Caring for the Dyad

# Perinatal Substance Use Treatment Incorporation into Routine Prenatal Care

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#### **Objectives**

- #1 Outline best practices for Substance Use Disorder (SUD) and Opioid Use Disorder (OUD) care during pregnancy and the postpartum period
- **#2** Summarize the changes that Denver Health has made for OB patients using existing resources
- #3 Apply Quality Improvement (QI) tools to practice change and guideline implementation into clinical practice
- #4 Relate multifaceted approach to practice change and guideline implementation into clinical practice as related to SUD/OUD and lessons learned



#### **Facts**

"Addiction is a chronic condition, treatment works, and recovery happens all of the time"
-Mishka Terplan, MD MPH

#### **Denver Health - Population**

- Over 4,300 births per year
- Diverse patient population:
  - 68% Hispanic/Latina
  - 85% Publicly insured
  - 41% Speak a Non-English Language
- Prenatal care is provided at
   15 different clinics staffed by
   FM, Ob/Gyn, CNM, and other
   APPs

• In 2022, 11.5% of pregnant patients had a marker of substance use

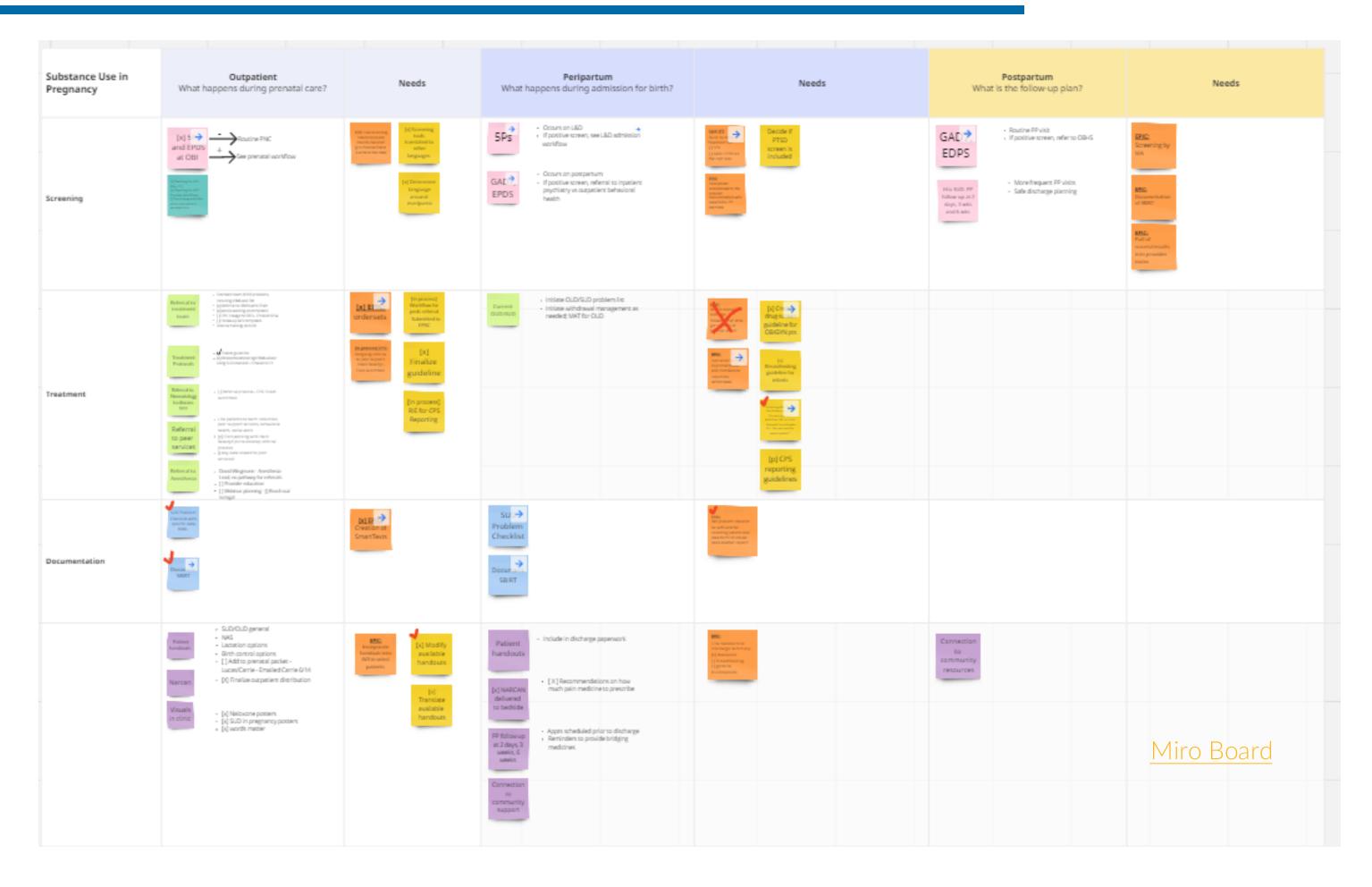
• Opioids: 2.4%

• Alcohol: 1.6%

