



# PCBH Overview: Tricks of the Trade and Beyond

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## WHO WE ARE... ITS GOOD TO SEE YOU ALL AGAIN 😊

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We both live and breathe PCBH and contextual approaches (e.g., Acceptance and Commitment Therapy)

We **value what we do...** and... **we get emotional...** well, Dave does...

Our **values live** through our presentations... the **people** that mean the most to us are **with us today...**



# OUR JOURNEY TODAY...

We have six+ hours... which sounds like a lot... and...

Logistics of Zoom

Introductions, wanting to hear where you all are heading!

Some *context*

Connecting to *your why...*

Broken up into three sections:

- Part I: PCBH overview (the why, primary care, and GATHER)
- Part II: Nuts and bolts of the role
- Part II: Becoming a director



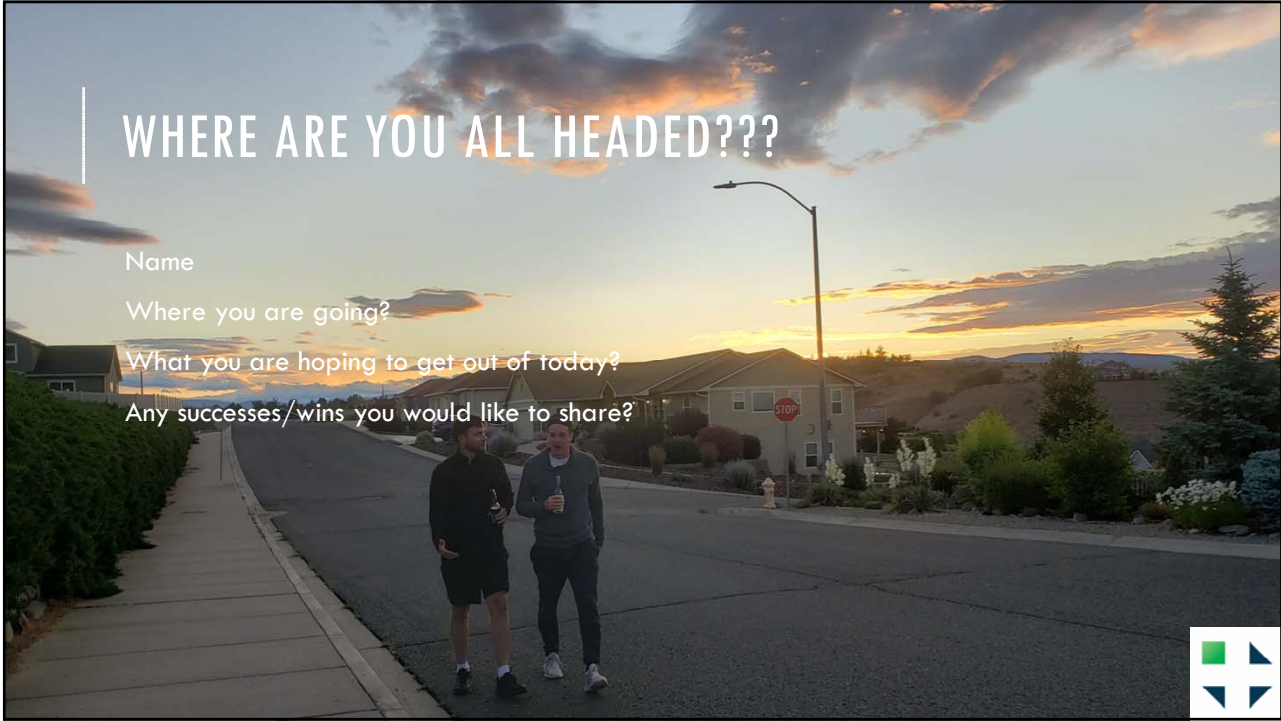
## LOGISTICS

Zoom format

- Chat box
- Keep self muted
- Breakout sessions

*Our gratitude for you being here today...*





# WHERE ARE YOU ALL HEADED???

Name

Where you are going?

What you are hoping to get out of today?

Any successes/wins you would like to share?



# BEFORE WE “JUMP INTO THE DEEP...”

We are **passionate** about integrated behavioral health in primary care

We **may will** most likely say things that challenge some assumptions...

...And that is okay... that is **our hope... we are here with you...**

Our perspectives **aren't truths...**

Integrated care, while great, is hard to do...

...**Be kind** on the journey...



# INTEGRATED CARE CAN FEEL LIKE...

Anyone that says PCBH is easy...



...probably hasn't done it...



## OUR WHY'S

To do this work, there has to be a *calling, a value, a why...*

What is your why? What drives you?

*Retirement party* exercise...

Anyone willing to share?





# LET'S GO BACK TO THE BEGINNING...

Why have behavioral health in primary care in the first place?

Any thoughts?

Privilege of talking to the founders... (side note)

PCBH Corner's - [https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLyLb\\_YdubB55P-dw9lrSH7-TwTqM8fkqo](https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PLyLb_YdubB55P-dw9lrSH7-TwTqM8fkqo)



## THE *WHY* OF PCBH

A lot of the stories (and accidents!)...

- Alexander Blount
- Neftali Serrano
- Kirk Strosahl and Patti Robinson
- Jeff Reiter

The biopsychosocial philosophy has been around for a while!

- Up-taken most by family medicine
- Influence on primary care



# THE WHY OF PCBH

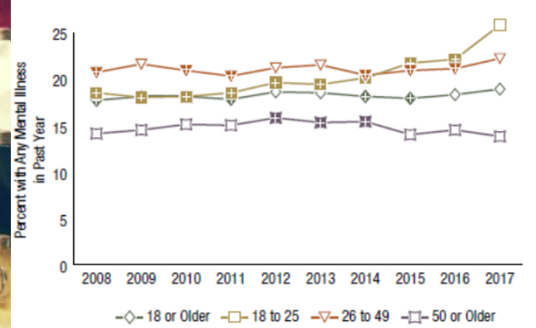
And... the data that you all are aware of...

What percent of adults have Any Mental Illness in a given year?

Figure 48 Table. Any Mental Illness in the Past Year among Adults Aged 18 or Older, by Age Group: Percentages, 2008-2017

Age Group	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
18 or Older	17.7*	18.1	18.1*	17.8*	18.6	18.5	18.1*	17.9*	18.3	18.9
18 to 25	18.5*	18.0*	18.1*	18.5*	19.6*	19.4*	20.1*	21.7*	22.1*	25.8
26 to 49	20.7*	21.6	20.9*	20.3*	21.2	21.5	20.4*	20.9*	21.1*	22.2
50 or Older	14.1	14.5	15.1	15.0	15.8*	15.3*	15.4*	14.0	14.5	13.8

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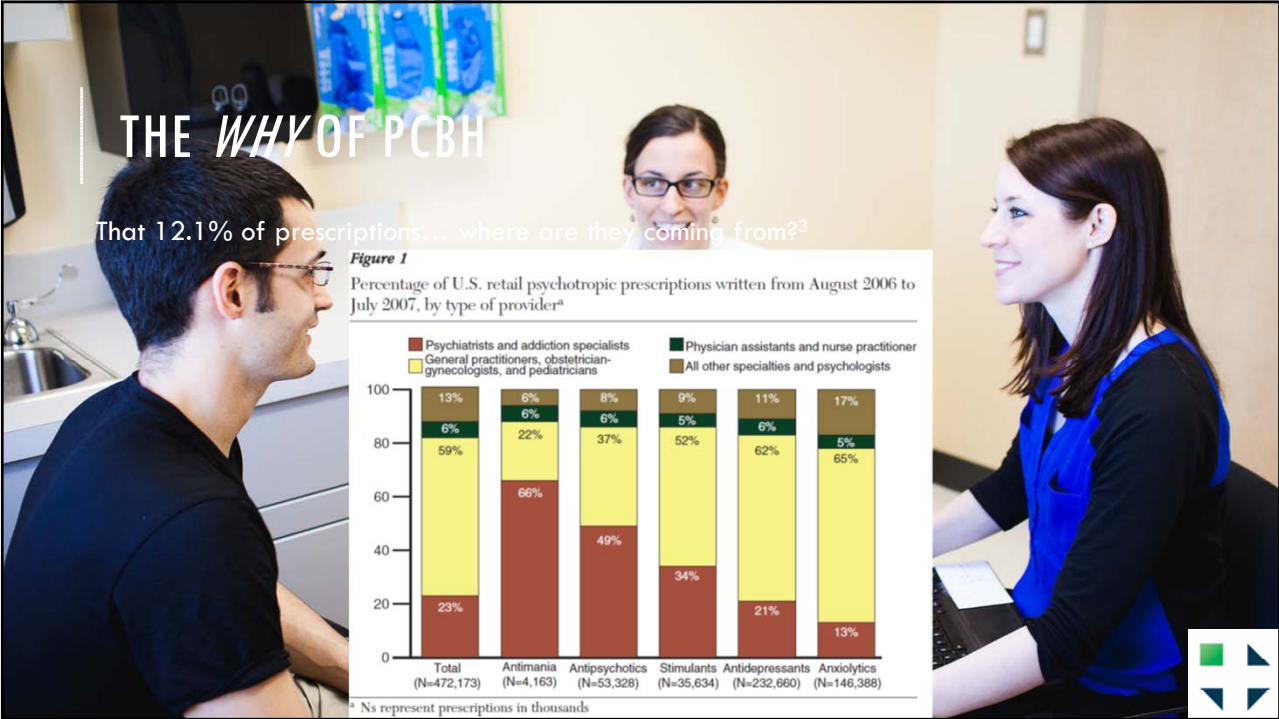
But, where do they get treatment?

