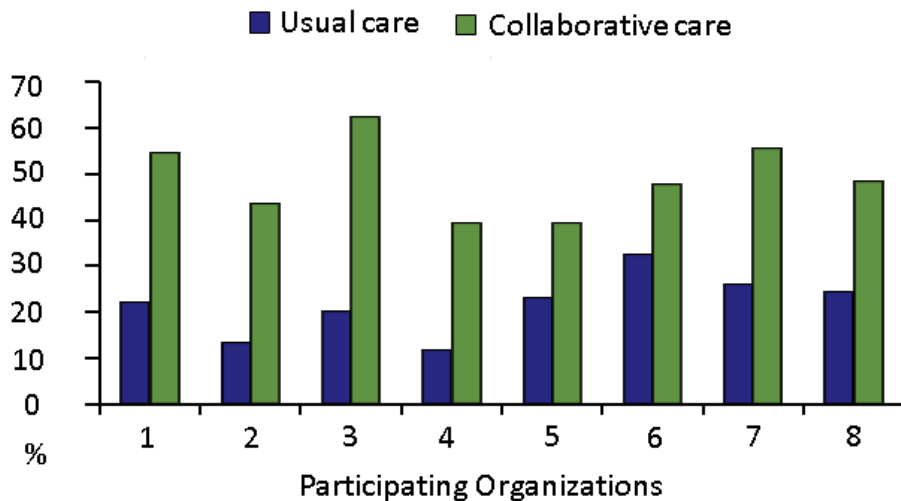
**Systematic caseload  
review with psychiatric  
consultant  
(focus on patients not  
improved)**



**Validated outcome  
measures tracked over time**

# Collaborative Care Model (CoCM) Achieves Quintuple Aim

## 50% or Greater Improvement In Depression at 12 Months



Usual Care 614 days, CoCM 86 days

- **Population Health Outcomes**
  - Increases access
  - Improves clinical outcomes
- **Reduces Total Cost of Care**
  - \$6.50 ROI
- **Provider Satisfaction**
  - Compared to usual care
  - Increased 25% compared to usual care
- **Patient Satisfaction**
  - Increased 25% compared to usual care
- **Reduces Health Disparities**
  - Equivalent or better outcomes in patients from Black or African American, Latinx, Asian, AI/AN groups compared to White patients

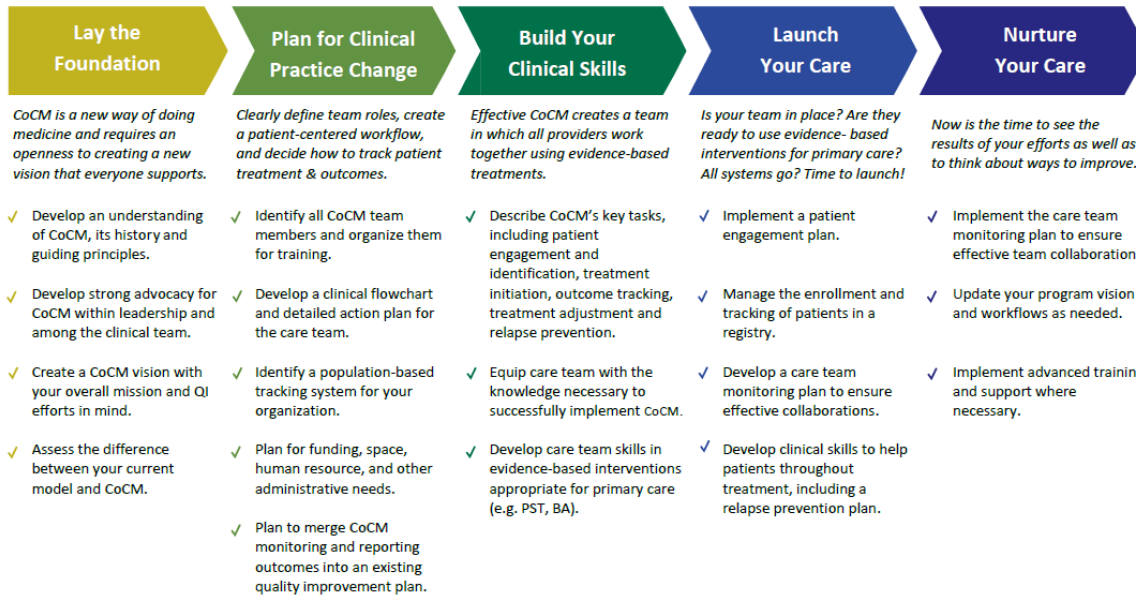
# SUMMIT Trial: Collaborative Care for Alcohol and Opioid Use Disorders

