#### Spotlight on Health Policy

# Recovery Give 3 P's a Chance

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# Recovery

- > The Problem
- The Solutions
- Recovery (people, place, purpose)

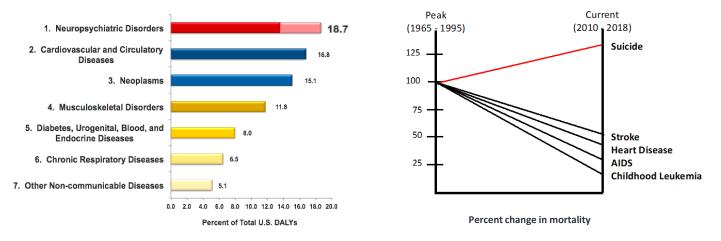
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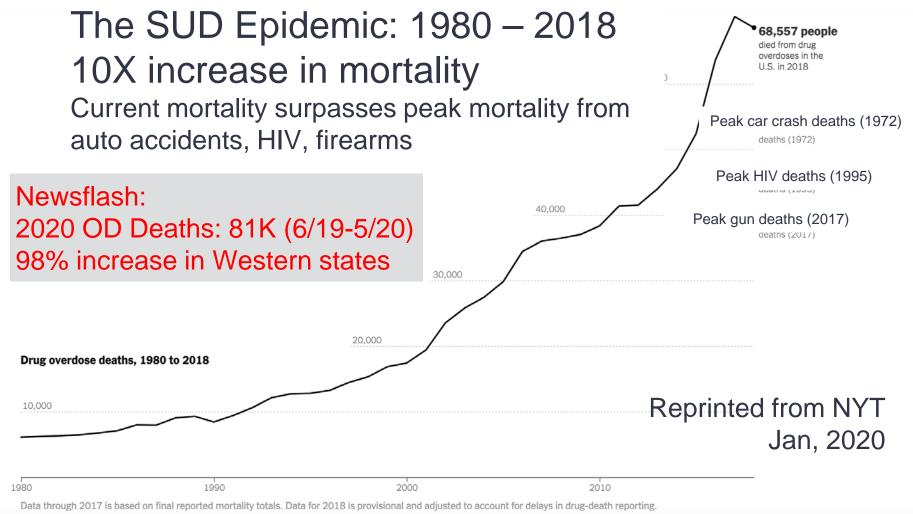
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# The Problem: A Crisis in Behavioral Health

U.S. suicide deaths incr 33% since 1990's; global suicide rates decr 38% since 1994 CDC, 2019; The Economist 11/24/18

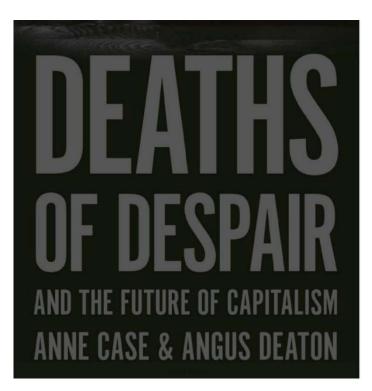
## No reduction in morbidity or mortality





Source: National Center for Health Statistics, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

### **Deaths of Despair – Lowering Life Expectancy in America**



Suicide: 48,000 Drug OD: 70,000 <u>Alcohol: 40,000</u> Total 158,000 (in 2018)

Up from 68,000 (in 1995)

US longevity drops in 2018 for first time since 1918

# Covid-19: A Black Swan Event for Mental Health

- Three fold increase in depression (Ettman et al, JAMA, Sept. 2020)
- Suicidal ideation in 25% of US ages 18- 24 (CDC MMWR, Aug 2020)
- Economic downturn predicts high rates of depression and as many as 20K additional deaths of despair (MMHPI report, 4/10/20)

#### UN Warns of 2<sup>nd</sup> Pandemic

Decades of neglect and underinvestment in addressing people's mental health needs have been exposed by the COVID-19 pandemic, the UN said on Thursday, in a call for ambitious commitments from countries in the way they treat psychological illness, amid a potential global spike in suicides and drug abuse.

