



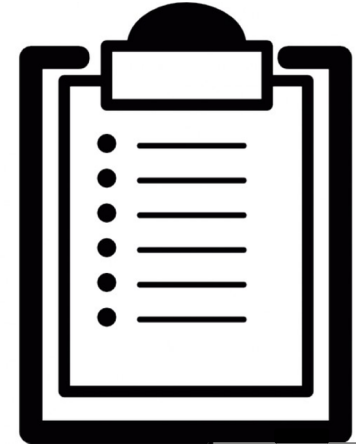
Oregon's Pioneering Approach to Addiction: An Upstream Perspective

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Measure 110

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Oregonians in Crisis & Measure 110

One in 11 Oregonians is struggling with substance use.

1 to 2 people die a day from drug overdose.

About 8,900 Oregonians are arrested every year in cases where simple drug possession is the most serious offense.

Black, Indigenous and people of color are 3 times more likely to be arrested than white people, and are also more likely to receive longer, harsher sentencing, even though they use drugs at about the same rate.

The Oregon Criminal Justice Commission Report

Racial disparities in drug arrests will drop by 95% if Oregon voters pass Measure 110 in November.

Convictions of Black and Indigenous Oregonians would drop by 94%.

This drop in convictions will result in fewer collateral consequences stemming from criminal justice system involvement...

From Criminalization to a Healthcare Approach

In 2017, Oregon took the important step of reducing the criminal penalty for possession from a felony to a misdemeanor. Since then, racial disparities around drug convictions have declined dramatically -- however, disparities in arrest rates remain almost unchanged. It's time for Oregon to take the next step.

Measure 110 would shift state policy away from the war-on-drugs towards a healthcare approach, treating addiction as the health crisis that it is.

With Measure 110, simple drug possession would become a citation, with a \$100 fee that can be waived when someone accesses a health **assessment**.

<https://voteyeson110.org/> and Information on Current Disparities, M110 campaign material

Funding for Services

Oregon is currently last in the nation when it comes to funding for recovery services.

Measure 110 will provide roughly \$100 million in funding for services such as peer recovery support and harm reduction programs. Measure 110 will not raise taxes, but will use the marijuana tax revenues that surpass the \$45 million projected when voters approved M91.

<https://voteyeson110.org/>

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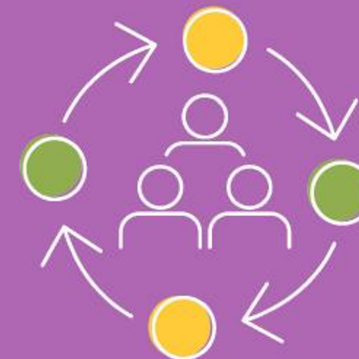
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370,745
Total members



Of those with the highest health complexity:

48% have been in jail

59% history of substance abuse

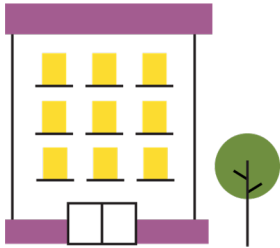
54% have been homeless

Substance Use Disorder



Multiple substance types and co-occurring mental health issues

- 39% of adult members reported experience with problematic substances.
- 28% of those started in childhood.
- 40% of SUD members have a co-occurring mental health diagnosis.



Health care utilization

Members with an SUD diagnosis used emergency room services at rates almost **three times higher** than the general Health Share population in 2019.



Criminal justice

2019 Multnomah County report found that Health Share members with an SUD diagnosis were almost 7 times more likely to be arrested. Among opioid users, having at least one encounter in any SUD level of care **reduced the risk of arrest by 65-70%.**

What's Needed

Investments in behavioral health access, engagement with individuals to build trust and readiness for treatment

We know there is a link between higher health risk, homelessness, encounters with criminal justice and substance abuse.

Partnership between health systems, behavioral health and criminal justice-including the community and patients Improving and increase access, coordination and trust.

