Training practices and providers about opioid use disorder and medication assisted treatment.

Community Health Partnership (CHP) is collaborating with Santa Clara Valley Health and Hospital System (SCVHHS) and the Implementing Technology and Medication Assisted Treatment and Team Training in Rural Colorado (IT MATTTRs Colorado) project to help address the opioid epidemic affecting our communities. This is a response to calls from our health care communities for help in diagnosing opioid use disorders (OUD) and supporting patients in medication assisted treatment (MAT) programs.

Onsite Practice Facilitation

Beginning in early 2019, CHP staff will train entire practice team staff on how to provide comprehensive MAT program for patients with OUD. The High Plains Research Network (HPRN) and the Colorado Research Network (CaReNet) worked with the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM), local community practice coaches and research liaisons to create the curriculum to train practice teams.

The IT MATTTRs Practice Team Training curriculum contains four 1-hour modules:

Module 1: Opioids, Receptors, California, and You – Epidemiology, science and pharmacology of opioids, addiction, and medication assisted treatment

Module 2: The Patient – Identifying, preparing, treating, and managing patients

Module 3: The Practice – Preparing the practice, facility, and staff to offer MAT

Module 4: Special Population – Offering care to special populations like adolescents and pregnant women

The Practice Team Training will help you to identify and assess patients who are appropriate for MAT, apply knowledge of buprenorphine to manage patients with OUD, discuss psychiatric diagnoses and co-morbidities associated with OUD, and help you to build a clinical team that has knowledge, skills, and resources to treat OUD.

For practices that have a MAT certified prescriber, the practice team training will equip all staff members with the expertise and tools to support a successful MAT program within a clinic.

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