# Why do we have this crisis in care? It's a care crisis.

Lack of Engagement 60% not receiving care

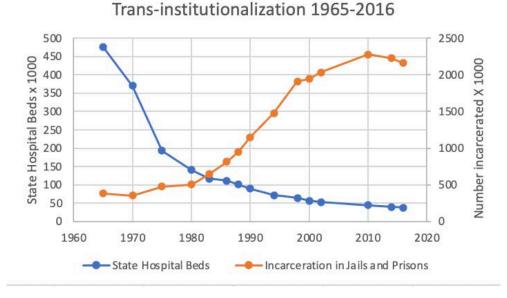
# Fragmented, episodic, reactive

Lack of Accountability

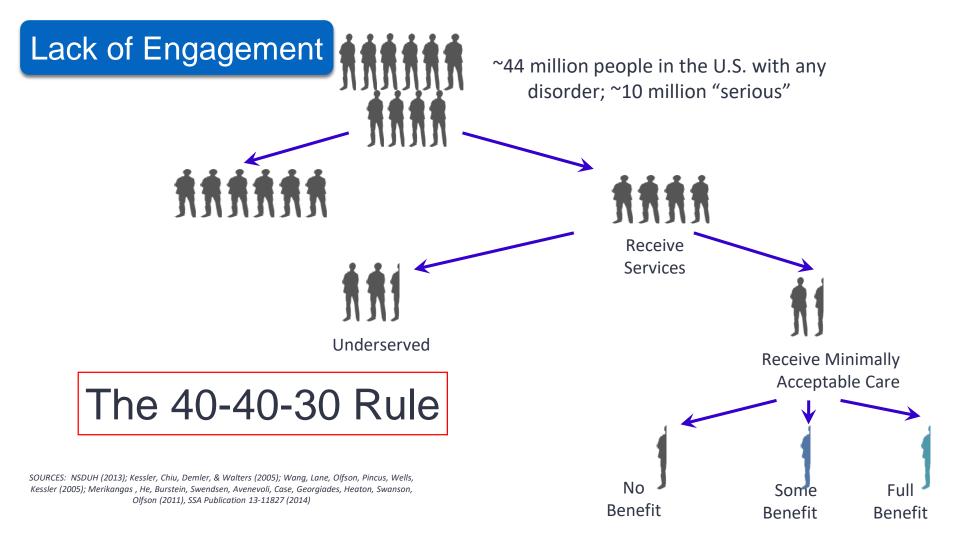
### We don't measure outcomes

## Why do we have this crisis in care? It's a care crisis.

# No Room at the Inn 170K hospitalized 356K incarcerated 135K homeless



Data from TAC and BJS





Fragmentation: SMI vs Mild-Moderate, MH vs SUD, BH vs Primary Care

- > **Delay**: 77 week duration of untreated psychosis
- > Care: Built for payers and providers, not patients and families

> **Reactive**: Crisis driven care that is episodic and expensive

# Quality – The Mental Health Workforce

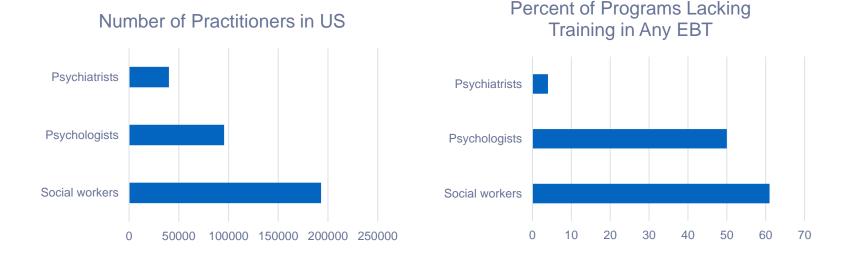
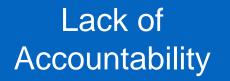


Figure 4.1 (A) The number of practitioners for social work, psychology, and psychiatry in the US. In (B) the percentage of programs for these practitioners lacking training in psychotherapies considered evidence-based treatments (EBT). (Data adapted from Weissman et al, Arch Gen Psych 2006)



### MEASURING MOOD, COGNITION, AND BEHAVIOR

### WHAT WE DO TODAY

- Subjective
- Episodic
- Clinic-based
- High Burden

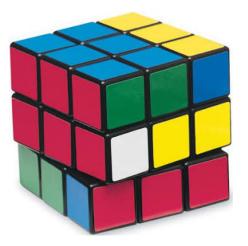
### WHAT WE NEED

- Objective
- Continuous
- Ecological
- Passive



> What are the key outcomes we are all measuring?

- > Who is responsible for reducing suicide? Ensuring recovery?
- > How do we pay for value rather than volume?



