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Ann Murphy: Welcome everyone. We're going to get started in just a
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Ann Murphy: Okay, we're going to go ahead and get started. Welcome,
everyone, to today's webinar on understanding opioid use disorder
within the LGBT Q community.
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Ann Murphy: This webinar is sponsored by the northeast and Caribbean
Mental Health Technology Transfer Center or MH TTC
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Ann Murphy: How's that Rutgers School of Health Professions in the
department of psychiatric rehabilitation and counseling professions.
My name's and Murphy and I'm the Director of the HTC northeast and
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Ann Murphy: And I'll be facilitating the webinar today. I also have
with me on the webinar. My colleague, Katia Rivera, who will be in the
chat box and also addressing any other questions or concerns, you
might have as we go through the webinar.
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Ann Murphy: next life.
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Ann Murphy: The HTC is funded by SAMHSA the Substance Abuse and Mental
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Ann Murphy: To deliver evidence based and empirically supported
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Ann Murphy: And then from there you can search for your center and we are the northeast and Caribbean. You can also sign up at the bitly link that you see on your screen to receive notifications of our activities products we develop an upcoming events.

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Ann Murphy: Next slide. Before we begin the webinar. I wanted to quickly review some housekeeping items. Today's webinar is part of a series on effectual in gender diversity, we're coming to the end of our series, we have one more webinar scheduled

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Ann Murphy: On addressing blended family and trauma issues with a fictional and gender minority parents and that will be held on July 28 from 330 to 430 and you can register for that on our website.

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Ann Murphy: Next slide. We also wanted to ask that you complete our very brief survey that you'll receive

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Ann Murphy: Well, you will either be redirected directly from this webinar or receive the link via email, following the webinar.

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Ann Murphy: It's just a handful of questions. It only takes about two minutes to complete. And we value this feedback as we use it to improve our activities.

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Ann Murphy: And inform future activities, the surveys are also important because our funder utilizes them as one mechanism for seeing what we do and how people respond to what we're doing. So we thank you in advance for your feedback.

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Ann Murphy: We did also want to let you know that this webinar is being recorded and will be posted to our website, along with the PowerPoint slides and following the webinar. You'll, you'll receive a link to our website, where the recording and the

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Ann Murphy: PowerPoint slides will reside.

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Ann Murphy: This webinar is interactive. So you have on your screen you have the taskbar that includes a Q AMP a button and the chat.

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Ann Murphy: We encourage you to use the chat function throughout the webinar.

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Ann Murphy: To comment to your fellow participants to the panelists and to the presenter. And if you have questions as we go through the webinar if you type them in the Q AMP. A or in the chat box. I'll collect them and present them to our presenter at the end during the Q AMP a

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Ann Murphy: So now we're going to go ahead and begin

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Ann Murphy: With us today. We have our presenter doctors as a Reno. He's an assistant professor at Rutgers University in the department of psychiatric rehabilitation and counseling professions.

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Ann Murphy: Where he's currently a core faculty member in the master's program in rehabilitation counseling and the doctoral program in psychiatric rehabilitation.

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Ann Murphy: Additionally, Dr. Anthony's as a Reno is the field experience coordinator for the counselor education and supervision program.

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Ann Murphy: Previously doctors as a reno provided instruction for perfect professional education courses for New Jersey's supported housing agencies implementing Community support services.

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Ann Murphy: Doctors as a reno actively presents at local, state, national and international conferences related to affectionate and gender minorities multiculturalism psychiatric rehabilitation methods.

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Ann Murphy: Counseling Services housing supports and supervision practices.

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Ann Murphy: In addition to his work at Rutgers University doctors as a reno continues to conduct clinical work by facilitating group therapy for adolescents and adults at an intensive outpatient program.

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Ann Murphy: Providing outpatient counseling services at his private practice and providing clinical supervision for counselors who needs to provide clinical hours throughout New Jersey. We're very happy to have them here with us and I will turn it over to doctors as your, you know, at this time.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Thank you. And thank you all for being here again today. For those of you who have previously been on these webinars. And again, this is one in a series. I appreciate you coming back.

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Anthony Zazzarino: For those of you who this is your first time. Thank you and welcome. And like I mentioned on our website. And if you look at the YouTube our YouTube channel, you'll probably find some of the previously recorded webinars so

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Anthony Zazzarino: Feel free to go back and take a look and just watch some of the ones that we've done. I've had a really great opportunity really great experience doing these and

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Anthony Zazzarino: Hope that this one is just as interactive and engaging. So thank you all.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So today.