- Modifications to the Model:
  - Behavioral Health Care Manager (BHCM) delivered brief psychotherapy
  - mOUD/mAUD (buprenorphine/naloxone for OUD or long-acting injectable naltrexone for AUD)
- Outcomes: at 6 months
  - More access to treatment
  - More abstinence from alcohol and drugs



# Implementation Considerations

## Step by Step Collaborative Care (CoCM) Implementation Guide



# Phase 1: Lay the Foundation (3-12mo)

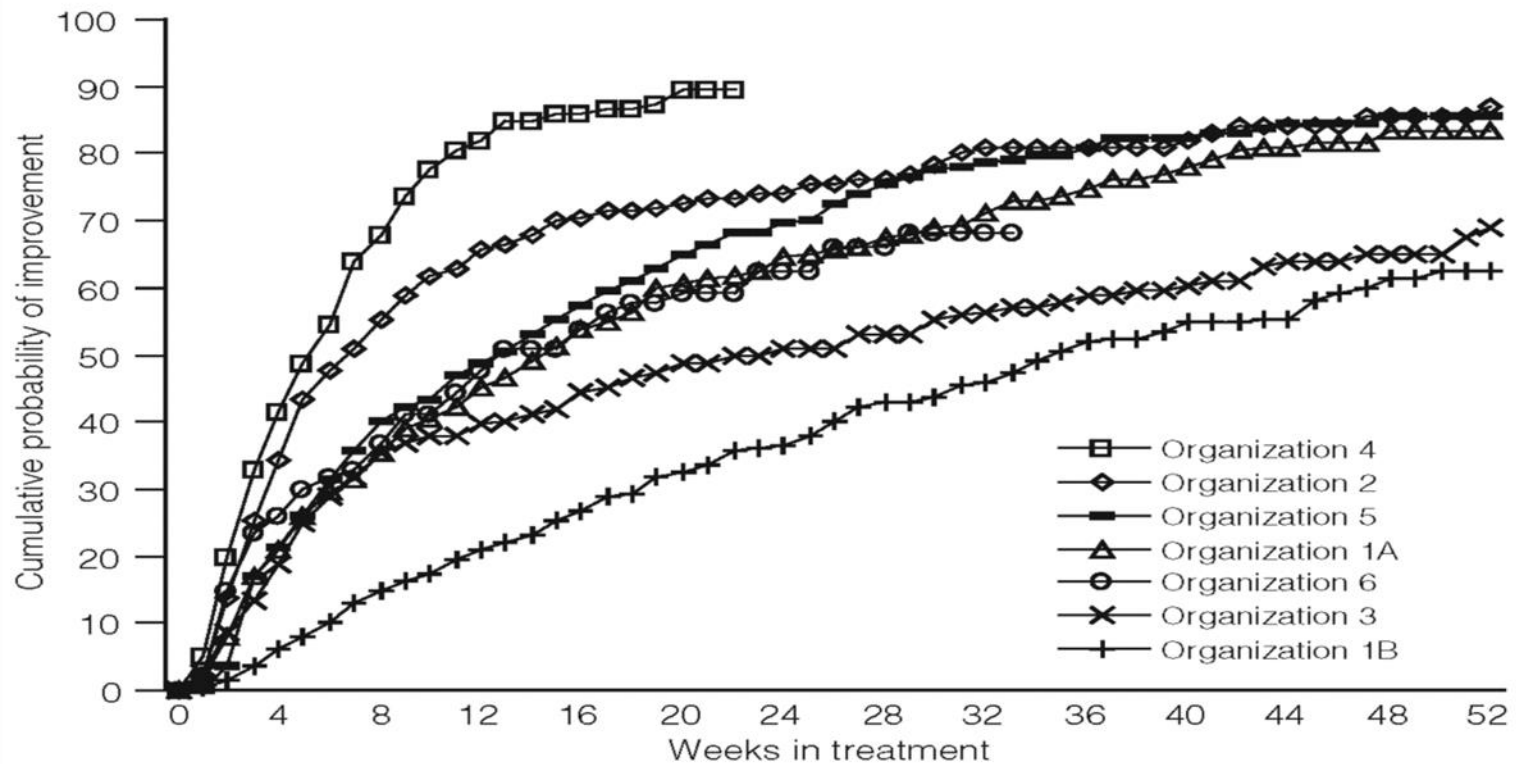
**This phase of implementation prepares the practice to make the commitment to practice change needed to deliver CoCM. This step identifies gaps between care as it is now and the future vision for access to SUD care.**