# Will Digital Tools Disrupt Healthcare?

#### Services - Digital Age

Consumer-focused

Virtual

On demand

Transparent

Information rich

Proactive

#### Healthcare - 2020

Provider-focused

Brick and mortar

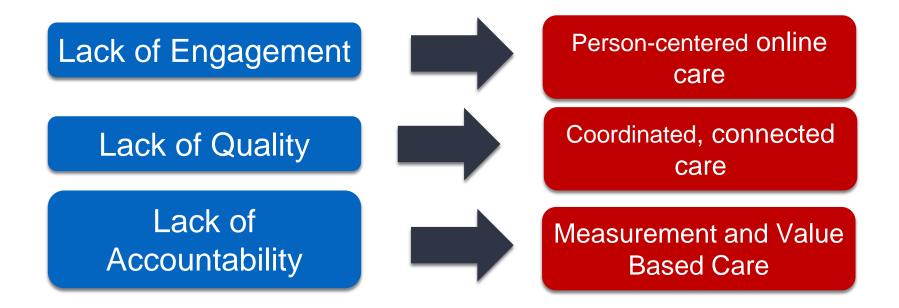
Delayed

Opaque

Information poor

Reactive

# **Problems**



# Minute Clinic Meets Peloton

Mental Health Consults -- on demand, online intervention at time of need

✓ In the moment evidence-based care

Engagement

- ✓ Empowering, strengths-based, solution-focused
- ✓ Behavior change goals set and sustained through commu



# Community -- 24/7, subscription-based, scaled workforce, goal-driven





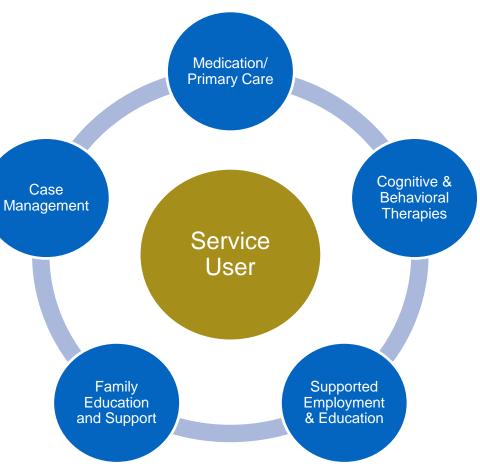
### Quality

# **Coordinated Specialty Care**

RAISE (CSC) After 2 years, Coordinated Specialty Care was superior to usual community care on:

- o Engagement in treatment
- o Quality of life
- o Symptomatic improvement
- o Involvement in work or school
- o Cost-effectiveness

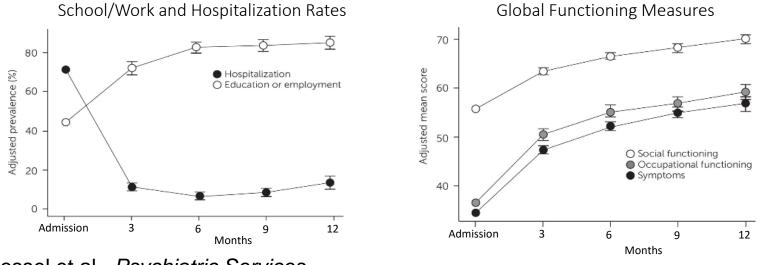
CSC worked better for patients with a shorter duration of untreated psychosis Kane et al., Am J Psychiatry, 2016; Rosenheck et al., Schiz Bull, 2016



#### Quality

### **OnTrackNY – Statewide Program for FEP**

- 325 individuals ages 16–30 were followed for up to one year
- Education and employment rates increased to 80% by six months; hospitalization rates decreased to 10% by three months
- Global functioning measures improved continuously over 1-year



Nossel et al., *Psychiatric Services,* 2018

### Quality

# **Crisis Response**

# **A Coordinated Solution**

- Call center hub
- Mobile crisis response
- Psych ER
- Short-term crisis
   stabilization

Maricopa Co., AZ (pop 4M):

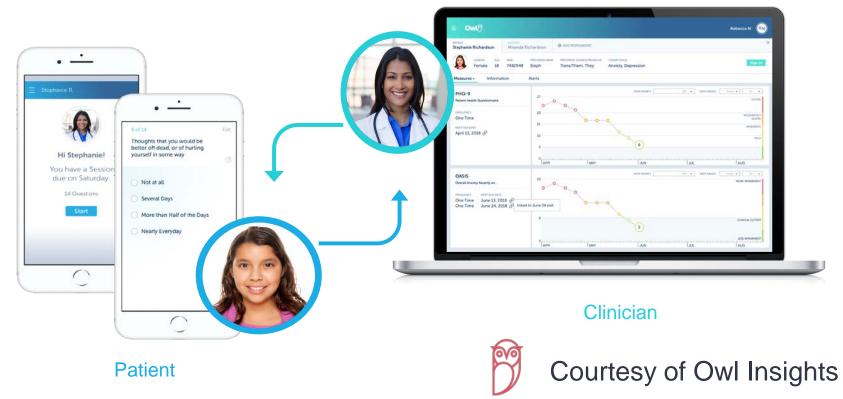
- 37 police officer FTEs
- 45 years of ER boarding (\$37M savings)
- Reduced acute care hosp. (\$260M savings)
- Not quantified reduced incarceration