Figure 72 Table. Type of Mental Health Services Received in the Past Year among Adults Aged 18 or Older: Percentages, 2002-2017

Service Type	02	03	04	05	06	07	08	09	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Any Mental Health Services	13.0*	13.2*	12.8*	13.0*	12.9*	13.3*	13.5*	13.4*	13.8*	13.6*	14.5	14.6	14.8	14.2	14.4	14.8
Inpatient	0.7*	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.7*	1.0	0.9	0.8	0.8*	0.8*	0.8	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9	1.0
Outpatient	7.4	7.1	7.1	6.8*	6.7*	7.0*	6.8*	6.4*	6.6*	6.7*	6.6*	6.6*	6.7*	7.1*	6.9	7.5
Prescription Medication	10.5*	10.9*	10.5*	10.7*	10.9*	11.2*	11.4	11.3*	11.7	11.5	12.4	12.5	12.6	11.8	12.1	12.1

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Note: Mental health service is defined as having received inpatient care or outpatient care or having used prescription medication for problems with emotions, nerves, or mental health.



# THE WHY OF PCBH

Well, just refer to SMH

- 20% of referred patients follow through<sup>4</sup>

Why many don't go to specialty MH?<sup>4</sup>

- Lack of insurance
- Stigma
- View their problem as "physical"
- Inconvenience
- Better familiarity, comfort with PCP
- Prior negative experiences
- I don't want/need to go




## THE *WHY* OF PCBH

We all know this data...  
 ...which is why **primary care** continues to be the **de facto**  
**mental health care system**...<sup>25</sup>




## THE *WHY* OF PCBH — LET'S DO IT!

*“To get population reach – we need a **philosophy** to improve access to help us work with everyone & everything that walks into PC...”*



**EBT for mental health disorders:**


- How long are typical visits?
- How frequently do patients meet with providers?
- How many visits do providers typically have with patients?
- Now...what about for primary care providers?



*So, just taking our SMH approach to PC is not the answer... we not only need to **BE** in PC but we need to **change HOW we practice***

Robust research base showing effectiveness of brief interventions<sup>6</sup>

- Even for intense mental health conditions (e.g., PTSD)





# THE *WHY* OF PCBH

And... **that is usually where the story ends...** its about mental health and substance abuse....

**Yet, close to half** of all Americans have a **chronic health concern** (e.g., HTN, DM, heart disease, etc.)<sup>7</sup>

- Nearly **two-thirds of all deaths** in US are contributed to **heart disease, cancer, stroke, COPD, & DM**

What is **one universal recommendation** for chronic conditions?

What are the realities of **treatment adherence** in primary care?<sup>8-9</sup>

What does the research **Adverse Childhood Events** say?<sup>10</sup>

This isn't a mental health intervention... **this is a healthcare intervention...**



**THE *WHY* OF PCBH**

And... interventions are great... but, isn't that limited?

We want to influence **our teams**

We want to influence **our system**

We want to influence **our communities**

We need a philosophy that helps us do that...

And... that is what **Primary Care Behavioral Health is all about...** at least to us 😊

**RADICAL CHANGE**  
LOVE, COHORT OF 2018-2019  
PRE-DOCTORAL INTERNS  
POST-DOCTORAL FELLOWS





## GROUP DISCUSSION

Just what is primary care?



**BUT... BEFORE  
TALKING ABOUT  
PCBH**

To us, this is the **greatest misunderstanding** of integrated BHCs

True understanding of primary care would take a while...

### The Four C's...

- First Contact
- Continuity of care
- Comprehensive care
- Coordinate care when needed
- **What happens when primary care can do the Four C's?**

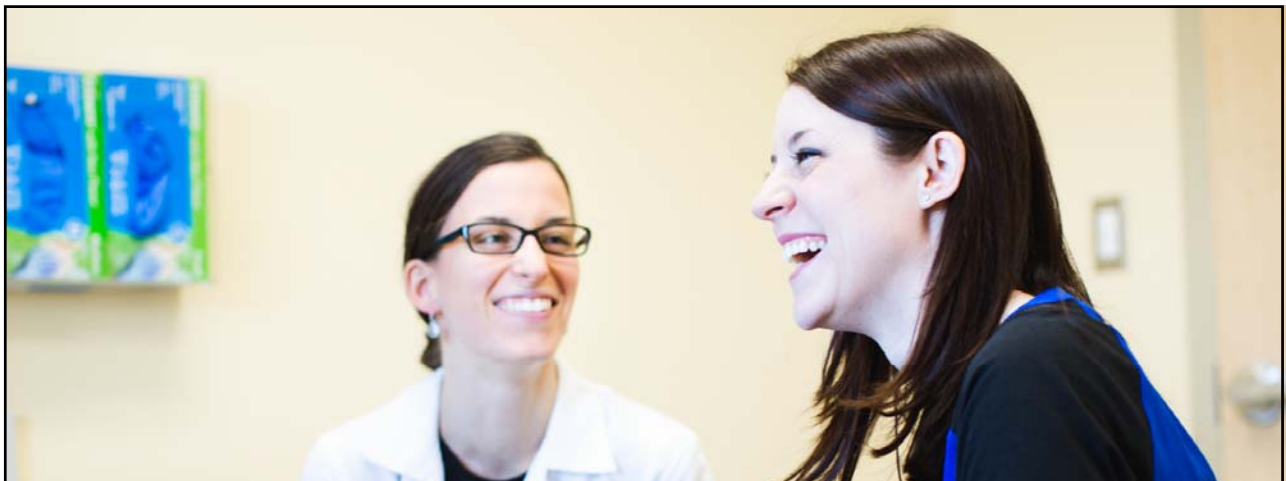
• Great article, O'Malley et al. 2015





## FIRST CONTACT

Primary Care's Four C's



## CONTINUITY OF CARE

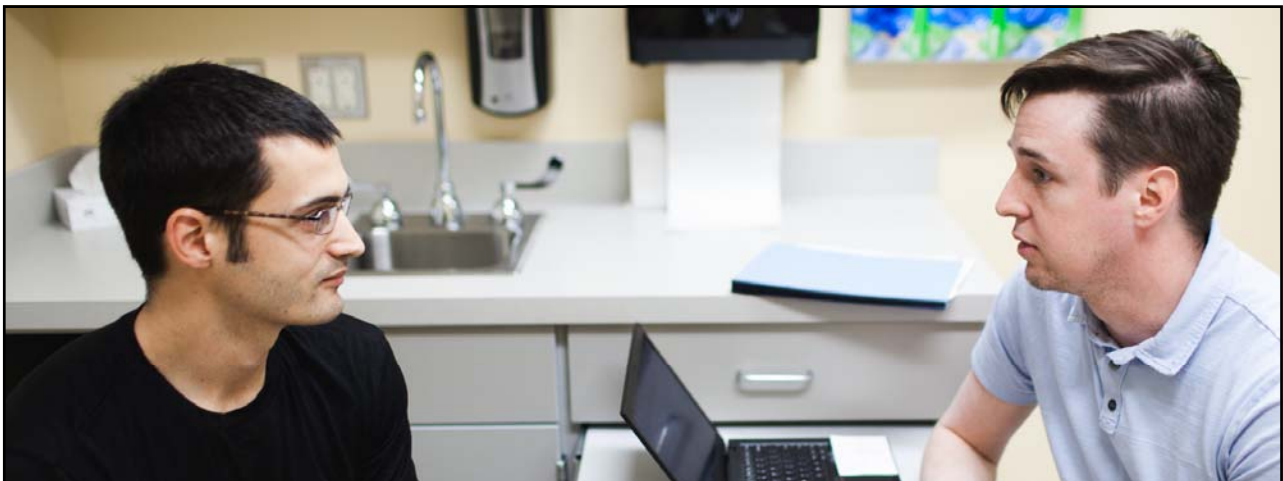
Primary Care's Four C's





## COMPREHENSIVE CARE

Primary Care's Four C's



## COORDINATE CARE WHEN NEEDED

Primary Care's Four C's





OKAY... SO...  
LET'S LOOK AT  
PCBH

Great special edition on PCBH from the Journal of Clinical Psychology in Medical Settings<sup>12</sup>

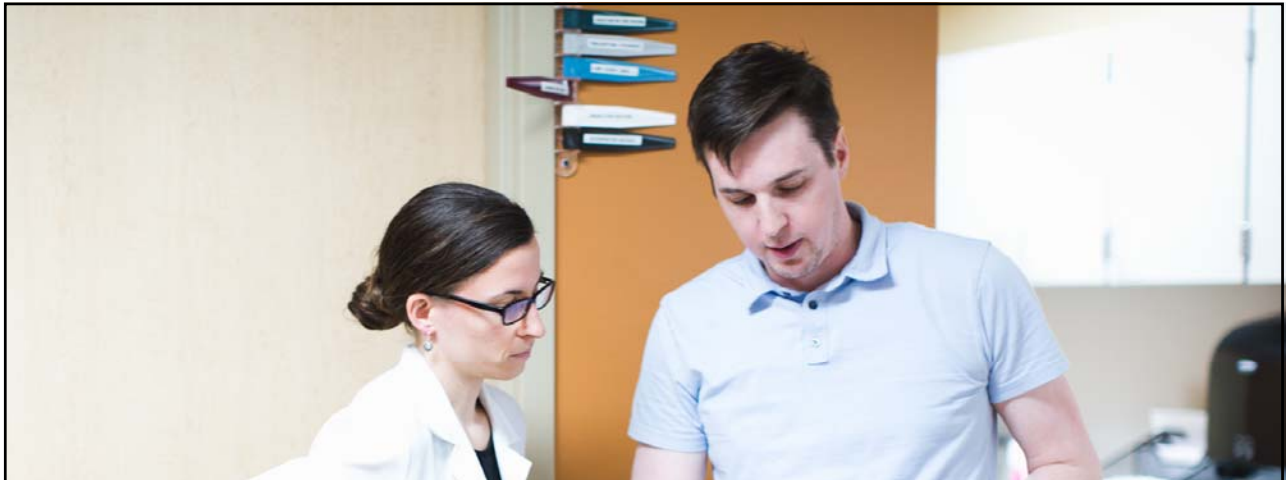
If you haven't read, please do!

