

HEALTH CHOICE



Mountain ECHO:
Implementing Tele-mentoring
to Increase Access to
Medication Assisted Treatment

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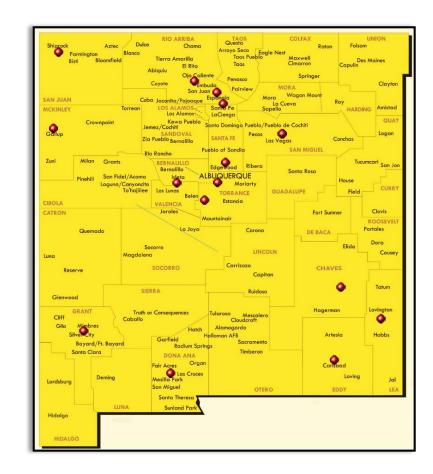
Project ECHO®

Dr. Sanjeev Aurora, a liver disease specialist at the University of New Mexico, launched Project ECHO® (Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes) in 2003.

At the time, limited access to care for Hepatitis C in New Mexico.

Provided tele-mentoring to primary care clinicians throughout New Mexico.

Treatment for hepatitis C is now available across New Mexico.



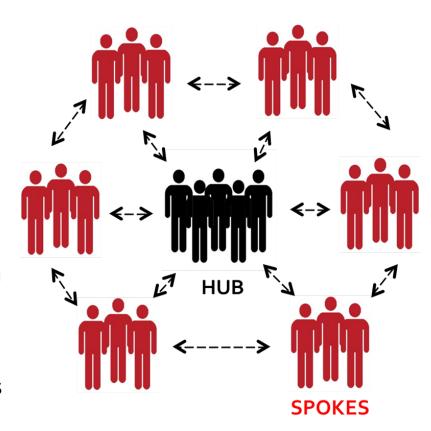


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A 2011 study published in the *New England Journal of Medicine* showed that the quality of hepatitis C care provided by Project ECHO-trained clinicians was equal to that of care provided by university-based specialists.

This sparked a movement for other diseases and a model that could be used worldwide.

Today, Project ECHO operates more than 190 hubs for more than 65 diseases and conditions in 23 countries.





Mountain ECHO: The Idea

- ➤ HCIC Medical Directors and Clinical Team had developed interest in ECHO through attendance of other programs.
- Northern Arizona impacted in the national opioid epidemic.
- Encountering stigma and gaps in service due to lack of knowledge.
- ➤ Other barriers to OUD treatment were lack of providers and providers who were waivered but were not prescribing.
- In August 2017, when HCIC received notification that it was receiving funds as part of the State Targeted Response (STR) to the Opioid Epidemic grant, we decided to use some of these funds to implement an ECHO Hub.



Our Goals

As funding to implement our project was obtained from the STR grant, our primary goal was aligned with that of the grant:

Increase access to Medication Assisted Treatment

In order to increase access to MAT, we planned to:

- Provide education to reduce the stigma associated with OUD and MAT, and
- Support rural health providers working with OUD population through casebased learning.



Planning Phase

September – October 2017

- Started attending other OUD ECHOs
- Recruited hub members
- Completed project planning for ECHO Institute

November 2017

- Four hub members attended ECHO Immersion training at ECHO Institute in Albuquerque
- Assigned responsibilities to each hub member role

December 2017

Established launch date

January – February 2017

- Started mock ECHOs
- Created all forms
- Pre-launch survey
- Marketing
- Managed waitlist





Mountain ECHO Launch

Mountain ECHO launched on March 5th, 2018!

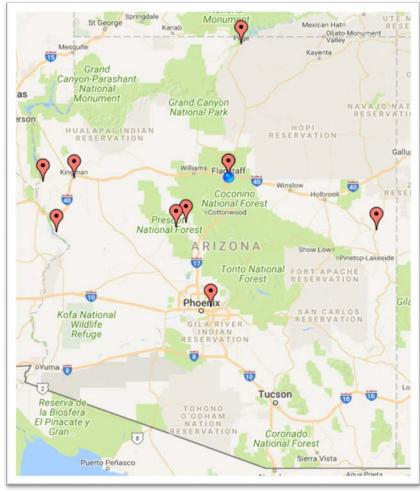
- ➤ 3.5 months after the initial Hub team attended Immersion at the ECHO Institute. Typically, an ECHO hub takes 6-12 months from Immersion to launch.
- > 39 participants on launch day
- ➤ Participants from Primary Care, Drug Courts, Behavioral Health, Pain Management, including Providers, Peer Supports, Administration, Case Managers, Therapists, and more!