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Anthony Zazzarino: We're going to begin talking about and highlighting, just briefly, the difference between sexual a sexual identity and gender identity and obviously very quickly. Why

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Anthony Zazzarino: Those terms that term is in parentheses. We're going to describe the implications of opioid use disorder within the LGBT q plus population.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And then discuss best practices for working with the LGBT q plus who have opioid use disorder. I am going to preface this typically I do recommend. And if you go back and watch one of the the webinars about language really focusing on a sexual identity and gender identity separate

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Anthony Zazzarino: From since this is a topic that we're talking about both populations together. I am going to be using the the umbrella term of LGBT q plus. However, when we get into it. I'll explain why it really is important to kind of separate them out when you're looking at both groups very distinctively

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Anthony Zazzarino: So today is what June. I don't even know. We're in Corona lands June 30

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Anthony Zazzarino: Today is the end of national pride month 2020 I feel like it is very necessary to just highlight this and and you know, give, give a shout out to national Pride Month this month.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Some of you may know but Pride Month is an entire month dedicated to uplifting LGBT q plus voices. It's a celebration of the culture and the support of LGBT Q Right.

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Anthony Zazzarino: throughout the month of June nationwide. There's

traditionally been parades protest performances live theater and memorials.

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Anthony Zazzarino: That really celebrate the life with members of the community who not only lost their lives to HIV AIDS, but continue to struggle on a daily basis with stigma discrimination and oppression.

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Anthony Zazzarino: It is part political activism part celebration of all LGBT Q community has achieved over the years.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Why do we celebrate in June. Well we celebrate to coincide with the catalyst of the gay liberation movement that was the Stonewall uprising.

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Anthony Zazzarino: In the early morning hours of june 28 1969 police raided a popular gay bar in New York City's West Village called a stone wall in

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Anthony Zazzarino: This is commonplace for the time. But on this particular evening the patrons of the bar fought back. Starting to starting Stonewall Riots which were which went on for days.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Stonewall in with decline of historic landmark by the City of New York in 2015 and later named a national monument by President Barack Obama in 2016

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Anthony Zazzarino: So I think it's really important, especially now as we see June coming to a close to just highlight and bring more awareness to national Pride Month and all that it entails.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So thank you for being here to celebrate the end of Pride month with me.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So I previously talked a little bit about the importance of differentiating the terminology and maybe not using the full umbrella term of LGBT q plus and historically, it's because we often times group.

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Anthony Zazzarino: two very distinct populations into one.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And it's important to recognize that the difference between gender identity and sexual orientation is the difference between who you are and whom you love

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Anthony Zazzarino: So when we're looking at a fictional identity, which is a newer term, which is why I have it parentheses because it's a term that maybe not so many people are more aware of

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Anthony Zazzarino: It's a term that's currently replacing the term of the idea of sexual identity because of the word sexual identity really places too much emphasis and the focus is on sex itself. And we all know that the connection between people is much more than that.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So I will highlight the definition of sexual identity because it is more. It's a newer term, but we're talking about the direction in which one is predisposed to bond, emotionally, physically, sexually psychologically and spiritually with another

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Anthony Zazzarino: Then when we talk about gender identity, we're looking at the internal individual sense of gender. So how you identify yourself some very two distinct and separate concepts.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I'm not going too much into depth at all on the slide. Like I said, and I see

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Anthony Zazzarino: Dr. Murphy has posted a link to the webinars. There

was a full hour long webinar just on language and I really do encourage you if you work with

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Anthony Zazzarino: Any member that identifies as an affectionate money minority or gender minority or gender diverse. I think it's important that we use appropriate and adequate language.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Not saying that we will be perfect all the time. I will probably mess up at some point in this next hour. And if I do, I will correct myself and I think that webinar highlights proper ways and proper terms to use, but also proper ways to kind of make a correction, if you need to.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And same thing here, where we deal we die we dove into language and gender diversity and also on that website you'll see

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Anthony Zazzarino: One whole webinar strictly devoted to a fictional identity and one webinar strictly devoted to gender diversity.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So I don't want to go into much detail. Other to show you this slide and highlight that.