- G** – Generalist
- A** – Accessible
- T** – Team oriented
- H** – Highly productive
- E** – Educator
- R** – Routine



GENERALIST | GATHER





ACCESSIBLE

GATHER



TEAM ORIENTED

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HIGH PRODUCTIVITY

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EDUCATOR

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## PART II: NUTS AND BOLTS OF THE ROLE

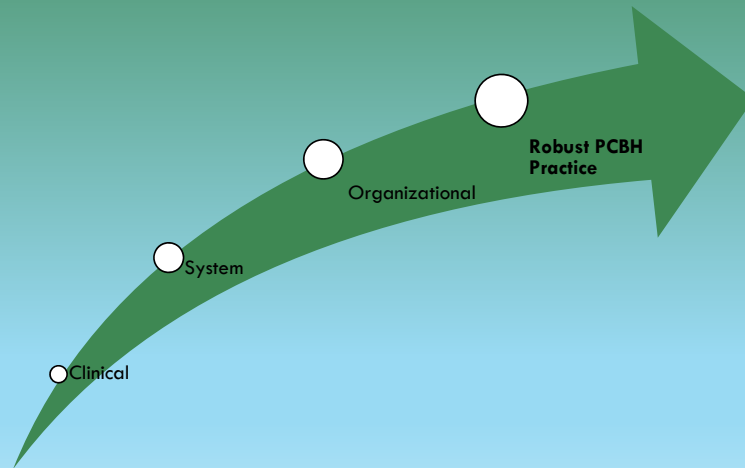


## GROUP DISCUSSION

What are the common barriers you have seen in integrated care/PCBH?



## 3 MAJOR TYPES OF BARRIERS<sup>1,3</sup>



## COMMON CLINICAL BARRIERS<sup>1,3</sup>

### Narrow, specialized focus

- E.g., kids vs adults
- E.g., only MH or BH
- Why a barrier?

### Difficulty managing time

- Too time intensive in duration
- Why a barrier?

### Mismanagement of follow-up visits

- Too frequent/ too infrequent
- Why a barrier?

### Focus on symptom reduction vs. functional restoration

- Why a barrier?



## OVERCOMING CLINICAL BARRIERS: NARROW/SPECIALIST → BE A TRUE GENERALIST



PC has gamut of conditions/concerns and ages/populations



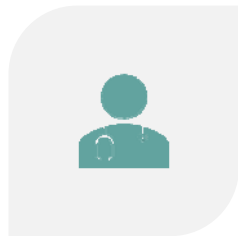
Utilize your knowledge/skills and adapt to population



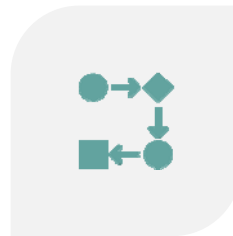
Why we recommend a contextual/behavioral approach



## OVERCOMING CLINICAL BARRIERS: DIFFICULT TIME MANAGEMENT → INTENTIONAL STRUCTURE



SOUND INTRODUCTION



STRUCTURED VISITS



OVERCOMING CLINICAL BARRIERS:  
**TROUBLE WITH FOLLOW-UPS** → **UNDERSTAND PC CONTEXT**



UNDERSTANDING  
PRIMARY CARE



RIGHT TRAJECTORY



PRAGMATIC –  
WHAT'S HELPFUL?



OVERCOMING CLINICAL BARRIERS:  
**FOCUS ON SYMPTOM REDUCTION** → **FOCUS ON FUNCTIONING**



FUNCTIONAL RESTORATION



PHQ-9 VS DUKE HEALTH PROFILE




IF WE JUDGE SUCCESS BY HOW YOU ARE  
FEELING, WE WILL LOSE EVENTUALLY...  
HOWEVER, IF WE JUDGE SUCCESS BY  
YOUR BEHAVIORS, THAT IS A WINNABLE  
GAME."






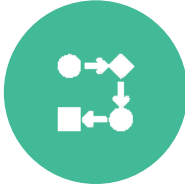
**OVERCOMING SYSTEM BARRIERS:**  
**TRADITIONAL PACE → PRIMARY CARE PACE**




PRIMARY CARE TIME



BIRD IN THE HAND



BUILD CLEAR PROCESS TO ASCERTAIN WHO



OVERCOMING SYSTEM BARRIERS:  
PROVIDER RESISTANT → CREATE A CONTEXT OF BUY-IN



IF YOU HELP THEIR PATIENTS, THEY  
WILL USE YOU! LET YOUR WORK  
SPEAK FOR ITSELF



GET SOMETHING DONE, EFFECTIVE  
INTERVENTIONS



OVERCOMING SYSTEM BARRIERS:  
PROVIDER RESISTANT → CREATE A CONTEXT OF BUY-IN



BE ASSERTIVE, YET PATIENT



INFUSE YOURSELF INTO  
ALL ASPECTS OF CLINIC  
OPERATIONS



GIVE BARRIERS TO CLINICAL  
SERVICES QUESTIONNAIRE  
AND BHC SATISFACTION  
SURVEYS



PICK YOUR BATTLES



STRATEGIES  
(NEXT SLIDES!)





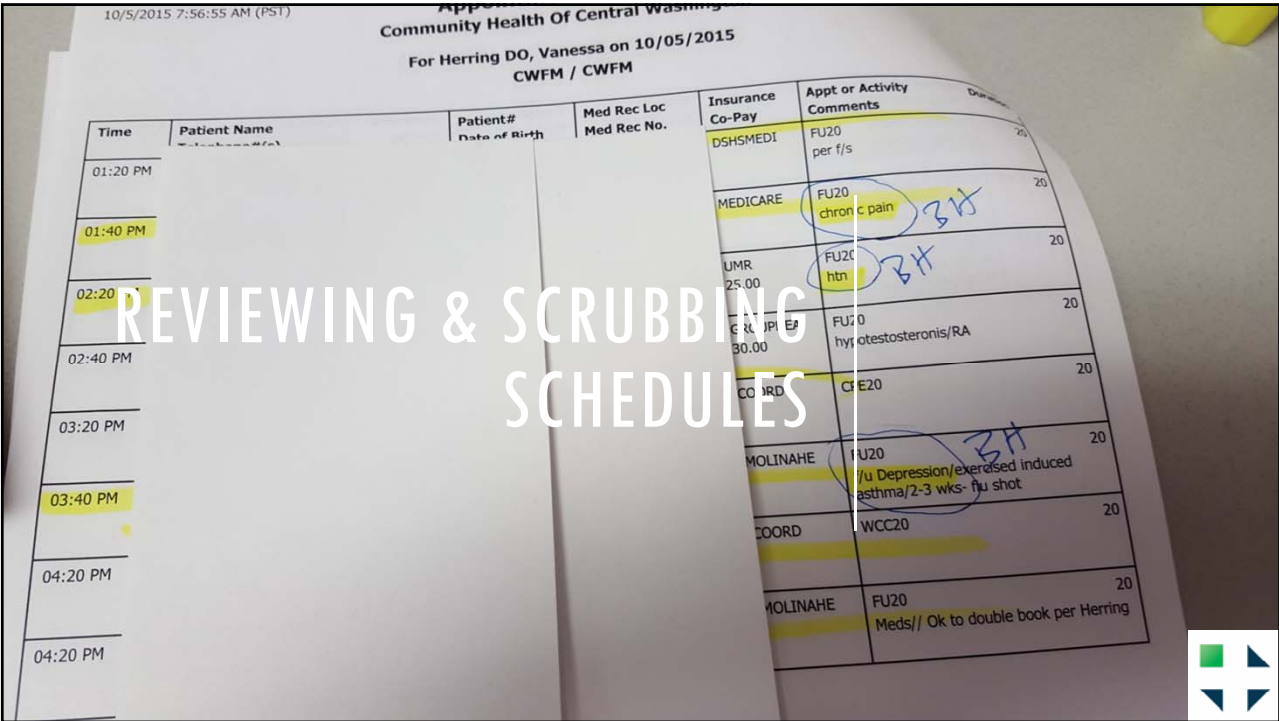
**OVERCOMING SYSTEM BARRIERS:**  
**PROVIDER RESISTANT → CREATE A CONTEXT OF BUY-IN**

Huddling

Huddling before morning and afternoon clinics

- Video

- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1H3sYUOH4>



**REVIEWING & SCRUBBING SCHEDULES**





## Appointment Schedule Community Health of Central Washington

YOU TRY!

