MeHAF Addiction Care Grantee Meeting

Grantee Updates
Healthy Community Coalition
• What have been some of your biggest challenges around engaging patients and family members?
  – Stigma around substance use disorder
  – Access to resources
    • Who knows the resources
    • What are the best resources to fit an individual's needs

• What are innovative strategies you have identified in planning for and preparing to implement services?
  – Physician Champion
    • Used to educate and support providers who have recently attained their X-Waver
  – Physician Consultant
    • Used to offer peer mentoring office to office
    Both the Physician Champion and Consultant receive a stipend for these services

• What AH-HA moments have you had in this area over the last year?
  – That there is a substantial need for patient education in our community around prescribing opioids, risk for overdose/addiction, and naloxone education
• **What would you not do again?**
  - We would not assume that the level of providers knowledge around Medication Assisted Treatment
  - We would not assume that all providers support MAT

• **What would you do sooner next time?**
  - Develop a more efficient way to collect data

• **Discuss some of the challenges around engaging individuals with SUD, patients, and community partners.**
  - We have had success connecting and engaging with patients and community partners. The challenge has been that they are so engaged we have to carefully manage how much conversation we have at stakeholders meetings.
• Highlight innovative strategies that have been identified to engage individuals with SUD, patients, and community partners.

  – A strategy that we found has been successful was to have a provider engage with patients they believe would be interested in engaging in the Stakeholders group. This builds trusting relationships and shows people in recovery that their voice is important.

• Discuss supports available in communities to help connect providers with individuals with SUD in order to connect patients to treatment and recovery services.

  – Federally Qualified Health Centers (FQHC)
    • MAT
    • On site counselors/social workers
  – Evergreen Behavioral Health
    • IOP
    • Counseling
    • MAT
  – Groups
    • MAT
    • Counseling
    • New to Franklin County