


Addiction Day 2019

Calgary Injectable Opioid Agonist Treatment Program:
Connecting with Clients in Wrap-Around Care

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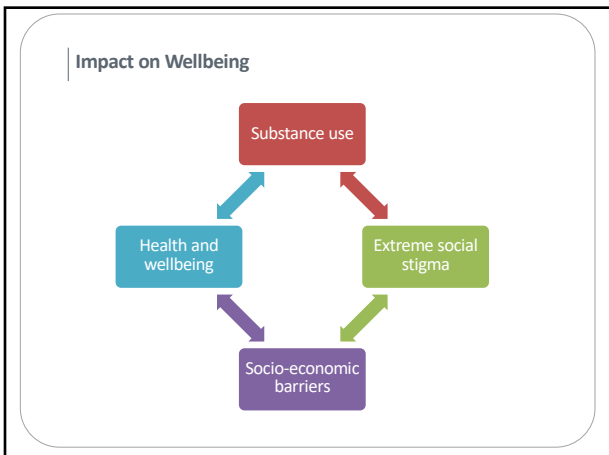
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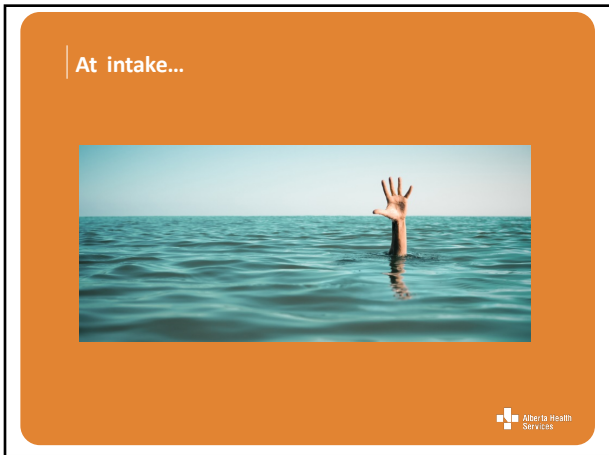
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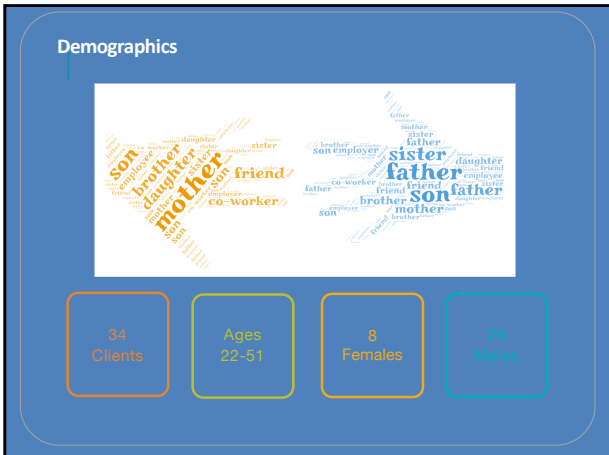
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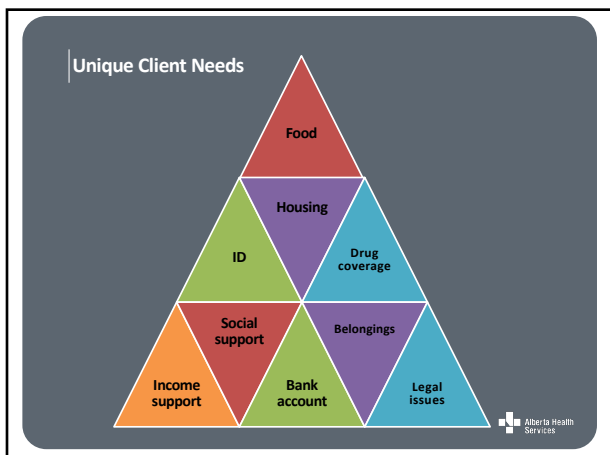
Learning Objectives

1. Review the unique needs of iOAT clients
2. Discuss strategies utilized to engage, build trust, and bridge to the broader health care system
3. Identify areas for development of deeper connections to further reduce harm and improve health