For Doe, MD, Joe on 01/16/2018

Time	Patient Name	Age	Appt or Activity Comments
8:20 AM	Patient 1 Male	15 years	NEWPT Aneurysm
8:40 AM	Patient 2 Female	35 years	DM/Obesity
9:00 AM	Patient 3 Male	46 years	Smoking/lice
9:20 AM	Patient 4 Male	30 years	CPE
9:40 AM	Patient 5 Male	2 years	WCC
10:00 AM	Patient 6 Female	39 years	Med review
10:20 AM	Patient 7 Female	25 years	WWE
11:00 AM	Patient 8 Female	89 years	Memory concerns
11:20 AM	Patient 9 Female	26 years	Substance use
1:20 PM	Patient 10 Male	52 years	BP
1:40 PM	Patient 11 Male	21 years	Concentration
2:00 PM	Patient 12 Female	18 years	INITIAL OB
2:20 PM	Patient 13 Female	50 years	HTN
3:00 PM	Patient 14 Male	78 years	Cough/DM
3:20 PM	Patient 15 Female	45 years	Chronic pain
4:00 PM	Patient 16 Female	33 years	Palpitations/anxiety



ACCURATE INTRODUCTION



EFFECTIVE INTRODUCTION



[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W4ODCOGZL0&list=PLVLH\\_YDU\\_BBS5OTVVEIC1ADRDEVLVDZTQ](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=W4ODCOGZL0&list=PLVLH_YDU_BBS5OTVVEIC1ADRDEVLVDZTQ)



PROVIDE HAND OUT

OVERCOMING SYSTEM BARRIERS:  
**CONFUSION OF ROLE** → **INTENTIONAL STANDARDIZATION OF BHC ROLE**





**OVERCOMING SYSTEM BARRIERS:**  
**CONFUSION OF ROLE** → **INTENTIONAL STANDARDIZATION OF BHC ROLE**

- Refer to BHC as a **team member** instead of counselor or therapist
- The BHC is an **“expert”** who helps with this **condition**
- Emphasize to the patient that you **regularly** involve the BHC in the care of a specific problem
- Inform the patient that **BHC is flexible** with the amount of **time** the BHC spends with them
- Let the patient know that this will **help you (the PCP)** help them (the patient) better

**OVERCOMING SYSTEM BARRIERS:**  
**LACK OF COMMUNICATION** → **UTILIZE ALL FORMS OF COMMUNICATION... INTENTIONALLY**


- Direct vs indirect communication
- EHR
- Okay to be interrupted

# COMMON ORGANIZATIONAL BARRIERS<sup>1,3</sup>

- Space
  - Why a barrier?
- Operations
  - Why a barrier?
- "Provider" Status
  - Why a barrier?
- Leadership Representation
  - Why a barrier?



## LITMUS TEST?



## OVERCOMING ORGANIZATIONAL BARRIERS: SILOED SPACE → INTEGRATED SPACE

Where should the BHCs sit and see patients?

- Think of the context that one creates...

See patients in exam rooms

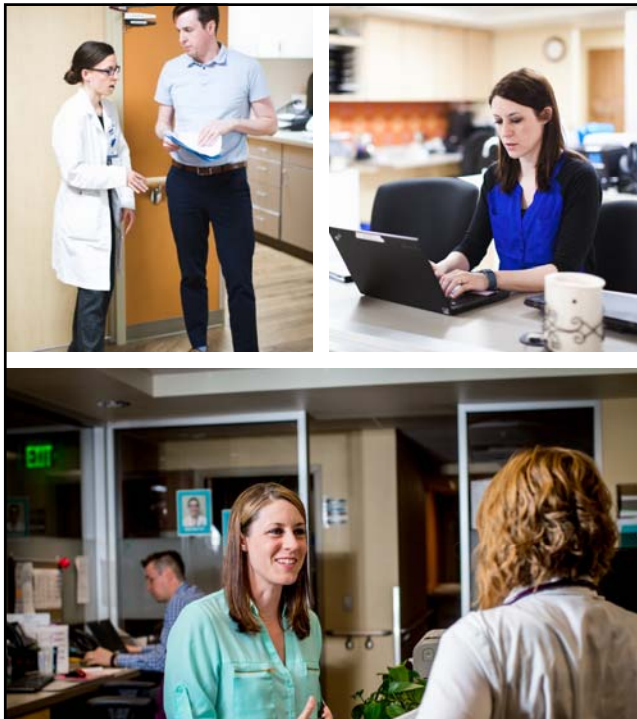
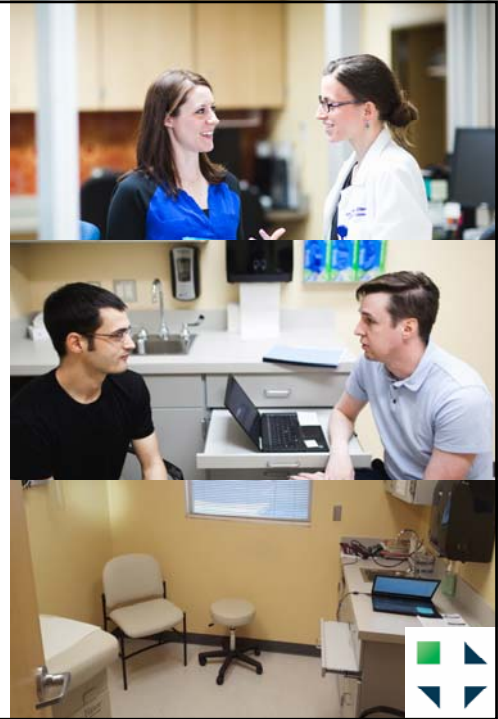
- Offices should match the primary care setting

Sit in provider pods

BE VISIBLE!

- Cool article about the impact of “bumpability”<sup>4</sup>

...Pause... Be kind... some stories...



## OVERCOMING ORGANIZATIONAL BARRIERS: SILOED OPERATIONS → INTEGRATED OPERATIONS

Think of the context...

Same processes for operations

- Check-in/out
- Scheduling follow-ups
- Triage
- Phone calls/voicemails
- Faxing
- ROIs

...Pause... Be kind... some stories...

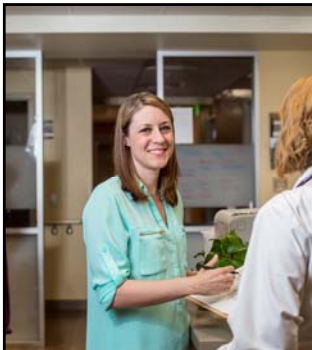
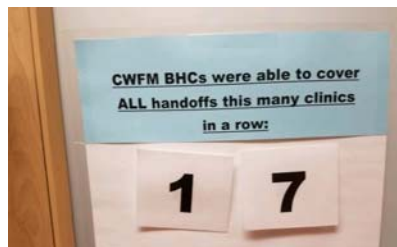


## OVERCOMING ORGANIZATIONAL BARRIERS: BHCs? → PROVIDERS

Change the culture!

- All staff
- Committees
- Provider engagement
- Provider appreciation
- All provider meetings should include BHCs

...Dare we say... think of the context



## OVERCOMING ORGANIZATIONAL BARRIERS: BHC BEING A "PROGRAM" → BEING PART OF THE CULTURE

Change the context!

- Meetings, interview processes, representation at the leadership BHC level
- BHCs should be involved in all interviews that the medical providers are included in
- Need representation at the leadership level to prevent "drift"
  - MOST IMPORTANT... develop relationships!!!

...Pause... Be kind... some stories...



What you can do?	Barriers?	GATHER
Seeing all ages, conditions	Limited scope	G
Be visible	Can't find you	A
Be available	Too long of visits, working on non-productive tasks, investing on activities with low return on investment (e.g., lengthy notes)	A
Be accessible	Subtle deterrents (slow to respond, slow to get in the room, etc.)	A
Market yourself	Isolating self, lost in obscurity	T, E, R
Interruptions	Insisting on a different set of rules from what the team practices	A, T, R
Get something done! Helping many patients	Turning down visits, automatically having patients schedule, etc.	H
Asking the team for help	Doing everything "on your own"	T
Offering the team help	Operating independently	T
Again, match the culture of the team for work patterns	Also, insisting on different set of rules, leaving early, not helping during lunch, etc.	T, H
Being a team player, especially regarding work flow	Frequent call outs, not communicating absences in advance, taking patients without talking with the medical team	T

## Summary of Barriers? Flip these...



OKAY... HOW WE FEELING?

### Remember

- Rome wasn't built in one day
- If you are on the cutting edge... you will get cut... *be kind...*

### Action items

- On your own, pick two to three SMART goals you can apply in your clinics
- Anyone willing to share?