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Anthony Zazzarino: When we're talking about gender, we need to recognize that gender is much more than just male and female right that there is so many different facets to gender and that gender falls on a continuum and I implore you to go look at that resource.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So why is this conversation in this topic, one that we're talking about today, um,

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Anthony Zazzarino: I don't think any of you would be surprised that talking about opioid use is something that's important when we're providing services and support to the people nowadays because of the prevalence of opioid use disorders.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Specifically, members of the LGBT q plus community had been disproportionately affected by substance use disorders.

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Anthony Zazzarino: When I was looking at some research at this sadly the research does not hit the current, current trends in terms of attracting this a little bit better but

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Anthony Zazzarino: In 2015 the National Survey on Drug use and health identified that lesbian, gay, bisexual men and women across all age bracket.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Were significantly more likely to have misused prescription pain relievers. In the last year compared to heterosexual adult

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Anthony Zazzarino: And that's the slide that you're looking at here. It's really important to look at. And this is a little bit of a dated figure from a resource. So you see the terms like sexual minority and sexual majority.

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Anthony Zazzarino: But this is specifically related to lesbian, gay, and bisexual. This has nothing to do with gender, gender identity and you can see that the the darker green bar graph shows how much greater

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Anthony Zazzarino: Then sexual majority counterparts. How much greater substance of misusing prescription drugs that lesbian, gay, bisexual individuals experience.

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Anthony Zazzarino: On top of this, this study also found that lesbian, gay, bisexual individuals almost had three times a greater risk of opioid use disorder compared to heterosexual adult

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Anthony Zazzarino: Although little is known about opioid use among transgender and gender diverse individuals, a few studies that do exist, have found an elevated prevalence of illicit drug use within this population.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I continue to try and track down data specifically on gender diversity and gender, gender identity and substance use and it's really hard to really piecemeal this out.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Specifically because when researchers are still conducting research. We're still using that umbrella term of LGBT Q and NOT LOOKING AT separate groups of affectionate identity and gender diversity. So we'll talk about the need for that later on.

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Anthony Zazzarino: It's important just to make sure that we're all on the same common ground and common language in terms of what we're discussing right

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Anthony Zazzarino: So what are opioids opioids are class of drugs that include the legal drug heroin synthetic opioids, such as fentanyl and Tang relievers available legally by prescription, such as oxycodone, hydrocodone coding morphine and many others.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Really like this picture here, to really give you a sense of different types of opiates and their level of addiction. Right. And some of these. We know of and and some of these we've heard of

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Anthony Zazzarino: But when we're talking about opioid use disorder. This is what we're grounding all of that in

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Anthony Zazzarino: All also when we're talking about opioid use disorder. We just need to make sure that we are speaking the language of the DSM five the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental illnesses. The fifth edition.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Which really breaks out the criteria for opioid use disorder. I'm not asking anybody to remember this verbatim. I'm not asking people who are not licensed clinicians to go out and diagnose people. It's just more for your own awareness about if somebody has an opioid use disorder.

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Anthony Zazzarino: What does that really mean.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And these are some of the criteria that clinicians and practitioners use to diagnose

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Anthony Zazzarino: And you can see, depending on the number of symptoms describes if it's mild, moderate, or severe

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Anthony Zazzarino: If you've been in some of my presentation. This slide is probably familiar to all of you. And it's really important to highlighted here right when we're talking about the minority stress.

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Anthony Zazzarino: The higher the prevalence of substance use disorders including opioid use disorder among the LGBT q plus population can truly be best understood within the framework of minority stress.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So if we think about it, starting at a young age LGBT q plus people live with everyday discrimination, marginalization and victimization based on their affectionate and gender identity statuses.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So the minority stress model really highlights that stigma associated with minority identity.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Confers additional chronic stress which contributes to negative health, health outcomes. And when we look when we are looking at that we're looking at the external stressors.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And the internal stressors, coupled with choosing regular general psychological prophecies and how that can foster additional mental health needs and mental health problems and ultimately physical health problems.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Why it's so important to highlight this today is because we're going to see that sometimes people start taking opioids, just for general physical health problems. And then that could perpetuate into our into an addiction.

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Anthony Zazzarino: minority stress occurs along this continuum right from distill prophecies, known as the inactive stigma, which includes discrimination victimization or harassment.