- Develop understanding of CoCM for SUD
- Enhance advocacy and commitment in practice for SUD care
- Create a vision for SUD care delivery

# Leadership and Buy-In

**Figure 1**

Estimated time elapsed between initial assessment and improvement of depression during the first year of treatment at six organizations<sup>a</sup>



<sup>a</sup> Estimates were truncated when ten or fewer patients remained in treatment at each site.

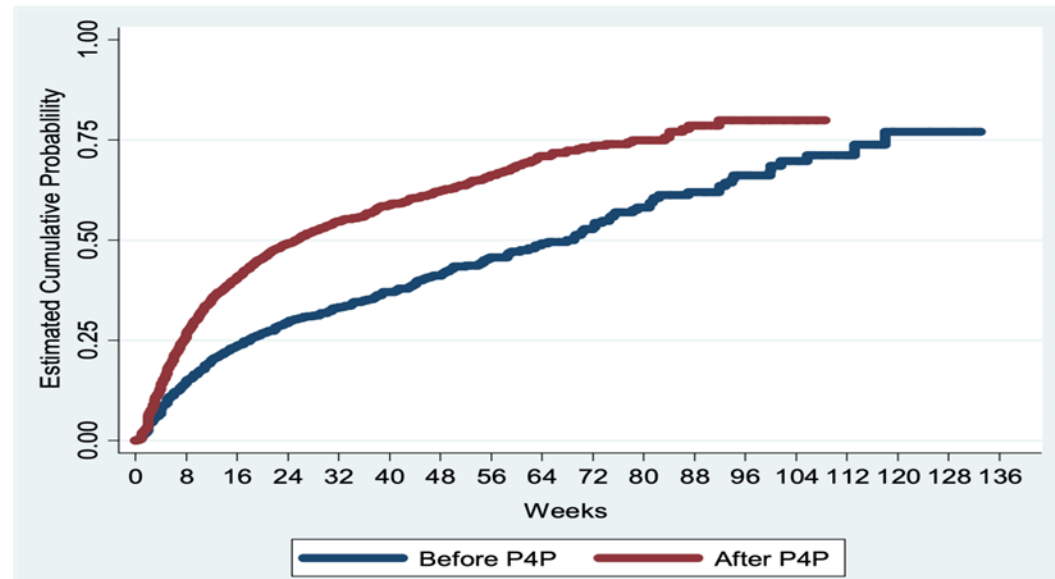
# Phase 2: Plan for Clinical Practice Change (3-6mo)

**Successful delivery of SUD care will require the whole team to work in new ways. This phase allows the team to consider the workflows and training needed.**