Project Nurture: Innovative model of maternity and infant care for pregnant women who struggle with addictions providing comprehensive medical, behavioral health and addiction care.

Increase of primary care being able to prescribe for Medication-Assisted Treatment.

This work aligns with our commitment to “lead with race” and advance health equity.

Investment in behavioral access overall!

Investment and strategies around social determinants!

Collaborate with communities and individuals-don't solve on their behalf

Invest in access to **culturally specific providers** and **non-traditional approaches** like peer support to help build engagement and trust.

Thank you



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Disclosures

- Advisory Council for Vivitrol --Alkermes
- Dinner out with Sublocade--Indivior



Experience

- **22 years Primary Care**
- **Medical Marijuana**
- **Recreational Marijuana**
- **Former CCO Board President**

The background of the central purple square features a faint, circular seal of the U.S. Department of Health & Human Services. The seal contains the text "DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES" around the top and "1798" at the bottom, with a central emblem.

FACING ADDICTION IN AMERICA

*The Surgeon General's Report on
Alcohol, Drugs, and Health*

U.S. Department of Health & Human Services

Alcohol is still KING



60 % Admissions to Serenity Lane Alcohol is Primary

- Leading Cause of death of all substances
- Mostly MVA and Trauma

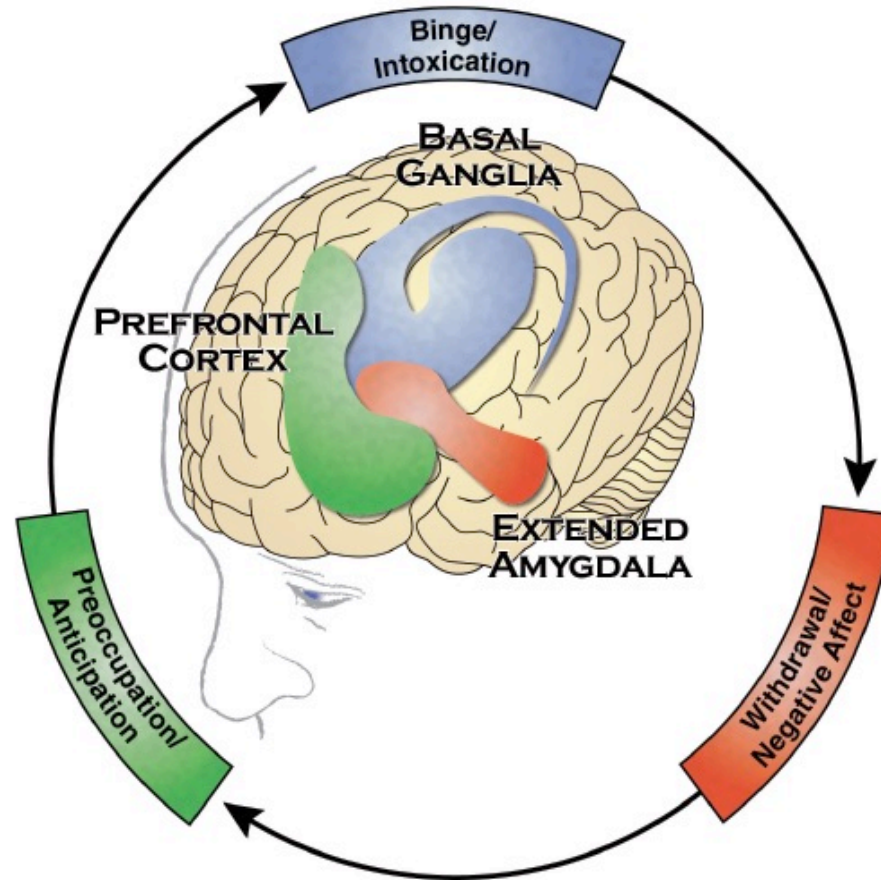
Objectives

- Review Medical Model of Addiction
- Estimate the Impact of Oregon Measure 110
- Predict the Future

ASAM

- **Addiction** is a treatable, chronic medical disease involving complex interactions among brain circuits, genetics, the environment, and an individual's life experiences. People with **addiction** use substances or engage in behaviors that become compulsive and often continue despite harmful consequences.