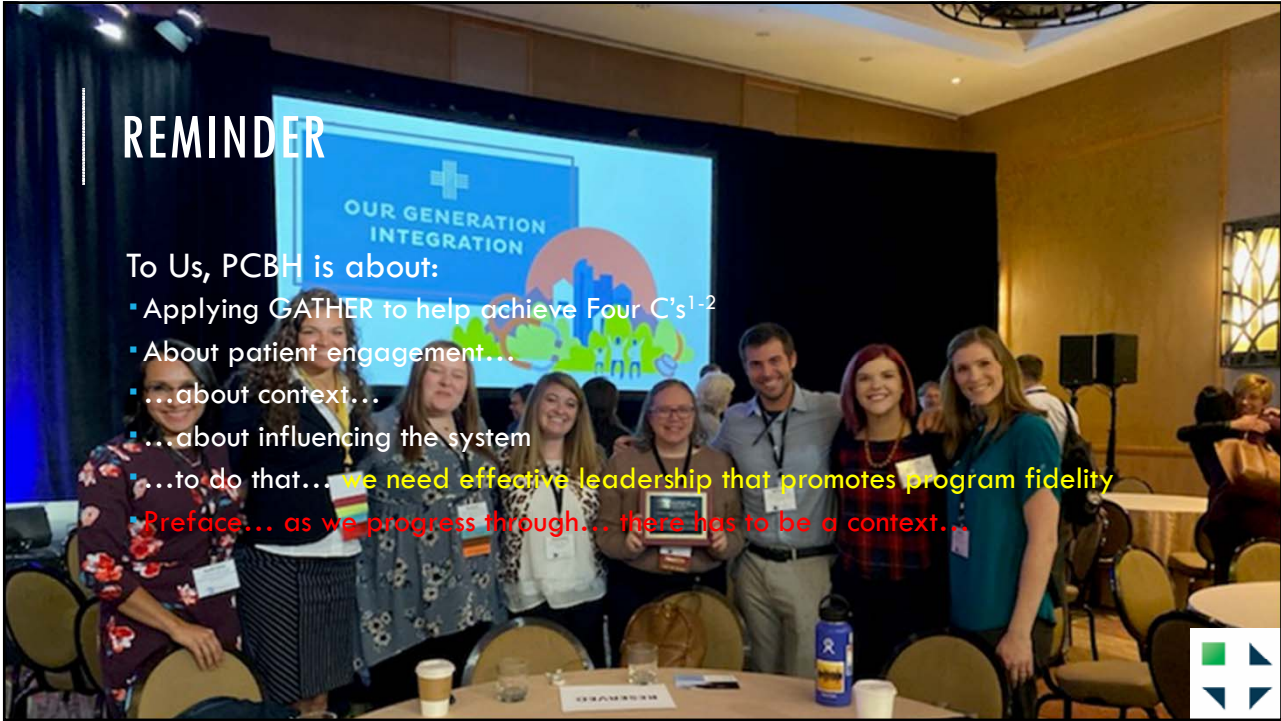
And... 😊 BE KIND...



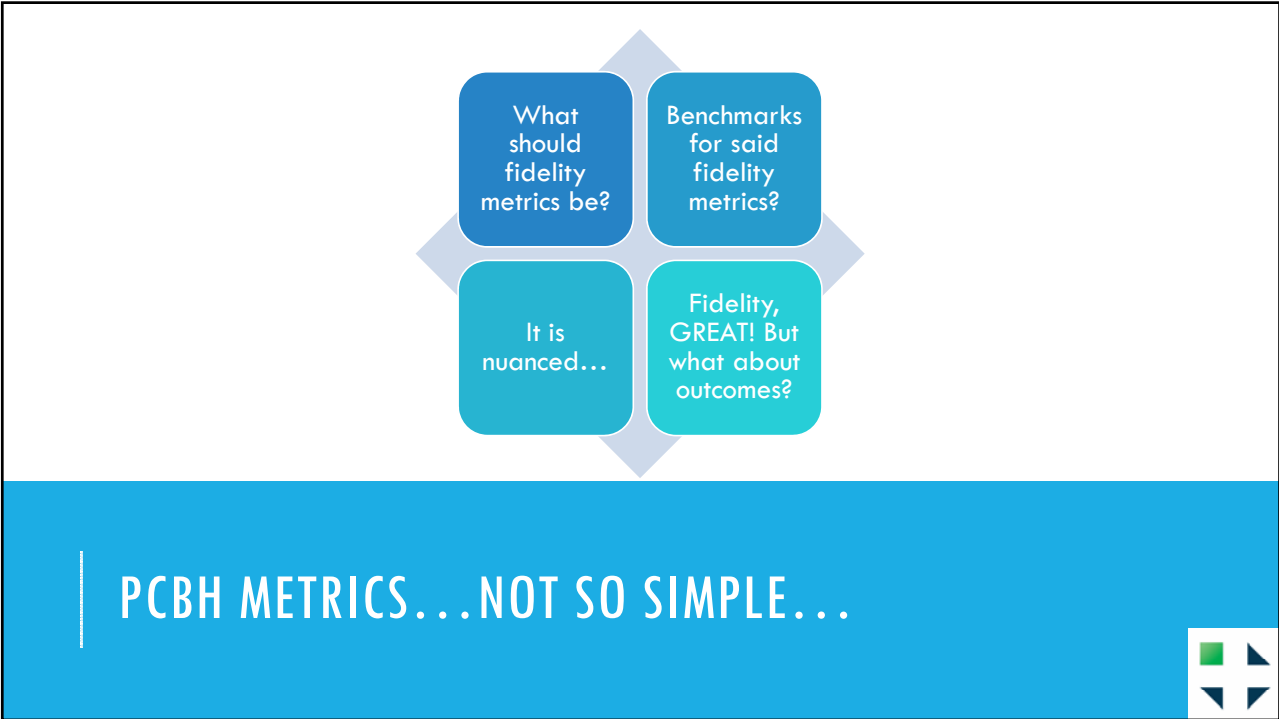


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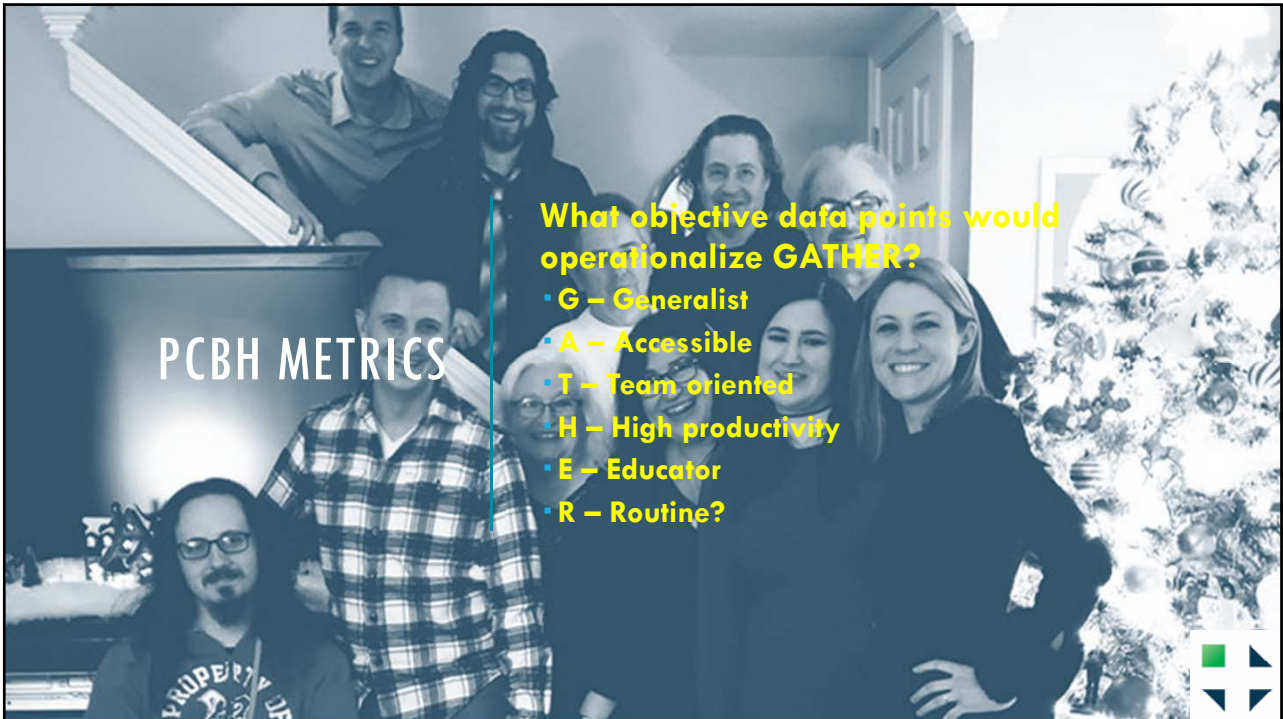






## GROUP DISCUSSION

What are fidelity metrics to PCBH?



## PCBH METRICS

What objective data points would operationalize GATHER?

- G – Generalist
- A – Accessible
- T – Team oriented
- H – High productivity
- E – Educator
- R – Routine?