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Anthony Zazzarino: To proximal processes which is known as felt stigma, which includes expecting rejection concealment or identity and internalized stigma, the internalization of gender related stigma through everyday discrimination experiences perpetuates feelings of minority stress.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And significantly can lead to worsening psychological health

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Anthony Zazzarino: The development of traumatic stress responses can lead to worsening psychological health

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Anthony Zazzarino: And from multiple acts of discrimination can lead to even greater risk. So it's important to really understand how the fear of

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Anthony Zazzarino: Fear of oppression and discrimination can lead to different mental health problems.

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Anthony Zazzarino: External stigma can become internalized right so I start to feel like other people might be looking at me or thinking of me differently. And then I start to feel that myself.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Leading to identity concealment self hate feelings of worthlessness and fear of rejection to escape or to really meet these challenging emotion. Some LGBT q plus people turn to opioids and other substances that provide a sense of euphoria or relief.

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Anthony Zazzarino: These behavioral coping mechanisms can lead to worse mental health and physical health problems such as psychological dependence and addiction, depression and other mental health disorders and HIV, and other sexually and intravenously transmitted infectious diseases.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Miss minority stress theory has been proposed as a way to understand the health disparities to, for example, LGBT q plus youth in particular may turn to opioid use to cope with stigma related stressors. One study of the youth.

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Anthony Zazzarino: That really looked at a sexual minority youth indicated that they are more likely to initiate opioid misuse early in life, compared to sexual majority peers.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Other studies to sound associations between the stress and higher opioid use among young men who have sex with men, and it's typically black men who have sex with men.

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Anthony Zazzarino: A large survey a transgender Americans found that that 35% of those who experienced school related harassment or assault reported using substances to deal with this mistreatment.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So when we look down and we try to look at the the root of why our LGBT q plus individuals experiencing higher rates of substance use specifically opioid use disorder it really does boil down to this concept of minority stress the external stigma, the internal stigma.

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Anthony Zazzarino: In medical settings LGBT q plus people are exposed to opioids at disproportionate rates as well. According to a recent Massachusetts behavioral risk factors surveillance system.

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Anthony Zazzarino: 58% of sexual and gender minority.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I'll correct myself 58% of affectionate and gender minority respondents between 35 and 44 years of age report ever being prescribed an opiate by a medical professional compared with just 35% of their

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Anthony Zazzarino: sexual and gender majority counterparts. So we're looking at about one the 3% increase certain clinical situations place LGBT q plus people at increased risk for opioid exposure and medical settings, a really concrete example of this.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Is related to gender affirmation surgery. Right. So, though we know that not all transgender individuals proceed surgical methods or gender affirmation, the data from the American Society of Plastic surgeon suggests that gender affirmation surgery is on the rise.

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Anthony Zazzarino: As opioid therapy is by far the most common form of post surgical pain management, an opioid dependence is correlated with frequency of opioid exposure. Each of these procedures places transgender patients at increased risk of developing opioid dependence.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So we have to, we're working with people that

identify as transgender and and are thinking about the gender affirmation surgery. It's important to recognize and really plan for these things ahead of time since we already know that this exists and that increasing

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Anthony Zazzarino: Additionally, both transgender people and older people living with HIV have increased prevalence of chronic pain and up to one fifth report taking opioid based pain medication.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Taken together, these clinical situation suggests that certain subpopulations of the LGBT q plus community are at an increased risk of developing opioid use disorder and signal, the need for special care in prescribing opiates.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And sometimes we are the voices and advocates for out of the people that we provide services for and it's important to have these conversations, not only with the people that we support, but with practitioners and with a, with the doctors to also support.

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00:26:04.710 --> 00:26:05.400 Anthony Zazzarino: Our clients.

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Anthony Zazzarino: We also know that substance use is known to mediate the relationship between life stress and sexual risk.

