Connecting Resources to a Community in Need: Worcester Police Addiction Recovery (WPAR) Program Webinar

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Individualized Treatment and Understanding the Non-pharmacologic Components that are Part of Recovery
January 9, 2018 10-11AM

Dr. Gerardo Gonzalez, MD, Director of the Division of Addiction Psychiatry and Associate Professor in Psychiatry, Medical Director, Washburn House, Worcester, MA
Lindsey Silva, RN, MSN, Director of Quality and Compliance, Washburn House, Worcester, MA

Learn about the non-pharmacologic components of recovery. When developing individualized treatment plans, what factors are considered? The Medical Director and the Director of Quality and Compliance for Washburn House, a new treatment facility in Worcester, Massachusetts, will share their stories of starting a new treatment facility, and the challenges of putting evidence-based practices into practical use.

Learning Objectives: Individualized Treatment and Understanding the non-pharmacologic Components that are Part of Recovery
Understand the rationale and treatment options for managed withdrawal of a patient with opioid use disorder
Understand the rationale and treatment options for Medication Assisted Treatment in a patient with opioid use disorder
Understand the non-pharmacologic components that are part of recovery
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No One Ever Grows Up Thinking They Will Become Addicted.
Connecting Resources
Webinar Objectives

- Recognize the signs of Substance Use Disorder (SUD)

- Learn about strategies communities are using to reduce fatal overdoses while increasing community awareness and support for individuals and families living with Substance Use Disorder.

- Learn about community resources available and what you can do to reduce the stigma associated with Substance Use Disorder.
Addiction Defined

- The state of being enslaved to a habit or practice or to something that is psychologically or physically habit-forming, as narcotics, to such an extent that the cessation causes severe trauma.

- People who use the drug in excess amounts prescribed.
- Used for reasons other than prescribed.
- Using that which is not prescribed to them.
- May be displaying indicators of addiction.
Drug Addiction Defined

1. Drug addiction is a chronic, often relapsing brain disease that causes compulsive drug seeking and use, despite consequences to the person using and those around them.

2. It is a brain disease because the use of drugs leads to changes in the structure and function of the brain.
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Other Signs

- Doctor shopping
- Shifting moods
- Social Withdrawal or “New Friends”
- Sudden Financial Problems
- Extra pill bottles
- Suddenly using mouthwash, breath sprays or mints, wearing sunglasses
Brain Disease

- Normal Brain
- Chronic Alcohol Abuse
- Marijuana Abuse
- Methamphetamine Abuse
- Heroin Use of 7 Years
- Six Weeks Following Detox
Common Places to Hide Drugs

- **Hiding in Personal Items** – in a highlighter, in the space between its nub and tip of cap, inside pen barrels, Lip gloss or lipstick containers, inside individually wrapped sanitary napkins, in sock drawers, inside a pair of socks, inside pairs of unused shoes, corners of shelves and closets that are not locked or cleaned often.

- **Hiding Around the House** – Video game consoles, old controllers, remote controls, unused battery compartments, holes in mattresses, under box springs, stuffed animals, behind pictures and posters on walls, inside a picture frame, in ceiling tiles, unfinished basement in unused containers

- **On a Dresser** – soda can, water bottle or thermos container that never moves, inside books

- **In the Car** – stashed under the hood, under floor mats, under seats or the dashboard

- **Out in the Yard** – planters, outdoor ornaments
Common Drug Paraphernalia
After a person uses, their system starts to adjust, resulting in the drug having a decreased effect.

This causes individual to use more to get that desired effect.
Potential Signs of Overdose

- Constricted pupils that are non-reactive to light
- Periods of extreme sedation making them difficult to wake.
- Lack of responsiveness/even to painful stimuli.
- Respiratory arrest.
- Cyanotic, Bluish appearance to lips, fingernails.
What to do when one encounters a person who may be overdosing:

- Call 911
- CPR
- Narcan
Real Life and Getting the Needed Help While Dealing with the Stigma of this Disease?

When you call the police do you say “Overdose?” Depends.

If you feel there is bias in your community say:

This is a “Medical” issue.
## Withdrawal Symptoms

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Training Objectives:

- Reduce fatal overdoses in the community while increasing awareness and support to individuals and their families.
- Breaking the barriers between the community and police officers.
- Reducing stigma within our community by providing helpful information and resources to enhance their capacity.

Training Topics:

- Community Perspectives: Law Enforcement & Faith Based
- Stigma & Labels
- What is Recovery & Principals of Recovery (Strength-Based)
- Law Enforcement Response: Mental Health, Homelessness & Re-Entry Process
- Veterans’ Perspective: Treatment Options & PTSD
- Stages of Change
- Active Listening
- Motivational Interviewing
- Narcan Training
- Boundaries & Ethics
- Volunteering – Samaritan Law
- Recovery Drug Court: Observation of Recovery Drug Court Session
- Community Resourcing & Networking: AdCare, CHL, Spectrum, SMOC, Prestige, Washburn House, & Every Day Miracles
Narcan or Naloxone

- Facts About Narcan – Doesn’t work if person has taken other drugs
- Where to get it
- Who provides training
- There is a free app
- Legal Concerns – what if I administer it and something goes wrong? Good Samaritan Laws
- You can’t administer Narcan to yourself
- If it’s in your home, tell family members where it is, outside of backpack
What Does the Data Show?

- JUNE OD IN WORCESTER –
  - 66 OD’s
  - Narcan used ---- Times
  - 3 Deaths
How Can I Stop the Stigma?