GATHER	Description of behaviors	Metric/Data Point	~ Benchmark
Generalist	Seeing pts of all ages, conditions, etc. in house  Working with wide ranging patients	<b>Referral Reason</b>  <b>Patient Satisfaction / Engagement</b>	Medical conditions, behavioral, cognitive, mental health, phase of life, etc. Regional and national benchmarks; Year to year
Accessible	Seeing pts on demand, same day Most visits <30 minutes	<b>WHO / Day</b> <b>Same day vs Solo scheduled</b>	3+ / Day 50 – 50
Team Oriented	Same operations as medical team Medical Provider Satisfaction	<b>Difficult for a metric... Where BHC sees pts, sits? Work flows? Track messages to team?</b>	Same reception, EHR, budget, etc. Year to year comparison
High Productivity	Aiming for high pt volume	<b>Visits / Day</b> <b>Unique patients</b>	Average 8+ per Day / about 1/2 of medical providers'
Educator	Available for curbside consultation Patient education materials Presentations Recommendations in chart notes	<b>Difficult for a metric... Pull from EHR data? Track messages to team? Track meetings / presentations</b>	More hard to define... Every patient encounter...
Routine	Routine part of PC services	<b>Unique Patients</b> <b>Initial vs Follows ups</b> <b>Total Vts/Unique Pts</b>	600+ 50 – 50 2-3 visits per patient

## “KISS” METHOD FOR SUPPORTING FIDELITY

Visits per clinic or day

Warm handoffs per clinic or day

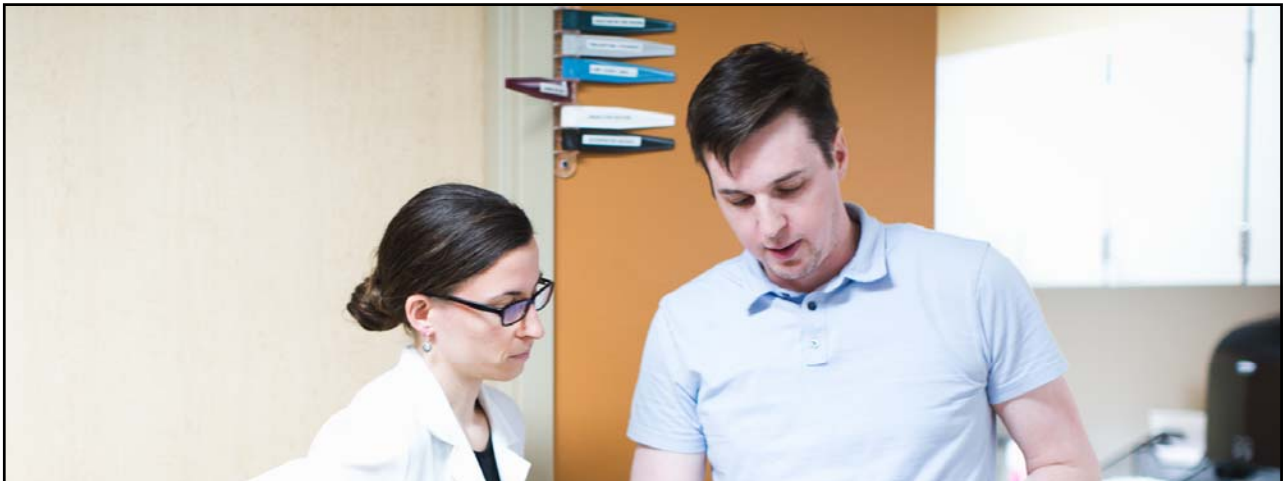
Unique patients

Patient satisfaction

Medical provider satisfaction



VISITS PER DAY/CLINIC |



WARM HANDOFFS PER CLINIC/DAY |





UNIQUE PATIENTS/PENETRATION RATE |

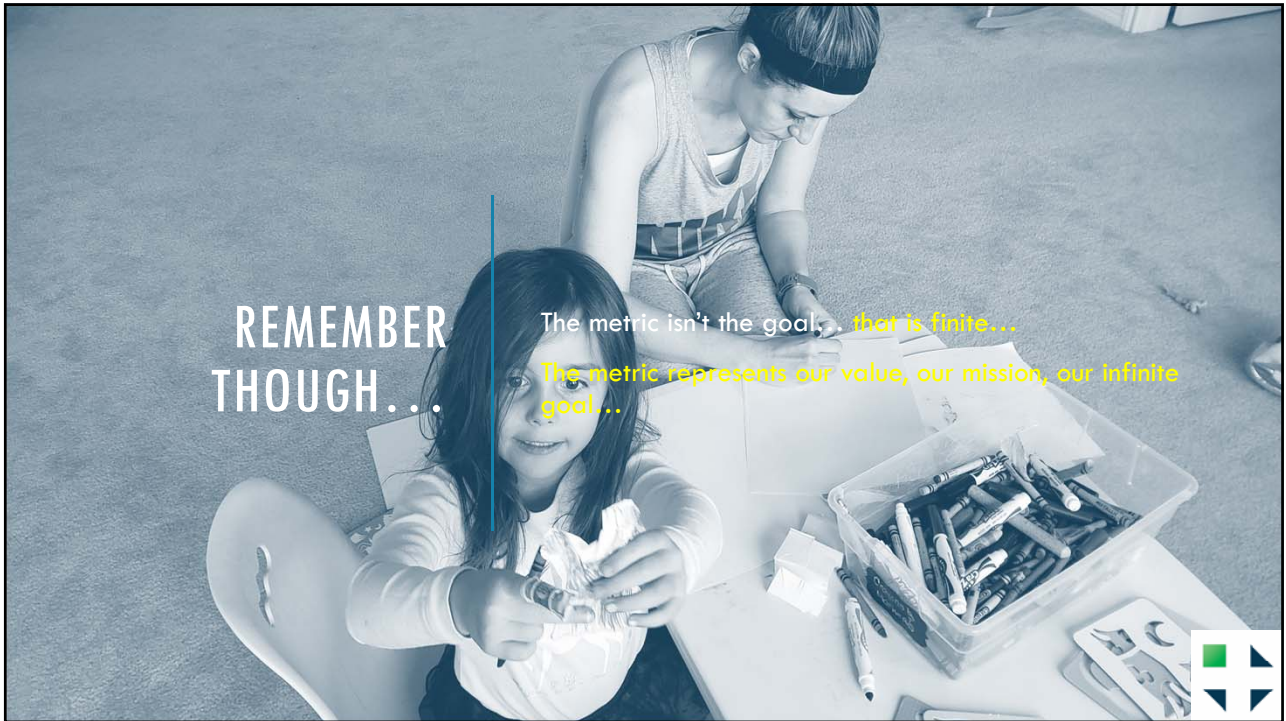


PATIENT SATISFACTION |





## PCP SATISFACTION



REMEMBER  
THOUGH...

The metric isn't the goal... *that is finite...*

The metric represents our value, our mission, our infinite goal...





## PCBH METRICS

<https://youtu.be/43JP2SUJ4RW>  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LEMZZEVJEQM>

If we focus on depression scores, is that measuring PCBH?

If we focus on DM scores, does that maybe do it?

To us, KISS for PCBH outcome measures:

<p style="background-color: #e0e0e0; padding: 5px; margin: 0;">Patient engagement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why?</li> </ul>	<p style="background-color: #e0e0e0; padding: 5px; margin: 0;">Provider satisfaction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Why?</li> </ul>
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# WHAT STRATEGIES DO WE USE TO KEEP FIDELITY?

Intensive onboarding process

Monthly meetings

Awards

- BHC awards/clubs
  - **BHC of the Month Algorithm**
    - **Shining Star Award BHC** with the highest patient satisfaction
    - **Producer Award BHC** who has the most visits in the past month
    - **Mardthon Award BHC** who worked the most clinics the past month
    - **New Heights Award BHC** with the highest patient per clinic average
    - **Benjamin Club BHCs** who have had over 100 visits in the past month
    - **Task-Destroyer Club BHCs** who were not delinquent
    - **Sharp Shooter Club BHCs** that met the target of at least 4.2 pts/clinic
    - Example of the "Award Show"
  - Warm-handoff of the month trophy

Regular presentations/trainings to medical staff

Shadowing of BHCs

Advocating for BHCs to be truly integrated

- Operations/systems/organizationally

Connection back to each BHCs' "whys?"



# ONBOARDING BHCs



Most BHCs are in same situation – brand new position!



Major changes from graduate school and training



And, yeah, those with "experience"...yeah, that doesn't mean anything



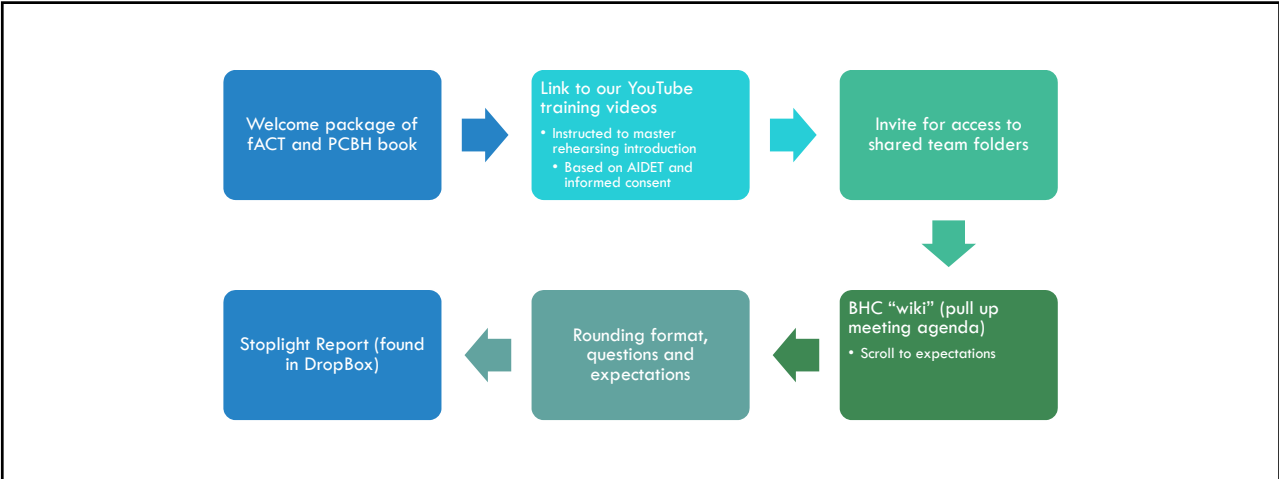
Therefore, we need an intensive onboarding!