Launch Day Reach





What is an ECHO Session Like?

1200	Welcome & Introductions
1210	Reminders about PHI, ECHO etiquette
1212	Brief Lecture
1230	Questions about the lecture
1235	Patient Case Presentation
1240	Hub facilitator summarizes presentation
1243	Clarifying questions about the case
1250	Recommendations/interventions from participants
1257	Hub facilitator summarizes recommendations
1259	Reminders about survey and certificates of participation
1300	Session concludes; hub team remains on Zoom
1300	Debrief; Hub team reviews and comments on the flow and facilitation of the session



Brief Lecture Topics

Session Date	Lecture Topic	Presenter
03/05/2018	Understanding AZ's Opioid Guidelines	Rose Planteen/HCIC
03/19/2018	Screening, Brief Intervention & Referral to Treatment (SBIRT)	John Gould/HCIC
04/02/2018	Medication Assisted Treatment Overview	Sunshine Coffman/HCIC
04/16/2018	Buprenorphine Part 1	Dr. Sara Gibson/LCBHC
05/07/2018	Buprenorphine Part 2	Dr. Sara Gibson/LCBHC
05/19/2018	Trauma and Opioid Use Disorder	Turiya Coll/SPW
06/04/2018	Motivational Interviewing	Lauren Lauder/SBHS
06/18/2018	Peer Support and Opioid Use Disorder	Veronica Welch/HCIC
07/02/2018	Methadone Programs and Outcomes	Michael White/CMS
07/16/2018	Naltrexone	Dr. Sara Gibson/LCBHC
08/06/2018	Methadone	Dr. Aaron Goldman/SBHS
08/20/2018	Medication First	Sunshine Coffman/FSS



Case Presentation

- Demographics
- Medical and Behavioral Health Diagnosis
- Current Medications
- Substance Abuse History
- Stage of Change
- Treatment History
- Recovery Environment
- Current Services
- Barriers to Treatment
- Presenting Question





Written Recommendations

- Presenting Question
- Additional Identified Concerns
- Pharmacological Recommendations
- Clinical Recommendations





Evaluation

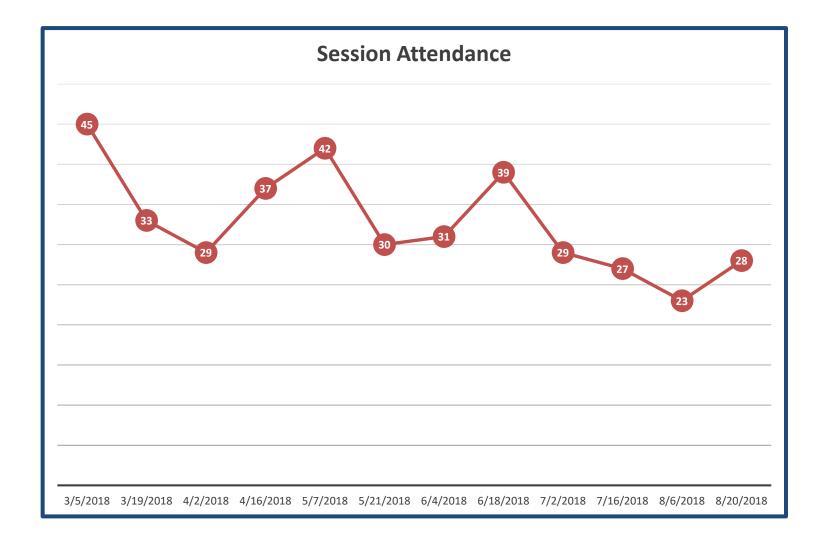


Think about level

Moore's levels of outcomes for medical education

Level	Outcome	Definition
1	Participation	Attendance
2	Satisfaction	Satisfaction
3A	Learning: declarative	Knows (what)
3B	Learning: procedural	Knows how
4	Competence	Shows how
5	Performance	Change in practice Cost
6	Patient health	Change in patient health
7	Community Health	Change in population health