- Consider the best approach to identifying patients in need of SUD care
- Build registry capacity for SUD care
- Create SUD care clinical workflows and protocols
- Consider SUD quality metrics
- Develop funding strategy for SUD CoCM

# More than just adding team members...

Pay-for-performance cuts median time to depression treatment response in half



# Phase 3: Build Clinical Skills (2-4 weeks)

**All members of the clinical and administrative team may need education and training to deliver CoCM for SUD. Clinics must clearly define team member roles, create a workflow, and identify how to track SUD treatment and outcomes.**

- Consider SUD training needs
- Describe SUD care key tasks
- Utilize the many available resources
- Plan to practice key skills as a team before launching SUD clinical care

# Skills for Collaborative Care Principles



Population-Based Care



Measurement-Based Treatment to Target



Patient-Centered Collaboration



Evidence-Based Care



Accountable Care

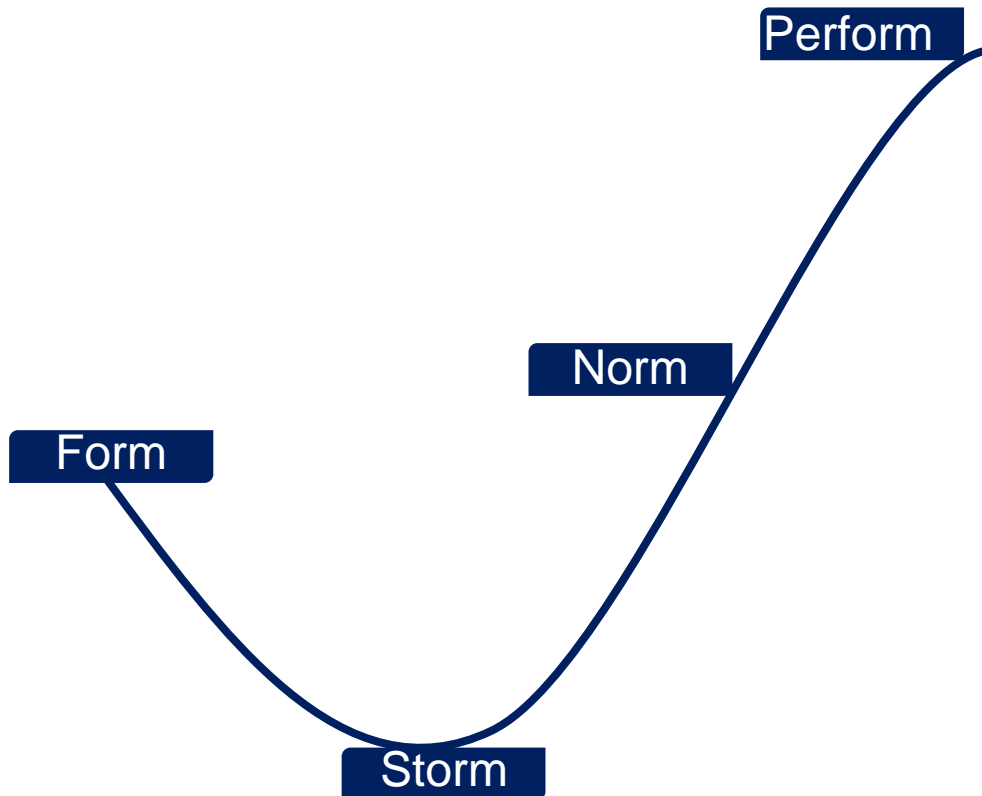
# Clinical Training Needs for CoCM Team

All members
Major Depressive Disorder
Anxiety
Somatic Symptoms or Fatigue
Suicide or Violence
Child Psychiatry
Evidence-based medication approaches



# Learning to Be a Team

## Tuckman's Model of Team Building



## Principles of Effective Teams

Shared Goals

Clear Roles

Measurable Processes and Outcomes

Mutual Trust

Effective Communication

# Phase 4: Launch Care (3-6 mo)

**Once the workflows have been developed and team members have been trained to offer integrated SUD care, your team is ready to deliver care.**

- Start delivering SUD care
- Celebrate early wins in SUD care
- Prepare to adjust SUD workflows

# Patient Education Materials

## Your Collaborative Care Team

You

### What is the patient's role?

You are the most important person on the team! You will get the best care if you participate actively with your primary care provider (PCP) and your care manager (CM). Tell them what is working for you and what is not. Work with your team to track your progress using a simple checklist. Let them know if you have questions or concerns about your care. If you take medication, know what it is and take it as prescribed.