Know your BHCs' "why?"/Supervision moving forward







**INITIAL PHASE WITH DIRECTOR OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH**

# INITIAL PHASE

Re-orientation to PCBH model/framework  
Hand out of our services

## Behavioral Health Consulting Services, provided by Behavioral Health Consultants (BHCs)

### BHCs can help patients with:

- ❖ Quitting smoking
- ❖ Healthy living/ Weight management
  - Exercise plans
  - Healthy eating
- ❖ Diabetes
- ❖ "Nerves" or anxiety
- ❖ Stress
- ❖ "Blues" or depression
- ❖ Panic, chest pain
- ❖ Alcohol and drug problems
- ❖ Sleeping/insomnia
- ❖ High blood pressure
- ❖ Relationship problems
- ❖ Domestic violence
- ❖ ADHD
- ❖ Taking medications as prescribed
- ❖ Parenting tips
- ❖ Behavioral problems
- ❖ Chronic or persistent pain

### Who are BHCs?

BHCs may be clinical psychologists with a doctorate degree or clinicians with a master's degree in Social Work, Marriage & Family, Psych, or Counseling.

### Our BHC Team:

\*James Jones, PsyD, Sally Smith, PsyD, Tom Jones, LCSW

## What do BHC services look like?

\*BHCs have unscheduled, same day visits (i.e., warm handoffs) as well as scheduled visits. PCP or patient self-referral.

\*BHCs visits are usually about **30 minutes**. Some patients come for a single visit; others have more visits to learn new skills.

\*BHCs can help patients to do more things in their day-to-day lives that are important to them, even when not feeling well.

\*Explore patients' values

\*Teach mindfulness/relaxation

\*Help with goal setting

\*BHCs do **NOT** prescribe meds, but do assist with medication adherence plans

### Possible Patient Benefits:

Improved holistic healthcare  
Support in making lifestyle changes  
Skills for managing life stresses

### Services are for:

All ages. Children, teens, adults, and older adults. All problems.

### Cost:

Check with patient's insurance cc for co-pay cost  
Sliding scale available

## Introducing & Involving BHCs in Visits

Please introduce BHCs as: **Behavioral Health Consultants**

Other names may include: team member, colleague, or behavioral health provider

\*Do **NOT** describe a referral reason as: "**counseling**," "**therapy**," or "**psych issues**" as this can prompt unwanted, preconceived notions

To describe what BHCs "do," you can use phrases/words such as, BHCs help with:

- "lifestyle change"
- "stress management"
- "healthy living"

BHC involvement same day can be described as:

- "Our BHC is a team member whose role is to help patients improve their overall health" [reassure patients that the visit will be brief and quite possibly available right away]

If a patient is **resistant** to meeting with a BHC, you can approach it as you would for other referrals. **Most PCPs have few problems asserting a referral to a cardiologist, and involving a BHC is no different**

You can say something such as, "I'd like you to see our BHC..."

- "... to learn relaxation strategies for managing your headaches"
- "...to make a plan for improving your blood pressure"

It's helpful to frame BHC visits as routine or a standard part of care that helps the PCP...

- "I refer all of my patients with \_\_\_\_\_, and it would help us get other ideas for improving your \_\_\_\_\_"

My BHC is always **busy** with patients, what should I do? Regarding interrupting BHCs:

- "BHCs prefer interruptions as it helps them be team players and to provide services/consultations at the time of need!" You can also contact a fellow BHC in clinic

What if my patient already has a counselor, psychiatrist or therapist?

- Often specialty counselors have a completely different role, if the patient could improve her/his health by engaging in behavior change, a BHC may still be useful in helping you provide care

While a BHC may be highly involved in the patient's care, ultimately, the **PCP** is primary carefaker

# INITIAL PHASE

Hand out of "How BHCs are introduced"

# INITIAL PHASE

Review contextual interview – give laminated hard copy

Review EHR templates (also created based on contextual interview)

## Contextual Interview

- **Love – Work – Play**
  - Living situation
  - Relationship status & sex
  - Family
  - Friends
  - Spiritual life
  - Work
  - Income
  - Fun/hobbies
- **Health Risk & Behaviors**
  - Caffeine
  - Tobacco
  - Alcohol
  - Marijuana
  - Street drugs
  - Diet
  - Exercise
  - Sleep
- **Time – Trigger – Trajectory of problem**
  - Onset of problem?
  - Recent change, why now?
  - Triggers?
  - Things that make it better, worse?
  - Effect on love – work – play?

\*adapted from Robinson, P., Gould, D., & Strosahl, K. (2010). *Real behavior change in primary care: Improving patient outcomes & increasing job satisfaction*. Oakland, CA: New Harbinger Publications, Inc.

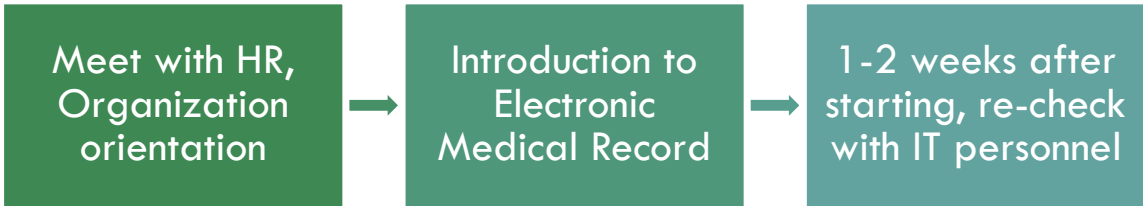


# INITIAL PHASE

Review core competency tool

Behavioral Health Consultant Core Competency Tool	
Competency	Rating 1=low 5=high
<b>Domain 1: Clinical Practice Skills</b>	
1. Attends to entire clinic population.	
2. Participates in preventative care.	
3. Promotes small changes in a large number of patients.	
4. Participates in development and implementation of PCBH pathways.	
5. Describes services accurately to new patients.	
6. Understands the relationship of medical and psychological systems.	
7. Uses appropriate assessment tools.	
8. Clarifies referral problem with patient and PCP.	
9. Limits assessment focus to one referral problem.	
10. Conducts brief life context interview.	
11. Conducts effective functional analysis of target problem.	
12. Combines information from life context and functional analysis interviews to create effective interventions.	
13. Offers patient a choice among interventions.	
14. Shows knowledge of best practice guidelines, ESTs.	
15. Matches interventions to patient's strengths and deficits.	
16. Uses self-management, home-based practice.	
17. Provides patient with written or printed copy of plan.	
18. Assesses patient confidence in behavior change plan.	
19. Demonstrates basic knowledge of medications.	
20. Provides groups or classes for a variety of problems (sleep, stress, lifestyle).	
21. Provides group medical visits.	





# 1<sup>ST</sup> MONTH

1<sup>ST</sup> MONTH: WEEK 1~

Shadow veteran BHCs

“Grade” veteran using CIOF-A

Towards end of week, new BHC will start to scribe for veteran BHC

Debrief

Contextual Interview Observation Form - Adult (CIOF-A)

Introduction	Circle	
	Yes	No
Introduces self to patient and any other person/people in the exam room in a friendly manner (i.e., greeting, smile, eye contact, etc.)	Yes	No
Establishes relationship of other person/people in exam room to the patient	Yes	No
Elicits patient’s presenting problems and negotiates agenda for the visit	Yes	No
Explains s/he will ask a series of questions before diving into presenting problem	Yes	No
<b>Love – Work – Play:</b>		
Establishes patient’s living situation (i.e., who is in the home?)	Yes	No
Establishes patient’s relationship status (i.e., dating, married, single, etc.)	Yes	No
Asks which family members are important in his/her life	Yes	No
Asks who, if anyone, is a close friend (i.e., best friend, distant, online, etc.)	Yes	No
Asks if any spiritual beliefs, practices, or philosophies impact his/her life	Yes	No
Establishes source(s) of income (i.e., employment, student loans, SSI, etc.)	Yes	No
Discovers at least one pleasurable or fun activity for the patient, present or past	Yes	No
<b>Health Behaviors:</b>		
Asks patient about their sleep habits and sleep quality	Yes	No
Asks patient about their diet (i.e., home-cooked, fast food, fresh produce, etc.)	Yes	No
Asks patient about their exercise habits	Yes	No
<b>Health Risk:</b>		
Asks if patient ingests caffeine? If so, the interviewer asks how much?	Yes	No
Asks if the patient uses any tobacco products? If so, asks how much?	Yes	No
Asks if the patient uses alcohol? If so, asks how much?	Yes	No
Asks if the patient uses marijuana? If so, asks how much?	Yes	No
Asks if patient uses street drugs (i.e., illegal rxs, cocaine, meth, etc.)? If so, what kind and how much?	Yes	No

## 1<sup>ST</sup> MONTH: WEEK 2~

Scribing for veteran BHCs:  
initial & follow up  
appointments

Transition to new BHC doing  
contextual interview while  
veteran BHC scribes

New BHC does intervention,  
veteran BHC monitors

Debrief



## 1<sup>ST</sup> MONTH: WEEK 3~

Putting it all  
together – new  
visits new BHC does  
full visit & scribes

Follow up visits –  
new BHC & veteran  
BHC do co-visits

- Veteran BHC “grades”  
using BH observation  
tools
- Feedback & debrief



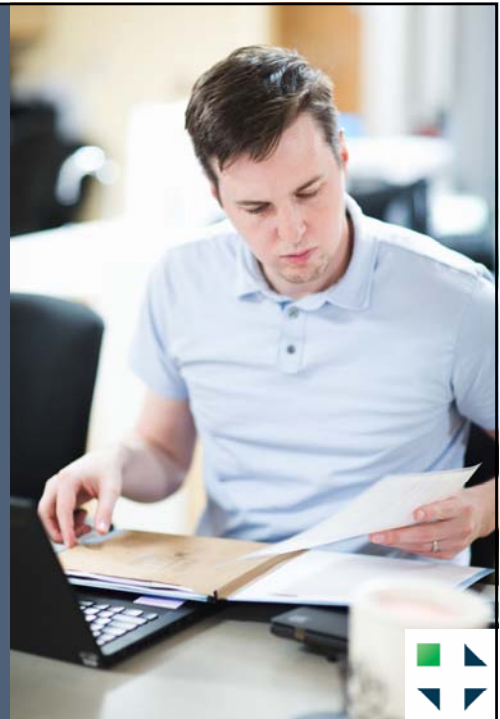
## 1<sup>ST</sup> MONTH: WEEK 4~

Transition to new clinic –  
open reduced schedule

Intermittent shadowing  
throughout week by DoBH

Troubleshooting with DoBH –  
30 day review?