Marijuana: 7.1%



#### **Project Planning**



Substance Use in Pregnancy - Miro

#### **DH- Pilot Site for Statewide Initiative**



#### **CONNECTION, TREATMENT & COMMUNITY**









#### **Teams Involved**

Patient Access Specialists Ob/Gyn Clinic Nursing

Postpartum Nursing

L&D Nursing Social Work

Integrated Behavioral Health

**Community Programs** 



Addiction Medicine

**Family Medicine** 

**CONNECTION, TREATMENT & COMMUNITY** 

Women and Family Services

Center for Addiction Medicine

EMR/ Informatics OB Providers

Outpatient Pharmacy

Inpatient Pharmacy

#### Integration of SUD/OUD Care into Routine Prenatal Practice

#### **Prevention**

- Universal screening
- Multimodal nonopioid analgesia

#### **Destigmatization**

- Formal training for staff
- Creating community
   partnerships and outreach

#### Harm Reduction/Naloxone

Inpatient and outpatient

## **Standardization of clinical practices**

- Toxicology testing
- Breastfeeding
- CPS reporting

#### Increase access to treatment

- MOUD treatment protocols
- Provider group expansion
- Formalized referral/connection for outpatient treatment











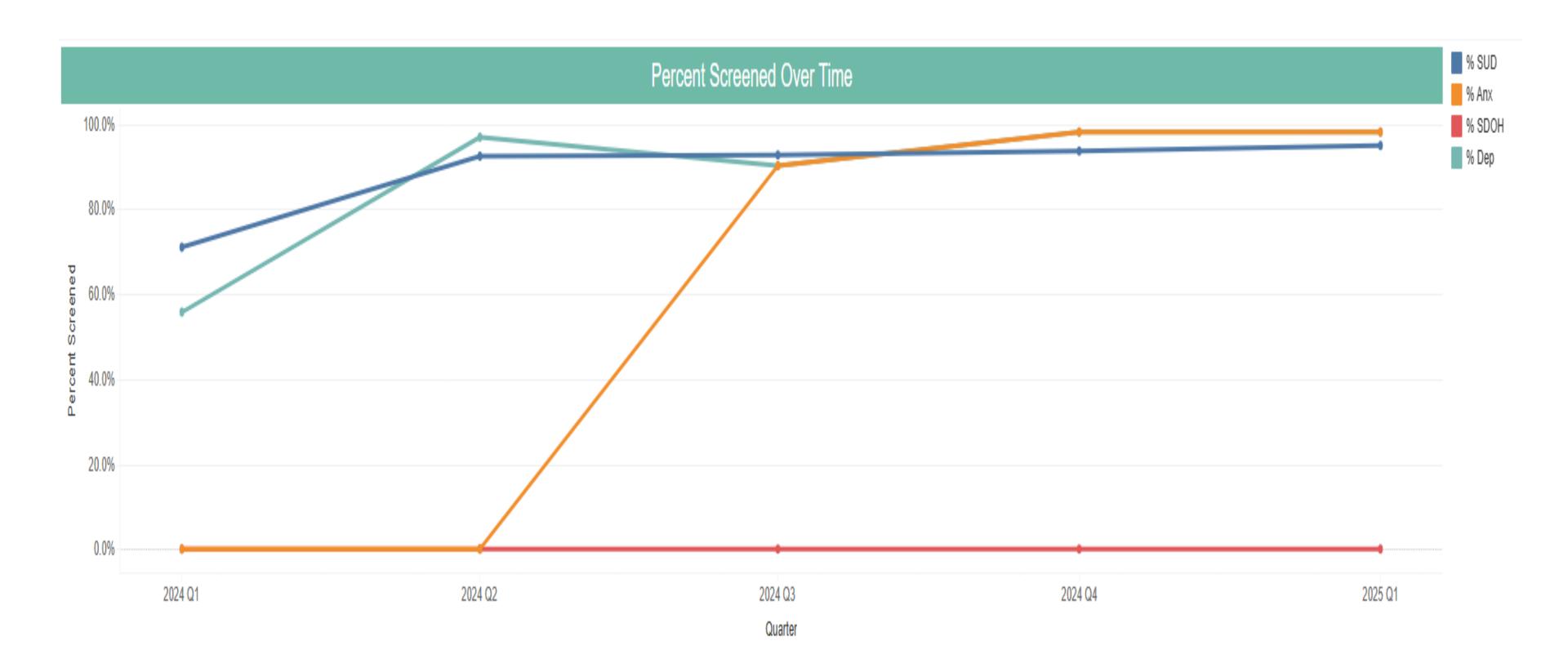
#### **Prevention – Universal Screening**