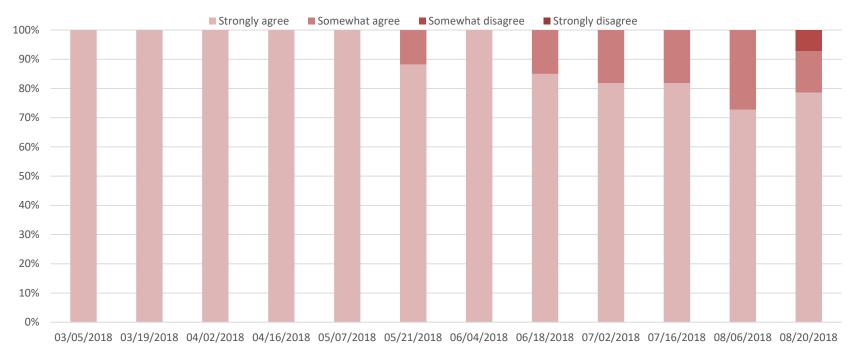






Survey Results

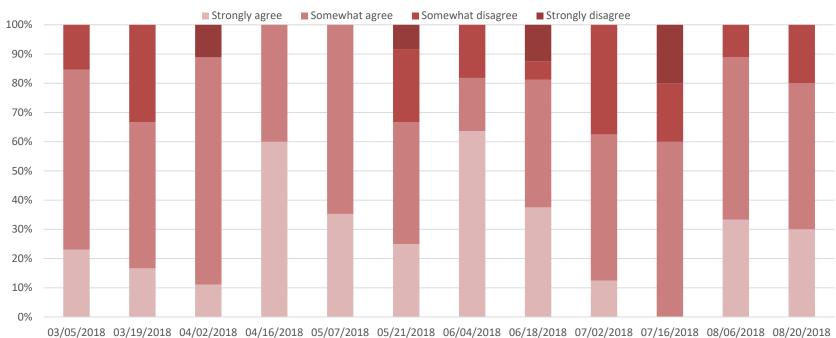
Likely to Attend Again (Q5)

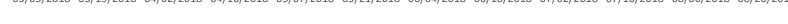




Survey Results

Likely to Change My Practices (Q8)







Future Plans – ECHO 2.0

- Mountain ECHO 1.0 ended on August 20th, 2018, after a 12-session run.
- ECHO 2.0 began on November 5, 2018. It, too, will run for 12-sessions.
- Some curricula will be repeated.
- Case presentations may include updates on those who were presented in ECHO 1.0
- In order to elicit more participation, a new priority ranking will be established for participants.

ECHO 2.0 Priority Ranking:

- 1 CONTINUING & Presented during 1.0
- 2 CONTINUING & Willing to present during 2.0
- 3 NEW & Direct care staff from health homes
- 4 NEW & Health home other staff
- 5 NEW & Community members w/in SHCA area
- 6 All others, including SHCA employees NEW & CONTINUING/Unwilling to present

• ECHO 3.0?!



Meet the Mountain ECHO Hub Team



Sunshine Coffman Former Program Manager



Rose Planteen/SHCA Current Program Manager



Jennifer Pierce/SHCA
Information Technology/Clinic Coordinator



Ryan Kivela/SHCA Research Consultant



Dr. Sara Gibson/LCBHC Medical Consultant



Lauren Lauder/TGC Subject Matter Expert







"It has been a pleasure participating in Mountain ECHO. I am involved in three other Project ECHOs and am even in the process of becoming an ECHO educator in the areas of criminal justice and integration. I am pleased to say that Mountain ECHO is by far the best run ECHO I have seen. I have already noticed a shift for the participants. That is something we continue to struggle with in other ECHOs, and I was losing faith in the ECHO idea.

I would say the last two case studies hit on very important preconceived ideas and old standards of thought when supporting this population. I am seeing little things as a future instructor and participant that I can do differently to encourage and promote self-realization around some of these issues and not force feeding it, which I think your team has down to a science."

Mountain ECHO Participant

April 5, 2018



Thank you!

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