

THE AZ CENTER FOR RURAL HEALTH WEBINAR SERIES

A webinar series focused on providing technical assistance to rural stakeholders to disseminate research findings, policy updates, best-practices and other rural health issues to statewide rural partners and stakeholders throughout the state.

Webinar:

Thursday, May 21, 2020

12:00 pm Arizona Time

SUD/ODD Treatment in Primary Care: The Rural Health Center Experience

Learning objectives:

1. Discuss the role of community health centers (CHCs) in addressing the healthcare needs of Arizona's uninsured and underinsured and the prevalence of SUD/ODD among CHC patients
2. Highlight specific interventions that have been employed in rural CHCs to address the needs of patients with SUD/ODD
3. Understand the challenges and opportunities related to addressing patients with SUD/ODD in a primary care setting



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