

**The Role of Peer Support  
Specialists and Factors in  
Treating Opioid Use  
Disorder in the  
Emergency Department**

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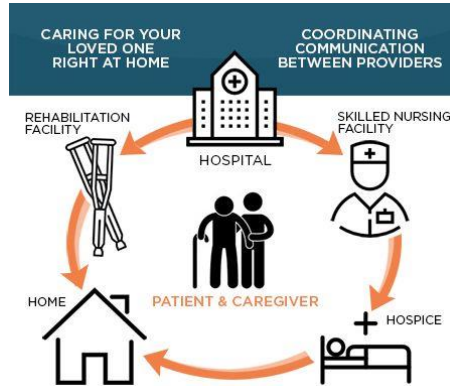
# Project Overview

To understand factors that facilitate and create barriers to caring for patients with opioid use disorder (OUD).



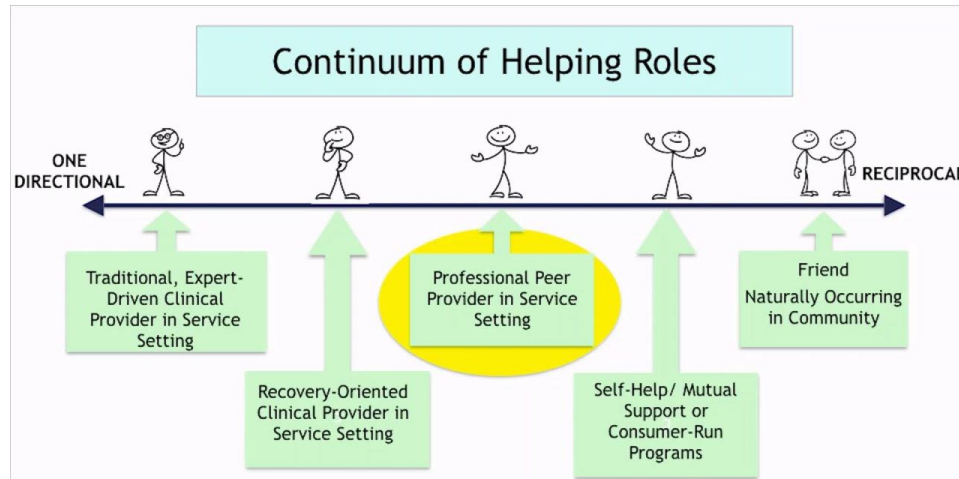
# Significance

1. Better understand transitions in care
2. State's healthcare infrastructure
3. Peer support specialists



# Aims

Determine the impact and efficacy of a peer support system and medication treatment



# Methods

CFIR (consolidated framework for implementation research) model as the backbone

- The CFIR provides a menu of constructs that have been associated with effective implementation.

Semi-structured interviews were conducted between Dr. Austin Kilaru

Recruited from Delaware emergency departments

NVivo qualitative analysis

# Findings

1. MAT in the ED as important step
2. Prescription limits
3. State Intervention



# My Role & Lessons Learned

1. NVivo coding & analysis
2. Learn more about MAT in the ED
3. Transitions of care
4. Ear on the ground

# Next Steps: Research to Policy

1. Continued analysis after complete data collection
2. Delaware Secretary of Health
3. Possible collaboration and reallocation of state funds



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