Project Overview

Many people living with HIV have comorbidities (more than one chronic condition) such as depression, PTSD, bipolar disorder, and/or alcohol use disorder (AUD) that are not being treated, which increases the likelihood that they will not be retained in HIV care. Many Ryan White-funded care sites do not have the resources to pharmacologically treat patients with comorbid mental health disorders and/or AUD. Additionally, stigma may contribute to the lack of treatment among patients with comorbidities. This project will partner with Ryan White and community partners to adapt a stigma-reduction training to reduce provider-level stigma; develop a prescribing platform to help providers’ clinical decision-making regarding pharmacotherapy for mental health disorders and/or AUD; and test the feasibility of these tools to improve the integration of psychiatric medication and naltrexone into Ryan White-funded care sites in the Atlanta area.

Timeline

2020-2021
- Formative Activities
- Community Collaboration
- In-depth Interviews
- Focus Group Discussions
- Qualitative Data Analysis

2021-2022
- Intervention Adaption and Development
- Programming Intervention
- Pretesting Intervention
- Refining Interventions

2022-2023
- Pilot Trial
- Implementing Intervention in Practice
- Idiographic Data Collection
- Data analysis and Dissemination

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