#### Accountability

#### Coordinated, measurement-based care

#### The Owl: A Measurement Feedback System



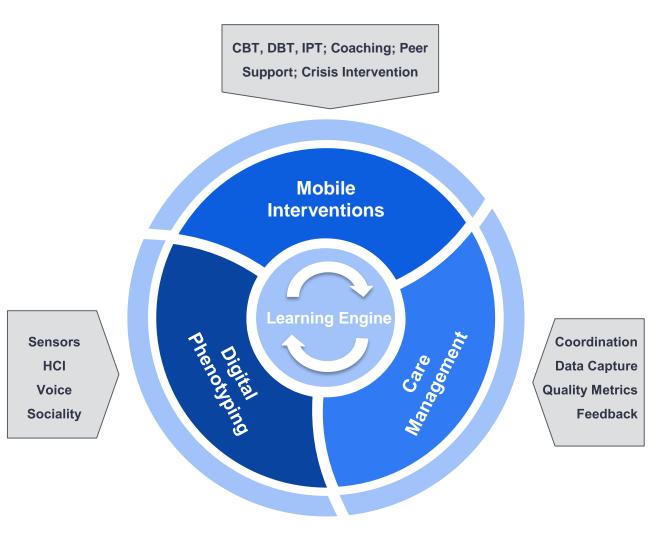
#### Accountability

## Telehealth 1.0

## Telehealth 2.0



### The Digital Health Landscape

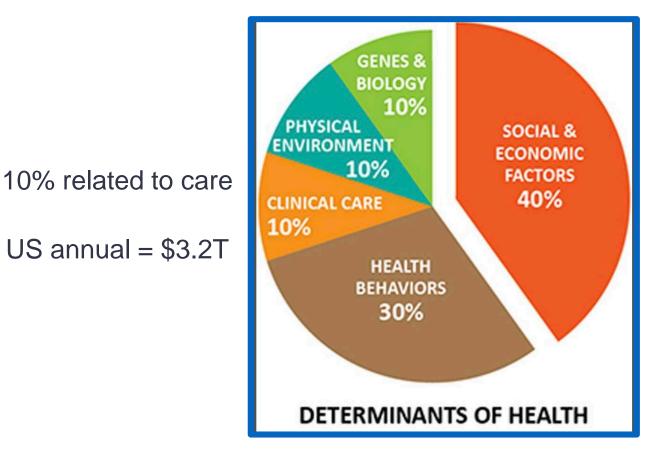




"Every disability conceals a vocation, if only we can find it, which will turn the necessity to glorious gain."

C.S. Lewis, A Severe Mercy

## Health ≠ Healthcare



70% related to social factors and health behaviors

US annual = ?

Source: WHO

# The Road to Recovery



# The 3 P's: People, Place, Purpose

**Covid Pandemic Attacks All of the P's** 

# **Loneliness is a Public Health Crisis**

Vivek H. Murthy, MD

19TH SURGEON GENERAL OF THE UNITED STATES

Together



The Healing Power of Human Connection in a Sometimes Lonely World

# **US Census Data**

- more than a quarter of the US population (27%) lives alone
  over half the U.S. adult population is unmarried
- 1 in 5 have never married
- divorce rate in the US around 40% of first marriages

- Social networks
- Shed movement
- Clubhouses
- Online social support

# Homelessness as a Public Health Problem



- > 25% of homeless (138K) are people with SMI
- ➤ 50% of nation's unsheltered homeless are in CA

- Supportive housing
- Operation Roomkey
- Supporting board and care
- Longer term planning

# **Finding Purpose**

### "He (she) who has a why can live with almost any how."

Nietzsche

- Supportive education and employment
- Peer services
- Advocacy



# The problems can be defined as medical

# The solutions need to be defined as social

# Family – Peers - Friends

#### Clubhouses – NAMI F2F- Supportive Housing – Individual Placement

## Why do we have this crisis in care? It's more than a care crisis.

"America's healthcare system is neither healthy, caring, nor a system" Walter Cronkite

# **Sick-Care System**

Reactive/Episodic Late Stage Symptom-Focused Crisis-Driven

# **Health-Care System**

Proactive/Continuous Early Stage Recovery-Focused Preemptive

# What would a mental health system look like?

Sick-care (crisis services, medical care, psychological care, reimbursement)

Recovery (housing, supported employment, ACT, social support, safety net, continuity and integration of care)

Prevention (education, resilience training, early intervention)

# Summary

- > We face a crisis in mental health and a crisis in mental healthcare
- > We have solutions for engagement, quality, and accountability
- Our goal must be recovery: people, place, and purpose
- > The problems are medical; the solutions are more than medical

# Thank You!



#### **Transforming Behavioral Health**

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