

Pathways to Hope and Healing

Maternal Opioid Use Disorder Care Continuum



MAYA, age 25:

- 5 months pregnant
- Enrolled in Medicaid
- Has opioid use disorder (OUD)
- Faces housing and transportation insecurity

SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT

PRIMARY OBSTETRIC CARE PATH



- Pregnancy assessment and substance use disorder screening
- Team offers trauma-informed, dignified care

EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT PATH



- Arrival following an opioid overdose or related condition
- Team offers trauma-informed, dignified care

POSITIVE OUD SCREENING

CONNECTION TO TREATMENT AND SUPPORT



- Provider offers buprenorphine or coordinates medication for opioid use disorder (MOUD) appointment
- Care team develops plan for safe care, connects patient with Perinatal Substance Use Navigator, and when available, lived experience navigation support

MATERNAL AND INFANT CARE + OUD TREATMENT

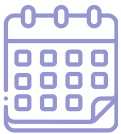


- Hospital care team offers trauma-informed, dignified care
- Maya delivers her baby
- Care team initiates Eat, Sleep, Console to support mother-infant bonding and reduce withdrawal symptoms



- Continued MOUD and navigation support
- Maya receives naloxone*

POSTPARTUM, INFANT CARE, AND ONGOING RECOVERY



- Continued Project M.O.M. navigation through 12 months postpartum, supporting coordinated care for mother and infant, continuation of MOUD treatment, medical and behavioral health care, and connection to social and community resources

BARRIERS TO ...

SCREENING AND ASSESSMENT:

- Lack of screening protocol
- Lack of adequate or any prenatal care
- Insufficient prenatal care providers
- Patient experience of stigma and negative health care encounters

TREATMENT AND SUPPORT:

- Insufficient providers and/or facilities
- Lack of care coordination and social supports
- Institutional barriers to dispensing medications
- Providers lack awareness or training to provide MOUD treatment

OUD TREATMENT RETENTION:

- Prioritizing infant needs and concerns
- Lack of integrated primary care
- Lack of social supports

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