- At first prenatal care visit and on admission to L&D
- Goal for 2025: Add to postpartum visit
- Questions we had:
  - Who should do the screening?
  - How to make it happen?

| 1 | Did any of your <i>Parents</i> have problems with alcohol or drug use? NoYes                           |
|---|--|
| 2 | Do any of your friends ( <i>Peers</i> ) have problems with alcohol or drug use? NoYes                  |
| 3 | Does your <i>Partner</i> have a problem with alcohol or drug use? NoYes                                |
| 4 | Before you were pregnant did you have problems with alcohol or drug use? (Past) NoYes                  |
| 5 | In the past month, did you drink beer, wine or liquor, or use other drugs? ( <i>Pregnancy</i> )  NoYes |

The 5Ps was adapted by the Massachusetts Institute for Health and Recovery in 1999 from Dr. Hope Ewing's 4Ps (1990).





#### **Prevention – Multimodal Pain Medication Regimen**

#### Discharge Medications

If patients used 0-1 tabs of 5 mg oxycodone in the 24 hours prior to discharge, do not order outpatient opiates; if they used 2-5 tabs, order 4 tablets of oxycodone 5mg;

if >5 doses, order 8 tablets;

if >5 doses including 10mg tabs, order 12 tablets on discharge.

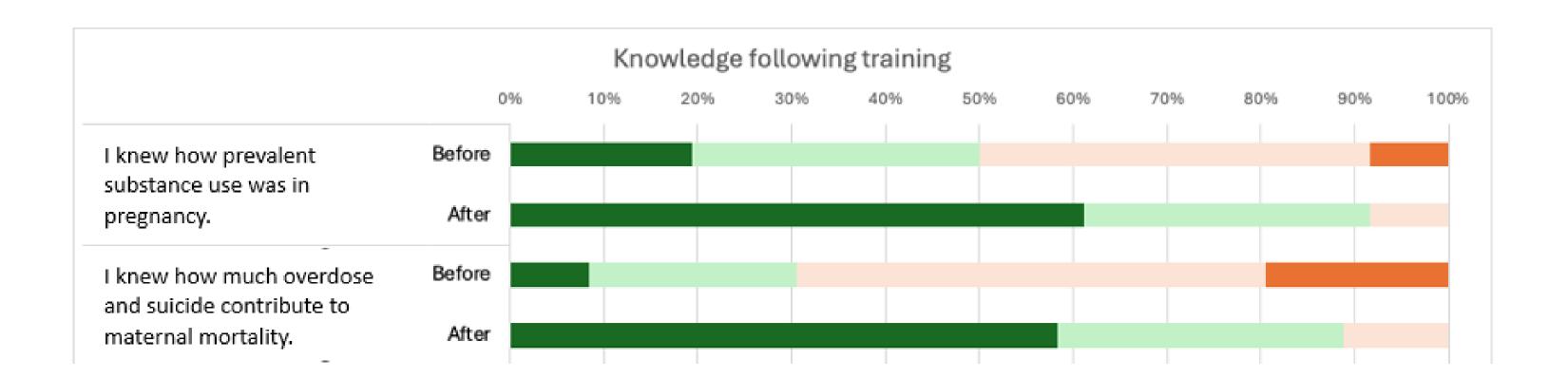
#### Publication pending study at DH:

