

Building an Integrated HIV Care Program

The Developmental Process is ongoing...



1523 Patients (2009)

77% African American

12% White

9% Hispanic

69% Male

30% Female

<u>Age</u>		<u>Insurance</u>	
•18 – 24	33 (2.5%)	•Private	311(20%)
•25 – 44	625 (41%)	•Public (Medicare, Medicaid &	
•45 – 64	824 (54%)	other)	826 (54%)
•65 +	41 (2.5%)	•Uninsured	386 (25%)

- •11 half day clinics
- •7 ID HIV Specialist MDs, 6 ID HIV Fellows
 - •6 Full time Nurses
- •6 Behavioral Health Therapists (also act as consultants)
 - •2 BH Care Managers
- 4 Advocates/Prevention Specialists
 - 4 Medical Assistants and 2 Phlebotomists
 - Community Case Managers
 - Peer Advocates
 - Trainees



Nursing Staff

Cumulative Nursing Careers = 217 yrs Total HIV Nursing experience = 86.5 yrs

Various educational backgrounds
Nurse Practitioner

MSN

BSN

LPN

ACRN-AIDS Certified Registered Nurse Trainees

Behavioral Health Staff

(funded under 2 SAMHSA grants)

Psychiatric Nurse Practitioner

•6 Therapists (PhD Psych and Masters level educations) also act as Consultants during clinics

•2 Care Managers (both certified HIV Case Managers with prior experience)

Pain and Addiction Specialist MD

Data coordinator

2 Evaluators

•2 P.I.s and Clinic Director

Community Advisory Board

Trainees

Behavioral Health Services

Mental Health Assessments available for all patients

Psych Evals

Psych Med Review

Individual, Couple and Family Counseling

- •Substance Use Disorder Counseling (including on-site Bupenephrine and Methadone Maintenance off-site)
- •Psycho Educational Groups (New to Care, Total Wellness, Pain Management, Recovery, Serodiscordant Couples, Dating and Relationships)
 - Controlled Substance and Pain Management Treatment

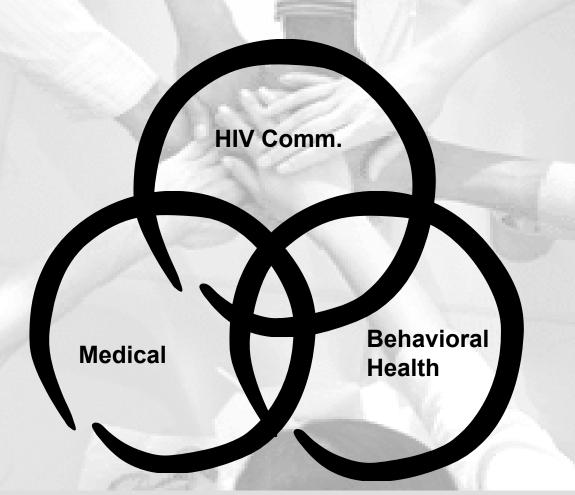
Advocates Duties

Patient Advocate duties	Part D (Families, Women & Children)	Prevention Specialists
•Appt. Reminder	•OB/GYN Clinic	 Counseling and Testing
•No Show Follow Up	Pediatric ID Clinic	•Outreach
•PCP Referral Assist	•Moms in Motion Support	•Offsite C & T
•Medicare/Medicaid	Community Advisory	 Partner Notification
Applic. Assist	Board	 Sex Health Education
•Case Management referrals	Project Challenge (Family Support)	Social NetworkingStrategy
•Prisoner Re-Entry coordination	•Camp Hope (Summer & School Break Day camp)	•Condoms
•Dental Referrals		
•Shelter Assist.		
•Transportation Assist.	D. Comment	

Three Distinct Cultures



Integration??



Developing an Integrated Care Program Challenges

Original Location

- New Service for Program
- Co-Located (2 services at same location)
 - Separate cultures
 - Poor communication
 - Space wars
- Behavioral Health staff unfamiliar with HIV Community

Challenges

1st Move Location

NO SPACE!!!

- Clinic Dir. And therapy offices in bldg ½ mile away
- Staff offices reduced to 4 foot desk top per person
 - 12 people put into space formerly occupied by 4
 - Sharing waiting room with OB/GYN patients
- New Building Staff did not want HIV patients using clinic restrooms
- Staff had to stand in a crowded hall waiting to see consumers

2nd Move, Lessons Learned

- •6 new exam rooms, medical assistance work space, Doctors workspace, space for educational materials, Own wait room
 - Staff had cubicles with their own space
 - •5 Therapy and Clinic Dir. Office available
 - Conference room for meetings and Groups
 - Instituted MDT Pre Clinic Meetings
 - Recruited and trained Peer Advocates
 - Space to engage consumer outside of exam rooms
 - Communication improved

One Key Component was the MDT Pre Clinic Meetings

- Dr, RN, BH Consultant, BH Care Manager, BH Prescriber, Advocate, Peer Advocate
- Each Patient is discussed as to how they are doing medically and behaviorally
- •BH staff talks about their contact with each consumer
 - •Advocates reports on Reminder calls and other pertinent information (housing, transportation, etc.)
- •Peer Advocates are told how they could help patients that are at risk

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Peer Advocate Consumer Training - PACT

- Consumer Identified Need (missing piece)
- •Key component that ALL the caring staff could not provide
 - Needed Leadership and Staff buy-in first
- •Needed the RIGHT people that wanted to give back to their community
- Provide training and resources necessary to make them an effective part of the team
 - Let them do their thing

Peer Advocate Consumer Training – PACT

First Experience email statements:

- •WOW, it was unbelievable....in a good way
- •Explained, "I was new and my part of your visit to the clinic today, was to let you know that there is life after the diagnosis"
- •That's when he looked up with a sigh of relief, like the world had been lifted off his shoulders and he said, "really?"
 - ·he visibly had a new attitude/lease on life.....
 - It was so gratifying to be the one to deliver that message of hope, and see him grab it.
- •I was full of anxiety when I went in and very confident at the end of the day that this very well could be my purpose.

Why it all works

- Medical Providers are free to focus primarily on Health Issues
- Variety of Behavioral Health services based on the consumers needs and readiness to engage (brief contact during Med. appt., scheduled therapy sessions, psych med reviews, drop in availability of psych NP and therapists, groups)
- Variety of staff for consumers to engage with (Health Care providers, BH providers, Advocates, Peers) and Warm Handoffs
 - Increase in Staff trainings, communication and team building
 - •The right people providing the right care and support
 - Continual Development

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