End of week: Discuss  
adjusted schedule timeline



## Standardization?



THE FLY-WHEEL STARTS TO  
SPIN!



ALL BHCS USING A SIMILAR  
FRAMEWORK...



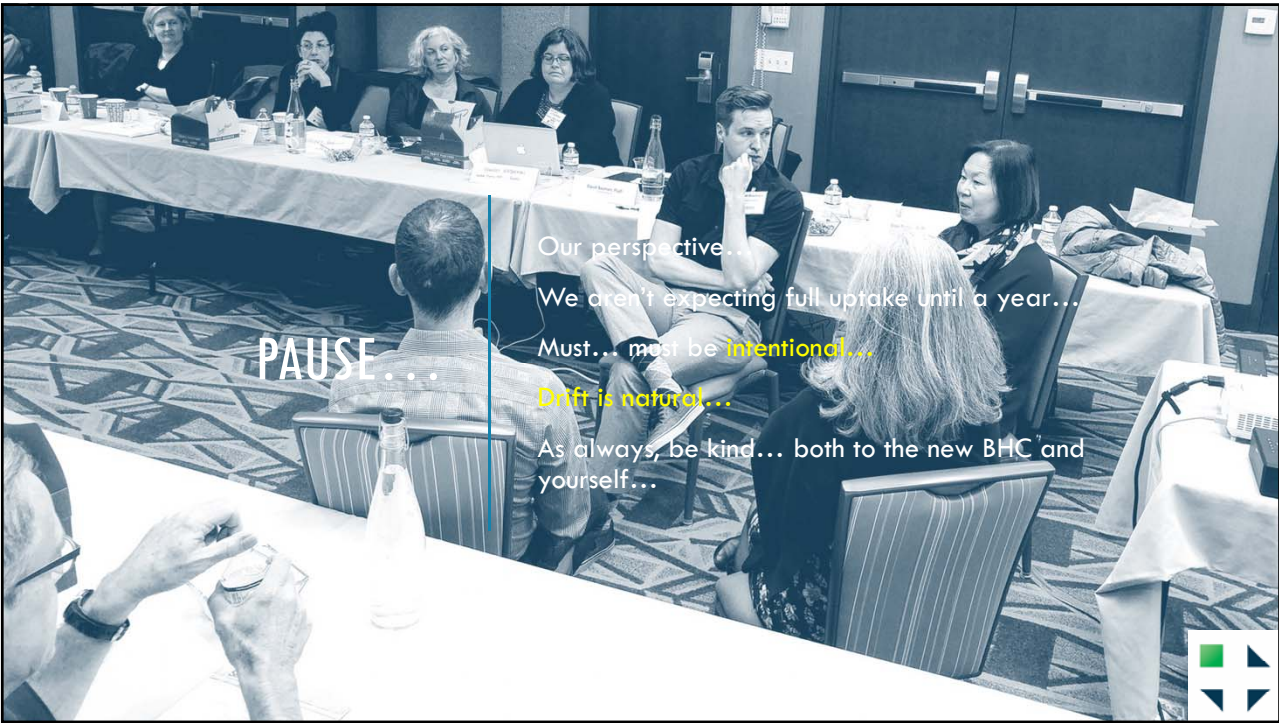
1  
Review of metrics  
to ensure increase

2  
Discuss next steps  
w/opening more  
slots

3  
BHC Core  
Competency Tool

4  
Feedback from  
peers/colleagues;  
BHC's "why?" – In  
person, via email

# 90 DAY REVIEW





# EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT<sup>3-4</sup>

The **irony** about what we do for employee engagement

What **context are we creating** in our teams?

- Its frustrating... but... the behavior reflects the context...

What **behaviors are we reinforcing?**

Survey? Ask them.

Meet with them. Ask them.

Did we mention talking to them about their "why?"

- Often... the biggest barrier is when "whys" don't match...



# EMPLOYEE ENGAGEMENT — INDUSTRIAL ORGANIZATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY SUGGESTS

Flex time<sup>5</sup>

20% Passion time<sup>5</sup>

Productivity for 5 days versus 4 days<sup>6</sup>

Regular check-ins<sup>3-4</sup>

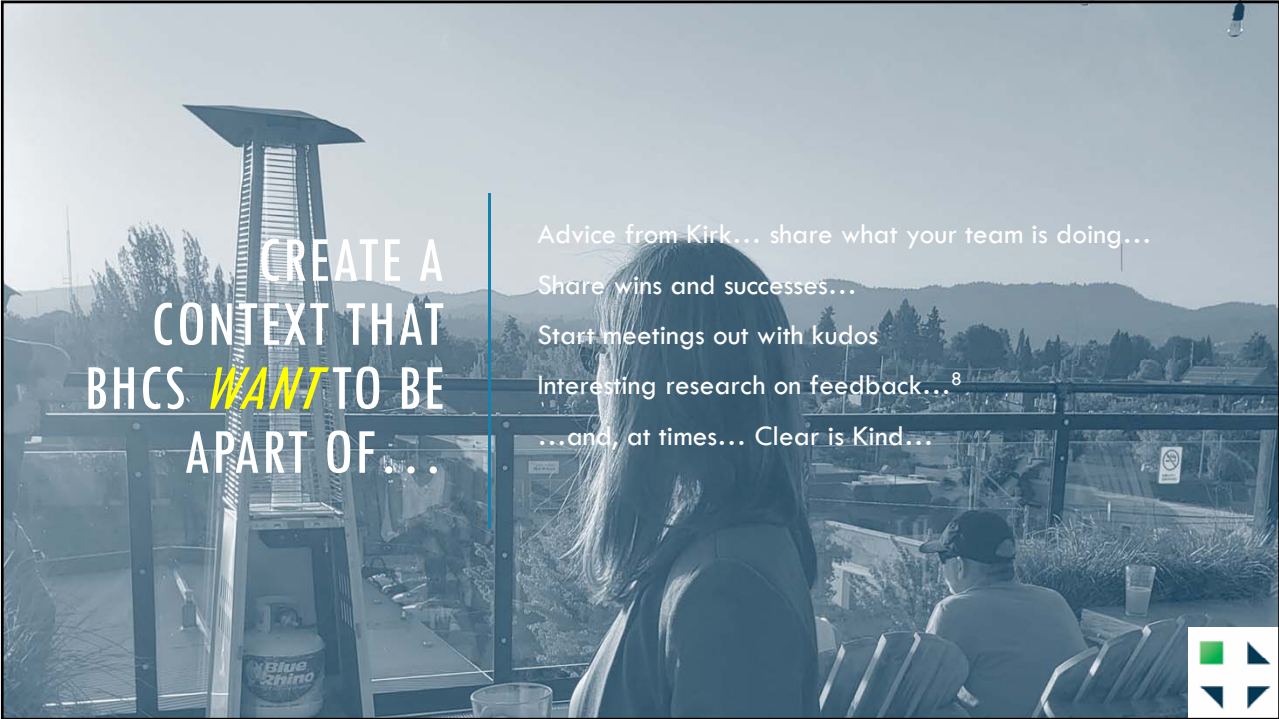
Connecting on a personal level

"Clear is kind"<sup>7</sup>

- You Promote what you Permit<sup>4</sup>









# OTHER LEADERSHIP THOUGHTS...

Become friends with...

- IT and EHR team
- Billing and coding
- Others?

Approach conversations...

Watch your mind filling in information...

- Like with patients, the behavior has a function and is coming from a context...

Watch out for "us vs. them"



# YOUR SUGGESTED LEADERSHIP READINGS

...and the Studer Group related:

<https://publishing.studergroup.com/books/individual-books>

- *Core of High Performance* – Quint Studer
- *The E-Factor* – Craig Deao
- *Straight A Leadership* – Quint Studer
- *Compassionomics* – Stephen Trzeciak, Anthony Muzzo

*Dare to Lead* – Brene Brown

*The Infinite Game* – Simon Sinek

*Start with Why* – Simon Sinek

*Radical Candor* – Kim Scott

*Nine Lies About Work* – Marcus Buckingham, Ashley Goodall

...there are millions out there... share what you find is helpful...

...seek out books that challenge your assumptions...





# AS WE END . . .

Put the same **time** into leadership as you did as a BHC...

Many metrics, suggest **KISS**...

- Have both fidelity and outcomes

Be **intentional** with **onboarding**, even with BHCs that have had "previous" experience

Work hard to **create a culture of engagement**

Above all... **be kind**... we have never doubted ourselves more than with leadership...

Truly, **thank you** for being here today...



# QUESTIONS???



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