Use Vocabulary that Does Not Perpetuate the Stigma

“A substance abuser” – implies willful misconduct (it is their fault and they can help it)

“Having a substance use disorder” – implies a medical malfunction (it’s not their fault and they cannot help it)

**Use**
- Alcohol, drug use disorder
  - Addiction
  - Person with/who...
- (Agonist) treatment
- Positive/negative (test)
- Unhealthy
- At-risk, risky, hazardous
- Heavy use, episode
- (Return to) use
- Low risk

**Avoid**
- Abuse, abuser, user, addict, alcoholic
- Substitution, replacement
- Clean, dirty
- Misuse*
- Relapse
- Binge*
- Dependence*
- Problem
- Inappropriate

*define to avoid confusion. Misuse may be ok for Rx drug...
Taking a birth control pill to relieve a headache is misuse “medication” vs. “drug”

This information is from Dr. Richard Saitz 8.2.17 NNLM Webinar
The Language of Addiction: Words Matter
Other Ways to Stop the Stigma?

- You don’t know everyone’s story
- Doctors, family members, Community Leaders, Criminal Justice System
- Community events, recovery community having a voice
- Recovery Walk/ Politicians supporting these events, Community coming together
The Opioid Addiction Problem is Complicated to Fix

- Now that the drug problem has reached the suburbs there is attention.
- Insurance coverage for treatment is lacking
- Pharmaceuticals are still over prescribing
- Due to negative stigma those in need of recovery do not want to come forward so they stay hidden.
- Crime committed to fund drug use result in a CORI that can effect housing and job prospects.
- Mental Health Services are also lacking and we are not treating the underlying causes of mental illness.
- Many suffer from a duel diagnosis and may self medicate thereby result in addiction
Stories of Hope from the Front Lines

A male has overdosed 5 times this year. He is homeless. On the 6th time I approach him and discuss options for him to consider getting help. He stated that he had no intentions of stopping. I tell him that I’m still here if he ever wants to just let me know. I then leave and ask if he has any Narcan. He starts fumbling in his bag looking for the Narcan. Once he finds it I tell him he needs to place it in an outside pocket and those close to him need to know where it is. I then give his fiancé Narcan and tell her just in case. On the 7th time his fiancé brought him back to life with the use of Narcan. He still does not want any help. On the 8th time I ask him again. This time he said yes its time. It took 2 hours to finally get him a detox bed but I told him I was not going to leave until I find one.
Massachusetts Has Been Innovative With Addressing Addiction
However, Still Lots of Work To Do


University of Massachusetts Medical School Curriculum to Include Prevention & Management of Prescription Drugs

Other States with Innovative and Collaborative Programs

North Carolina police chief helps addicts beat opioid addiction


What Are the Resources In Your Community?

We are working collaboratively
Do you know someone affected by Addiction?

*Talk about it!*

- Local Health Departments
- Learn to Cope
- Community Justice Agencies
- Recovery Drug Courts
What if you saw this pill on the nightstand of your friend or family member?

How do you find out what type of tablet or pill this is?
Use PILLBOX
NLMs Helpful Pill Identification Tool

NLM
Specialized Information Services

Understanding Addiction

- Opioid crisis (video) by Dr. Nora Volkow, Director of the National Institute on Drug Abuse

April 2017 National Rx Drug Abuse and Heroin Summit

- Definition of Addiction
- Treatment Options for Addiction
- Medications for Opioid Addiction
- Opioid Detoxification

Opioid Overdose

- Opioid Overdose Prevention
- Health Effects of Opioid Overdose

Visit NRDC, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

Opioid Use and Abuse

- Opioid Use and Abuse: A Primer
- Opioid Use and Abuse: A Report

Opioid Abuse and Addiction

Also called: Narcotics, Opiates

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Basics

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Resources

For You

Opioid Abuse and Addiction

THE MAGNITUDE OF THE OPIOID ADDICTION AND OVERTURE CRISIS IN THE U.S. REQUIRES ALL HANDS ON DECK.

September 29, 2-3 PM ET

Join @NIHDirector, @NIH, @NIDAnews, @NLM_OSP, @NIH PainResearch, @ASAMorg, @samhsgov, @hrsgov, @CDCInjury, @US_FDA, @NINDSdirector, @hhsgov & More

MARSI

Mobile app that Enables Location of Available Space in Massachusetts Treatment Facilities

https://www.marsi.org/
A new joint report from National Association of Counties (NACo) and the National League of Cities (NLC) examines how cities and counties can strengthen collaboration with each other and state, federal, private-sector and non-profit partners to tackle the opioid crisis.

Several of the recommendations are accompanied by existing local practices from cities and counties. The report also includes recommendations for state and federal officials, who are pivotal partners in local efforts to combat opioid misuse, diversion, overdose and death.
Additional Resources

The Police Assisted Addiction and Recovery Initiative (P.A.A.R.I.)

http://paariusa.org/
Mapping the Opioid Epidemic

This app is a very powerful testament to the void left behind after the loss of a loved one to opioid overdose, and is a personal living tribute to their memories. If you would like to contribute, contact CelebrateLostLovedOnes@gmail.com.
Community Anti-Drug Coalitions of America

http://www.cadca.org
Harvard University
Online Course in Opioid Addiction

Introduction

Opioids are a class of drugs that include the illegal drug heroin as well as powerful pain relievers, such as oxycodone, hydrocodone, codeine, morphine, fentanyl, and many others. Every day in the United States, more than 1,000 people are treated in emergency departments for not using prescription opioids as directed. In 2015, more than 15,000 people died from overdoses involving prescription opioids.
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