[photo here]

### What is the primary care provider's role?

The primary care provider oversees all aspects of your care at the clinic. He or she will work closely with the other members of the care team to make sure you get the best care possible. The PCP will make and/or confirm your diagnosis and may write or refill prescriptions for medications. The PCP works closely with your care manager to stay informed about your treatment progress. The PCP may also consult with the team psychiatrist if there are questions about the best treatments for you.

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# Patient Education Materials Continued

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## What is the care manager's role?

The care manager (CM) works closely with you and the PCP to implement a treatment plan. The CM answers questions about your treatment. He or she will check-in with you to keep track of your treatment progress and can help identify side effects if you are taking medications. The PCP and the CM work together with you if a change in your treatment is needed. The CM may also provide counseling or refer you for counseling if that is part of your treatment plan.

# Phase 5: Nurture Your Care = Sustainability

**Once care is being delivered, the team can shift to monitoring integrated SUD processes and outcomes of care as part of the routine clinical processes of continuous quality improvement of the organization.**

- Monitor progress toward SUD care goals
- Engage in continuous quality improvement for SUD CoCM
- Share SUD care progress widely

# New York Five Year Sustainability: Quantitative Results



## Clinic Sustained

- Care Manager: 1.0 FTE
- Number of Patients/FTE: 137
- Improvement Rate: 46%



## Clinic Opted-Out

- Care Manager: 0.5 FTE
- Number of Patients/FTE: 58
- Improvement Rate: 7.5%

# Sustainability: Medicare CoCM Codes

## CoCM Core components:

1. **Active treatment and care management for an identified patient population**
  2. **Use of a patient tracking tool to promote regular, proactive outcome monitoring and treatment-to-target**
  3. **Regular (typically weekly) systematic psychiatric caseload reviews**
- Bill total minutes of team effort under PCP (psychiatric consultant and BHCM do not bill separately)
  - The patient must provide general consent for the service and they will have a co-pay

[Behavioral-Health-Integration-Services-\(MLN909432\)-2021-3-Print-Friendly \(cms.gov\)](https://www.cms.gov/MLN909432-2021-3-Print-Friendly)

Code	Description	2023 Rate
99492	CoCM - first 70 min in first month	\$147.12
99493	CoCM - first 60 min in any subsequent months	\$139.18
99494	CoCM - each additional 30 min in any month (used in conjunction with 99492 or 99493)	\$56.53
99484	Other BH services - 20 min per month	\$41.99
G2214	30 min/month for either initial or subsequent months CoCM services	\$57.19
For FQHC and RHC Only		
G0511	CCM – General Care Management	\$76.04
G0512	CoCM: Psychiatric Collaborative Care Model	\$143.15

# Sustainability of Fidelity: Continuous Quality Improvement

Patient Caseload Program Tools Logout Hello, Jurgen (unutzer)

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## CASELOAD STATISTICS L1

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CO	# OF P.	CLINICAL ASSESSMENT			FOLLOW UP			50% IMPROVED AFTER > 10 WKS		
		#	MEAN PHQ	MEAN GAD	# OF P.	MEAN #	MEAN # CLINIC	MEAN # PHONE	PHQ	GAD
Care Manager 1	70	68 (97%)	15.1 (n=61)	12.8 (n=52)	62 (91%)	6.7	5.5 (82%)	1.2 (18%)	19 (49%) (n=39)	16 (41%) (n=39)
Care Manager 2	86	86 (100%)	15.9 (n=86)	14.2 (n=84)	79 (92%)	12.4	6.4 (52%)	6.0 (48%)	34 (68%) (n=50)	28 (56%) (n=50)
All	156	154 (99%)	15.6 (n=147)	13.6 (n=136)	141 (92%)	9.9	6.0 (61%)	3.9 (39%)	53 (60%) (n=89)	44 (49%) (n=89)

