

Transforming approaches to SUD – UMB Forum 110717

Interprofessional Panel – Notes on Case Discussion

- AVOID HARM
 - Harm reduction: safe injection sites/educ; naloxone to prevent OD; test kits to ensure drug qual
 - Don't stigmatize: Meet people where they're at (watch language)
- DO GOOD
 - Pre-op assessment to ensure benefits > harms
 - Facilitate access to SUD recovery services
 - Provide PATIENT-CENTERED CARE
- BE FAIR
 - Why is SUD different from other chronic conditions? smoking, high BP, diab...
- BE OUR BEST SELVES
 - Radical love; compassion; identify supportive others; who are change agents?
 - Self-reflect
- Facts? Policy?
 - Promote SUD as a disability precluding unlawful discrimination
 - Improve insurance coverage & HC access
 - Profit makers/privileged few vs. public health advocates influencing policy & law
 - Ways to oppose "fake news" & media/societal bias