Project ECHO Nevada Pain Management and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Clinics

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Comparing Telemedicine and the ECHO Model

Anytime, Anywhere, Any Device

Project ECHO New Mexico

- 2003 - Sanjeev Arora identified the need to treat patients with Hepatitis C living in remote NM communities
- Envisioned the use of videoconferencing to create a knowledge network of like providers
- Received a Health Care Innovation award from RWJ Foundation
- Demonstrated improved provider satisfaction and self-efficacy
- Proved identical outcomes between care by rural PCPs + ECHO and ordinary care at academic medical center
- Published results in NEJM, June, 2011
- >100 ECHO hubs world-wide

Medical and Surgical Specialties
Number of MDs per 100,000 Population – 2013

More primary care provided by a lower licensed workforce
Project ECHO Nevada Background

- Planning began in late 2010
- Rural road trips/site visits/needs assessment during July and August 2011
- First clinic launched April 2012 – Diabetes ECHO
- Currently 11 active ECHO clinics + 4 inactive

Project ECHO Nevada Clinics for Primary Care Providers

- Antibiotic Stewardship
- Behavioral Health in Primary Care*
- Cardiology
- Diabetes/General Endocrine*
- Gastroenterology
- Geriatrics*
- Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT)*
- Pain Management*
- Pediatric Endocrinology*
- Public Health
- Sports Medicine*

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So, just how busy are we?

Opioid-focused ECHO Clinics

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Pain Management ECHO Clinic

- Launched in February 2015
- Designed to provide opioid alternative treatment education
- No escaping the real need of participants
- Realigned clinic content to address participant needs
- Partnered with the Opioid STR Grant Program to expand clinic frequency to 2x/month

Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) ECHO Clinic

- Launched in September 2017
- Created in partnership with Opioid STR Grant Program
- Addresses key gaps in the prescriber population
- Multidisciplinary hub team from HOPES and Reno VA
- Frequency of occurrence is 2x/month = Opioid Wednesdays
Questions?

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