 Non-tailored opioid discharge Rx vs. tailored opioid discharge Rx (included 275 patients total)

|              | Tailored | Non-Tailored | P value  |
|--------------|----------|--------------|----------|
| Mean MME     | 18.4     | 52.7         | P < 0.01 |
| Discharged   |          |              |          |
| home without | 60.1%    | 38.5%        | P < 0.01 |
| opioid Rx    |          |              |          |

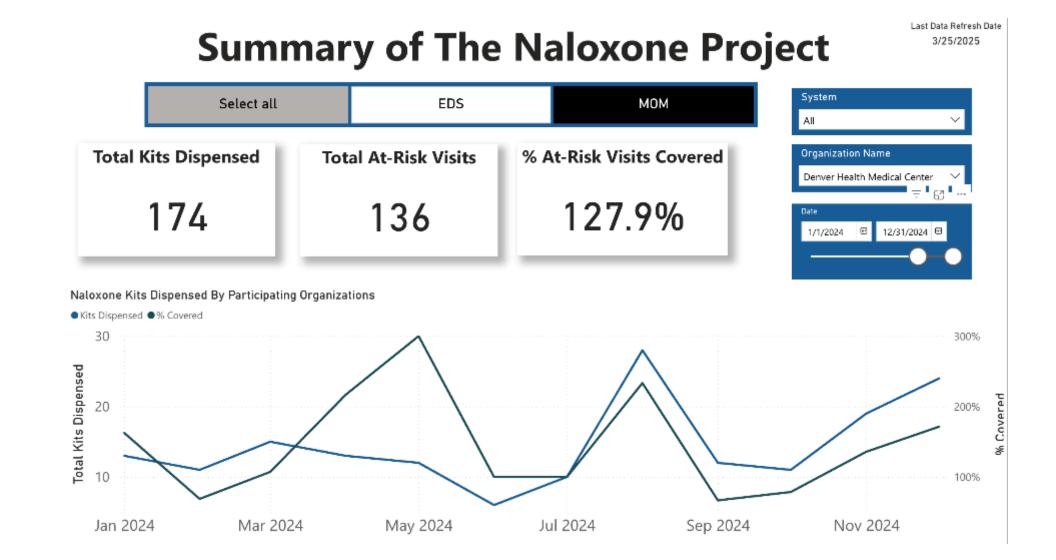
#### **Destigmatization**

- Stigma and bias training facilitated by the CPCQC for all staff including:
  - Patient access specialists
  - Medical assistants
  - Nurses
  - Providers (APPs, Attendings and Residents)