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Anthony Zazzarino: An opioid use in particular has the potential to increase HIV risk be a sexual and injection drug behaviors to, for example,

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Anthony Zazzarino: When we talk about non medical opioid use among men who sleep with men, and I'm very strategic and using that language men who sleep with men.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And I'm not using the term gay men because these are men who might identify as heterosexual and we know that a sexual

identity is something that only the personal could identify as

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Anthony Zazzarino: Some non medical opioid use among men who sleep with men was associated with increased risk of London with sexual intercourse increased number of sexual partners and sharing syringes.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Additionally, we know that opioid use make compromise obtaining and giving sexual consent and these are all factors that we need to be aware of. So we can educate the people that we're providing services to and as well as educate ourselves.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Furthermore, treatment for opioid use disorder has been shown to be associated with reduction in certain high risk sexual and injection drug behaviors.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And increasing condom use bolstering the case for drifting opioid use disorder in the LGBT q plus popular population. So as we continue to address.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Opioid Use we're starting to see and I'm talking with my hands right now. Sorry, that you are not seeing this, but as we begin to support opioid use within the population, we're seeing better results related to decrease in condom less decks decrease in

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00:28:00.360 --> 00:28:01.500 Anthony Zazzarino: HIV risk.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And just fostering greater sense of overall physical and sexual health

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Anthony Zazzarino: So sadly, we know that this population is at a greater risk. Right. We know the reasons why we understand that most of this is related to the minority stress that people are using

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Anthony Zazzarino: How do we support this population. How do we support a sexual and gender diverse people who are struggling with opioid use disorder or just struggling with opioids in general.

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Anthony Zazzarino: One of the best ways and this is also

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Anthony Zazzarino: What's most prevalent for working with

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Anthony Zazzarino: opioid use disorder in

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Anthony Zazzarino: A sexual and gender majority counterparts is the medication assisted therapy plus counseling.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Really supporting people and connecting them with all of these resources.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Sadly, even though we know that this is the best form of treatment given the multiple layers and nature of opioid use in the LGBT q plus population.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And the complex medical needs of this population certain concerns and considerations may arise during the course of opioid use disorder treatment.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And some of these issues that might arise are really important to have these conversations with our clients to kind of help them process these a little bit more. For example, how will treatment effect adherence to hormone therapy for transgender individuals.

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Anthony Zazzarino: How treatment.

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Anthony Zazzarino: That he effect adhering to anti retroviral therapy for sex for a sexual and gender minority people living with HIV.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And to pre exposure prophylactics or PrEP right for those who are at risk acquiring HIV so

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Anthony Zazzarino: Just like we would have conversations and it had these conversations in the past with people who were taking some really strong anti psychotic medications and

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Anthony Zazzarino: We're hoping to get pregnant right having these conversations ahead of time and talking to the doctor, what would this, what would this look like, how could you know how could this course of treatment impact my life. These are the same conversations that we need to be having

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Anthony Zazzarino: Just from a different

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Anthony Zazzarino: Outlook. Right. How can

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Anthony Zazzarino: The medication assisted therapy. How could that impact already what I'm taking, whether that's prep or medication for HIV and sometimes it's really having those conversations more what's more important. Are there other alternatives.

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Anthony Zazzarino: We also look at different ways and different strategies to work with the counseling route. And I think for

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Anthony Zazzarino: Us. It's getting getting this awareness so that when we're maybe working with people and trying to refer them for mental health counseling. What are certain questions that we should be

asking right. Who are we looking for to best support.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Individuals who struggle with opioid use disorder and identify a member of the LGBT q plus community.

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Anthony Zazzarino: We know that already many LGBT q plus individuals are currently under utilized in counseling services.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Right. And some of the factors that research highlights that may lead to the under utilization, or the negative experience that these individuals feel and encounter.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So if we are making a referral. We need to make sure that that referral to a counselor is have a character who is aware, educated and open

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Anthony Zazzarino: And accepting to members of the LGBT q plus community.

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Anthony Zazzarino: We also know that lack of counselor and staff competency leads to people under utilizing services. So how do we inquire what kind of education and what kind of competence.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Counselors have regarding this population. And I will say working in this field, but obtaining my master's degree and it's 60 credit master's program. I learned how to work with members of the LGBT q plus population for one week in my multicultural counseling class.

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Anthony Zazzarino: In my dissertation research I did some interviews and it asks some other counselors will tell me about your training and your education and working with a professional identity.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I factional diverse individuals and sadly throughout all of my interviews I heard a recurring theme of, well, I really didn't get any in grad school, or I got very little.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And sadly, we always hear that I had to seek out these this information and this competence on my own and

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Anthony Zazzarino: This is what everybody here is doing and it would be really important to maybe ask a counselor if you're helping link or refer a client to a counselor to say, hey, what kind of training do you have, what kind of workshops. Have you attended

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Anthony Zazzarino: You know, most social workers and mental health counselors all have to complete continuing education units.