Figure 2.3: The Three Stages of the Addiction Cycle and the Brain Regions Associated with Them



Barriers

- “why are the barriers to incarceration lower than barriers to entering treatment”
- Measure 110 raises the barriers to incarceration
- Uncertainty around lowering the barriers to treatment

Complex bureaucracy

- Federal Medicaid dollars
- Oregon health plan—Oregon health authority
- Coordinated care organizations-contracting
- Physicians and other healthcare providers
- Pharmacies
- DEA, Oregon Medical Board, PDMP reporting

Measure 110

- Establish 12 Recovery Centers statewide
- Licensed staff- CADAC, Peer Support
- Funding centers for assessments and referrals to treatment

Steps to Treatment - Measure 110

1. Intoxication or withdrawal- Sobering station
2. Transport - EMS, Police, Peer Support
3. ID ??? Who are they??
4. Evaluation- CADDC, licensed mental health, medical- DSM V diagnosis
5. Qualify- level of care?, ASAM criteria
6. Insurance
7. Placement

Placement

- IOP
- Residential
- Special Needs-
 - Youth
 - sex offenders
 - violent
 - mental illness
 - Medical Illness
 - Eating Disorders
 - Transgender/LGBTQ
 - Language

Overriding ALL

- Willingness—fickle
- OARs and Fed regs every step of journey

Unintended Consequences

- Increase in drugs on the street
- Increase access—youth
- Increase Overdoses and deaths
- Increase in ER visits
- Increase in medical costs—HIV, Hep, STI
- ?? Volume in Drug Courts
- ?? Increase access to treatment
- No additional funding to CCOs or Providers of Treatment

Suggestions

- OHA strictly enforce mandates for treatment on CCOs
- Eliminate prior authorization for medication assisted treatment
- Contract with treatment providers at compensation rates that do not require subsidy
- Enhance drug courts
- Treatment while incarcerated

Rhode Island experiment

- Treatment while incarcerated
- Transition to treatment post incarceration
- Significantly lowered overdoses
- Significantly lowered recidivism
- Seattle Is Dying

New Approaches with Medication

- Naltraxone Injection--Vivitrol
- Oral Buprenorphine—ER, rapid inductions, chronic pain
- Injectable long- acting Buprenorphine—ER protocol,

Buprenorphine Injection

- Once month daily dosing
- Well tolerated
- Eliminates Fear of Withdrawal
- Eliminates Retail Pharmacy
- Increased Compliance

Risk: Benefit


- Maintenance MAT reduces overdose deaths
- Possible committing to lifelong treatment
- Abstinence increases risk of overdose death
- Offset that risk with Naltraxone but may live opiate free life

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Ballot Measure 110 Overview:

- Penalty Reduction
 - Impacts on Sentencing
 - Collateral Consequences
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DANIEL R. PRIMUS, UMATILLA COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY

Penalty Reductions

- ▶ Decriminalizes possession of small amounts of controlled substances. Class A Misdemeanor to Class E Violation.
 - ▶ Class A Misdemeanor – up to 364 days jail sentence and/or \$6,250 fine
 - ▶ Class E Violation – no jail, \$100 fine or completion of an assessment
- ▶ Reduces penalty for possession of larger amounts of controlled substances – reduced from Class A, B, or C Felony to Class A Misdemeanor.
- ▶ No enhanced penalties for prior convictions
- ▶ Presumption that prior conviction can't be used against person in professional license application
- ▶ Manufacturing, delivery, and commercial drug offense remain

- convictions
felony

Collateral Consequences

- ▶ Street Level Law Enforcement Response
- ▶ Rural Treatment Opportunities
- ▶ Drug Court



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