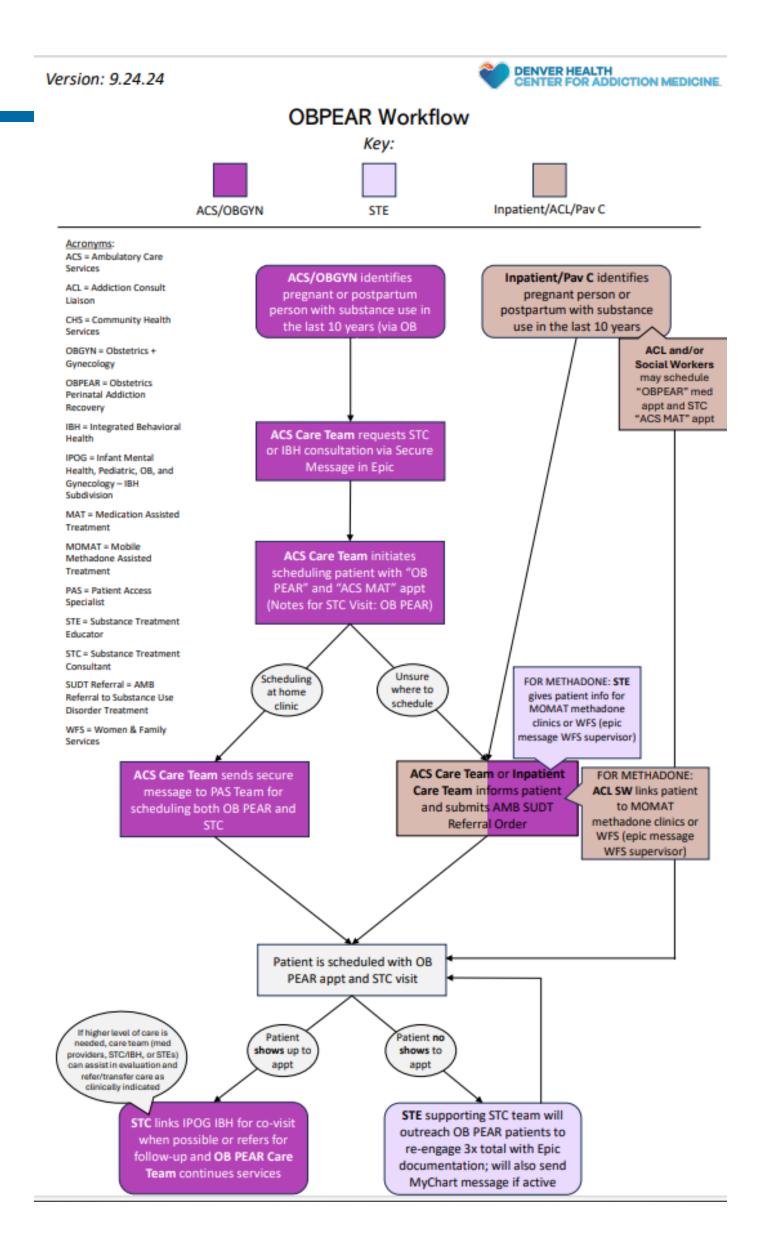
#### Harm Reduction/Naloxone

- Distribution of Naloxone in both inpatient and outpatient settings
  - Outpatient Clinic "administered"
     medicine that be given directly to
     patient to take home
  - Inpatient ALL patients with new opioid prescription or history of SUD/OUD



#### **Increased Access to Treatment**

- Universal referral to treatment to OB PEAR, regardless of desire for treatment
  - Paired visits with substance treatment counselor and OB provider
- Increasing access and decreasing fragmentation of care
  - Coordination with substance treatment counselors and Center for Addiction
     Medicine



#### **Standardization of Clinical Practice**

- OB PEAR providers universally:
  - Determine if a use disorder is present using the DSM-V
     Criteria
  - Initiate checklist for SUD/OUD
  - Screen for co-morbidities
  - Make referrals if patient is interested
  - Assess interest in MOUD, if applicable
  - Ensure patient has Naloxone!

| Prenatal:   |
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| Standard prenatal labs, plus anti-HBcore, HBsAg, CMP  |
| Repeat HIV, HCV, HBsAb, RPR, GC/CT/Trich in 3rd trimester   |
| Growth US in 3 <sup>rd</sup> trimester  |
| Counsel patient on recovery treatment services  |
| <ul> <li>Did patient receive recovery treatment services during their pregnancy or during admission<br/>to L&amp;D for delivery? If yes, explain what type. {Yes - Comment/No:33359}</li> </ul>   |
| Offer the following services:   |
| <ul> <li>Hard Beauty - Peer navigator services</li> </ul>   |
| Behavioral health   |
| Social work   |
| <ul> <li>Harm Reduction Action Center (8<sup>th</sup> and Broadway)</li> </ul>  |
| <ul> <li>Women &amp; Family Services (WFS) through OBHS</li> </ul>  |
| Discuss overdose education and give naloxone prenatally   |
| Discuss Feeding/BCM   |
| Discuss 5 Day NOWS monitoring stay  |
| Discuss urine toxicology and mandated reporting   |
| Postpartum:  Social work consult offered PP visit scheduled prior to discharge (within 2-3 days of discharge, 2 weeks and 6 weeks) If the patient did not receive recovery services during pregnancy, were they referred to substance use care services prior to discharge after delivery? {Yes - Comment/No:33359} Naloxone delivered to room prior to discharge |
| For patients with opioid use disorder:  |
| Counsel patient on medication for opioid use disorder (MOUD)  |
| <ul> <li>Did patient decide to start MOUD during pregnancy? Include at what gestational age the<br/>medication was started {Yes - Comment/No:33359}</li> </ul>  |
| <ul> <li>If patient initiated on MOUD during inpatient admission, addiction social work should be<br/>consulted to help arrange follow-up.</li> </ul>   |
| ☐ Follow-up MOUD appointment prior to discharge (at a minimum 2-3d for continuation of  |
| buprenorphine, 24h for continuation of methadone)   |
| For patients on buprenorphine, ensure that patient has enough medication from discharge to follow-  |
| up appointments (all providers can prescribe this)  |