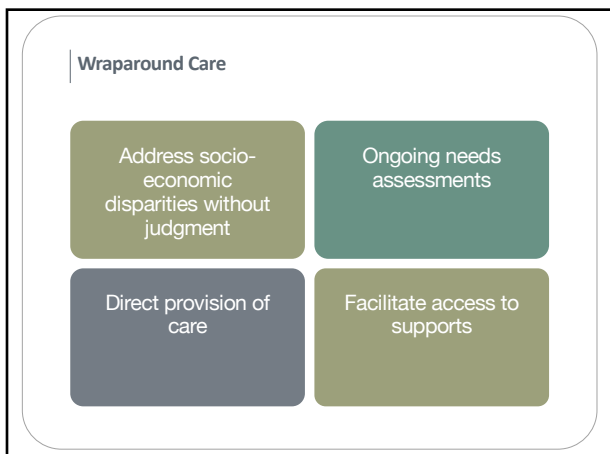


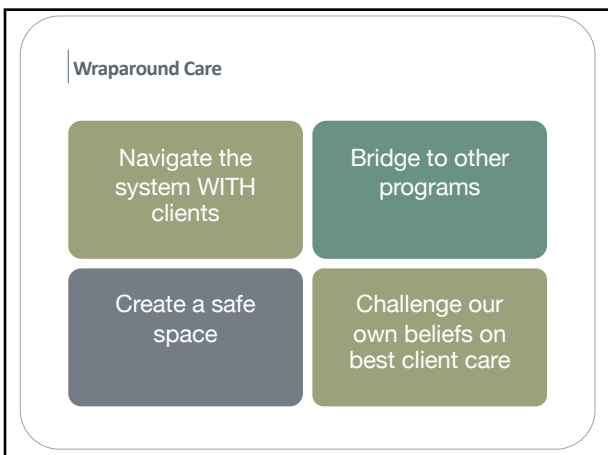


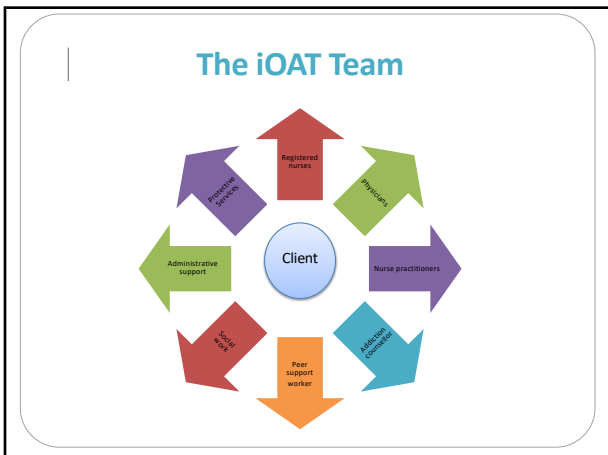
Calgary iOAT

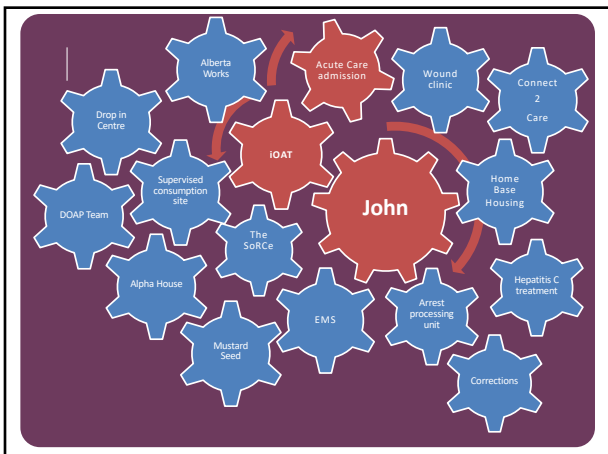
- Compassionate, thoughtful specialized treatment for severe Opioid Use Disorder
- Prescribed hydromorphone and oral OAT
- Observe injections three times per day

Alberta Health Services









"You guys are my brain, I can't remember anything on my own, you help me get to all of these appointments. This place saved my life. Without this clinic I would be doing crime and back in jail. This is the longest I've been out of jail. This place saved my life."





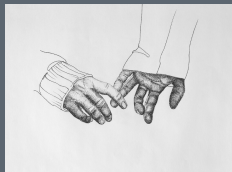
Their bodies tell the story





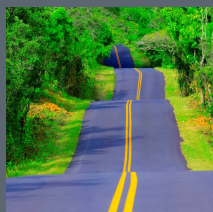
Lessons learned ... so far:

- Build connections outside the program
- Imbed primary care in iOAT to provide care on-site
- Capitalize on full scope, advanced practice nursing skills



Lessons learned ... so far:

- Walk with clients
- Be ready to change and adapt the approach
- Ask clients for feedback



Future Directions