C/C = Continued Care Pla



# Clinical Considerations

# Psychiatric Consultant/BHCM Interface

## Setting Expectations:

- How frequently will BHCM meet with patients?
- Which topics should the BHCM discuss with patients (mediation side effects, medication adherence, current symptoms, appointment reminders, identifying social determinants, clarifying goals of treatment)?
- How often will the BHCM and the Psychiatric Consultant meet?

# Psychiatric Consultant/BHCM Interface

## Use of a Patient Registry:

- **Spreadsheet Registry:** Can be a clinic-constructed spreadsheet
- **Custom Registry:** Can be built into electronic health record Ex. EPIC
- **Registry Products:** Can license stand alone product Ex. UW AIMS Center Case Load Tracker

ACTIVE PATIENTS

Report for: Suzy Hunter, CM  
Report Created on: Wednesday, September 6, 2023, 12:04 PM

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<https://aims.uw.edu/registry-tools>

# Psychiatric Consultant/BHCM Interface

## Determining Appropriate Measurement Based Care Tools:

- Measurement based care (MBC) tools are typically used each time a behavioral health care manager (BHCM) meets with a patient.
- Results are logged in the patient registry
- MBC tools can include those that effectively monitor change over time for the target conditions:
- MBC tools can include Patient Health Questionnaire-9 (PHQ9) (depression), General Anxiety Disorder-7 (GAD7) (anxiety), PTSD Checklist for DSM-5 (PCL5) (PTSD), Brief Addiction Monitor, Alcohol Symptom Checklist, etc.

# Psychiatric Consultant/BHCM Interface

## Coaching in Motivational Interviewing:

- BHCM is in an ideal position to utilize MI to patients' benefit
- Psychiatric Consultant in in a position to offer coaching around MI skills such as OARS and maintaining a stance of curiosity.

## Reviewing Scope of Practice:

- Discussing importance of relaying recommendations to PCP verbatim.
- BHCM may offer recommendations to patients such as: sleep hygiene, tips for medication adherence, etc.
- BHCM is not in a counseling or psychotherapy role, though it can feel this way to patients. So it's important to discuss limitations in practice scope and offer guidance for how BHCM can maintain these boundaries.

# Psychiatric Consultant/BHCM Interface

## Guidance for BHCM communications to PCP:

- Help BHCM determine which messages are appropriate to be relayed in the EHR, which are more appropriate via other means such as reaching out to the PCP's Medical Assistant.
- Support BHCM in drafting succinct messages to PCP and discuss appropriate frequency of messages.

## Handling Patient Crisis Situations:

- Identify clinic's procedure for handling psychiatric crises.
- Ask the BHCM to be aware of how to access the charge nurse or 'doc of the day.'
- Discussing this process *before* a crisis arises is very useful.

# Approaches to Use When Patient Engagement is Challenging

- Encourage **In-person meetings** between BHCM and patient (possibly immediately before or after PCP visits).
- Use of **Warm Handoffs** (with PCP sending message to BHCM that they have a candidate patient in the room).

# Psychiatric Consultant/PCP Interface

## **Psychiatric Consultant may make treatment recommendations to PCP via an EHR consult note:**

- Indicate Impression: include differential diagnosis, symptom severity, MBC scores/implications. Be sure to recognize the PCP's efforts in the case thus far - this indicates psychiatric consultant is aware of recent treatment and is helpful to build trust and deepen the team-oriented approach.
- Indicate Treatment Recommendations: use wording to acknowledge that the PCP is the primary treater and will ultimately decide which recommendations (if any) to use. Attempt to anticipate and offer guidance around common side effects.