#### **Standardization of Clinical Practice**

- Plan of safe care are ideally started in the antenatal period
- How?
  - Substance treatment counselors
  - HardBeauty

| Plan of Safe Care - Prenatal Consultation Plan of Safe Care initiated on: Last updated on:  |
|---|
| Substance Use History  Prior to Pregnancy: Substances Used   • For each substance, document type, route, amount, frequency, age at first use, date of last use  During Pregnancy: Substances Used   • For each substance, document type, route, amount, frequency, age at first use, date of last use |
| Current Substance Use Disorder Treatment  Current SUD Treatment   For each treatment, document current dose/frequency and provider/clinic information   |
| Mental Health History  Mental Health History  |
| Current Mental Health Treatment  Current Mental Health Treatment   For each treatment, document current dose/frequency and provider/clinic information  |
| Social Factors/Stressors  Complicating Social Factors   For each stressor, document past or current and whether patient has been connected to resources   |
| Household Members Document relationship, age and if safe/sober  •   |
| Support Persons  Document name, relationship, if it would be okay to contact in emergency and contact information [include if there   |
| Postnatal Follow-up Providers Postpartum care provider: Infant care provider:   |
| Patient's Strengths/Goals:  1. 2. 3.  |
| Are there any cultural or spiritual practices that they would like to incorporate into their care?  |
| Does the family have the following items?:  Crib/bassinet/safe sleep space Car seat Diapers Formula (if necessary) Bottles Clothing   |

#### **Standardization of Clinical Practice**

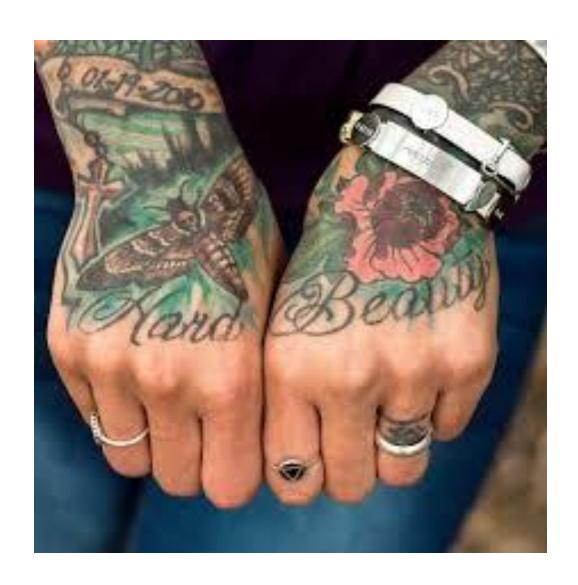
# New and revised policies since February 2023:

- Substance Use Disorder in Pregnancy
- Indications for Toxicology Testing in
   Pregnancy and the Postpartum period
- Breastfeeding Guidelines in Substance
   Exposed Newborns
- Indications for Toxicology Testing of Newborns in the Nursey



#### **Increased Access to Treatment**

- Emphasis on anticipatory
   guidance for topics including:
  - DHS/CPS reporting guidelines
  - Urine toxicology guidelines
  - NOWS admission → Including new
     option for telehealth appointment with
     pediatrician to discuss what hospital
     stay may look like and how they can best
     help their baby
- Linkage with peer coaches
   through Operation Care/Hard
   Beauty (over 70% of patients)







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