# Psychiatric Consultant/PCP Interface

Include a Disclaimer Statement in consult note to indicate the limitations of remote psychiatric consultation.

- “The treatment considerations and suggestions in this case review are based on consultations with the patient’s Behavioral Health Care Manager and a review of information available in the care management tracking system. I have not personally examined the patient. All recommendations should be implemented with consideration of the patient’s relevant prior history and current clinical status. Please feel free to call me with any questions about the care of this patient.”

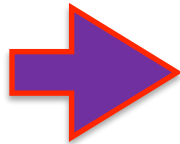
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# CoCM Case Example

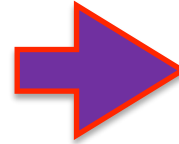


Patient is identified by clinic screening:  
PHQ9 score of 20  
Audit C score of 10

Primary Care Team Refers Patient to Behavioral Health Care Manager (BHCM)



BHCM meets with patient to introduce model, identify goals and gain more information



BHCM adds patient to electronic registry and prepares to discuss with psychiatry consultant at next weekly meeting



BHCM and Psychiatric Consultant review case at weekly virtual meeting to determine treatment approach

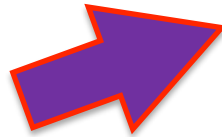
## CASE:

- Confirms heavy alcohol use
- Confirms PRN opioid treatment
- Identifies transportation barrier
- Determines there has been no past depression treatment

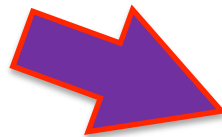
# CoCM Case Example



BHCM and Psychiatrist discuss plan:



- Psychiatric Consultant generates consult note to relay plan to Primary Treatment Team and give medication recommendations.
- Primary Treatment Team prescribes medications.  $R_x$

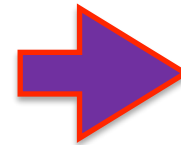
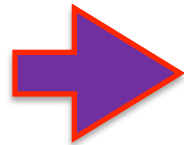


- BHCM initiates referrals to counseling and case management
- and maintains frequent contact with patient to inquire about medication side-effects and utilize MBC tools to monitor for improvement.

## CASE:

- Escitalopram for depression
- Avoid Naltrexone for AUD in this case because of opioid treatment
- Acamprosate for AUD
- Referral for counseling
- Referral to case management for transportation resources
- BHCM will reach out weekly
- BHCM will confirm access to Naloxone

# CoCM Case Example



BHCM and Psychiatric Consultant briefly discuss case the following week

BHCM maintains contact with patient and follows up on counseling referral

BHCM and Psychiatric Consultant discuss case in subsequent weeks

## CASE:

- Patient is taking medications
- No benefit yet
- No side effects of nausea or headache
- Patient has seen case management
- Has not yet heard from counselor
- Patient has Naloxone

- Patient has established with counseling
- Patient is taking medications
- No side effects
- PHQ9 score is reduced to 9 (from 20)
- Audit C score is reduced to 5 (from 10)
- Patient has bus pass
- Patient knows date of next PCP appt.
- Further treatment planning occurs...

# PCSS-MOUD Mentoring Program

- PCSS-MOUD Mentor Program is designed to offer general information to clinicians about evidence-based clinical practices in prescribing medications for opioid use disorder.
- PCSS-MOUD Mentors are a national network of providers with expertise in **addictions, pain, and evidence-based treatment including medications for opioid use disorder (MOUD)**.
- 3-tiered approach allows every mentor/mentee relationship to be unique and catered to the specific needs of the mentee.
- No cost.

**For more information visit:**

**<https://pcssNOW.org/mentoring/>**

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## Have a clinical question?

### Ask a Colleague

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African American Behavioral Health Center of Excellence	American Medical Association*
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American Academy of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry	American Osteopathic Academy of Addiction Medicine*
American Academy of Family Physicians	American Pharmacists Association*
American Academy of Neurology	American Psychiatric Association*
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