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Anthony Zazzarino: It would be empowering, I think, to educate your clients and say, hey, have this conversation. So we can pick that right fit.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And the other thing, I think, to look for is the affirming environment. I think I talked about affirming environment in

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Anthony Zazzarino: Maybe both of the other webinars that I've done, but

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Anthony Zazzarino: What kind of documentation. What does the documentation look like when you're a new client in accounting program. What's the language saying in the intake form.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Do you your do the counselors have a sign or a picture or even a rainbow flag to recognize that affirming environment. And it really is kind of trying to match down and pare down the best counselor clients fit and use that in conjunction with

the medication assisted therapy.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So here is actually what I'm going to ask you all specifically around this question. Are there anything that you have done.

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Anthony Zazzarino: To try to either yourself be and to demonstrate that you are a an affirming

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Anthony Zazzarino: Accepting counselor practitioner or

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Anthony Zazzarino: What do you look for when you're trying to pair clients up with a counselor.

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Anthony Zazzarino: To make sure that you know that there are affirming so just take a couple seconds and just input it in the chat box, because I think sometimes in

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Anthony Zazzarino: This environment when we start to see different responses from different participants, we might get some other ideas. So what have you done yourself to demonstrate an open accepting

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Anthony Zazzarino: Environment for clients and or what do you encourage people to look for or to ask

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Anthony Zazzarino: When trying to find

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Anthony Zazzarino: Somebody that's warm and accepting and open

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Anthony Zazzarino: And the way you type it in. Thank you. I see a

couple responses is on the bottom. You could just type it in the in the chat box.

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00:35:49.680 --> 00:35:50.340 Anthony Zazzarino: I'll say

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Anthony Zazzarino: I don't know why. Typically in June. I see a lot of rainbow flags everywhere and then July 1 they tend to come down. I don't know. Maybe if I haven't been out as much. But, uh, I just

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Anthony Zazzarino: I haven't seen as many rainbow flag, but I'll tell you, I'll say this. And as somebody who identifies as as a gay man, seeing that rainbow flag, even though some people think it's

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Anthony Zazzarino: Not that important to me, I look at that and I say, okay, there's somebody who at least is aware and is attempting to create a safe space. And I think sometimes that's important.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Pronouns on my badge. Yes.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Pronouns and talking about appropriate language is always really important

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Anthony Zazzarino: Queer imagery flags queer language absolutely language that we use is so important. And as you heard, I had to correct myself already so it's okay if we mess up. It's just about how we correct ourselves and and continue to be more aware of using the right words.

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Anthony Zazzarino: In public schools, maybe a GSA a gay. Straight Alliance.

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Anthony Zazzarino: rainbow color items informational booklets. Okay.

Thank you all.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Yes, I asked this question and you thought to yourself.

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00:37:16.320 --> 00:37:16.950 Anthony Zazzarino: Oh, man.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I don't know what I do.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Use use this time to really think about in here, some suggestions, because I think we know.

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Anthony Zazzarino: That's something substance use and specifically opioid use is, is that a much greater rate with the LGBT q plus populations and trying to figure out ways to get people to start utilizing services and feel more comfortable utilizing services is really important here.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Thank you all. Alright.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So one of the things in that we need to be really mindful of is a more trauma informed approach.

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Anthony Zazzarino: The co occurrence of substance use disorders including opioid use disorders with post traumatic stress disorder is common in the general population.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Having a substance use disorder is associated with increased TREATMENT COSTS decreased treatment adherence and worse physical and mental health outcomes for those with PTSD.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Post Traumatic Stress can occur as a result of an identical traumatic identifiable traumatic incidents.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Such a sexual violence assault other hate crimes, but is also believed to occur after chronic pain insidious minority stress which many LGBT q plus people experienced throughout their lives. So now we're starting to see a combination of all different factors here.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Oh, thank you. Sorry, I'm looking at this. It's not called gay, straight alliances anymore. Thank you so much. Somebody corrected me instead of called gender and sexuality alliances. That's awesome. Thank you for for educating me and educating the group.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I haven't been in many highs in many school lately, so thank you for that update

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Anthony Zazzarino: Those substance use is really quite as a common avoidance strategy for PTSD treatment for substance use disorders and also target trauma and stress is integrated fashion has proven acceptable.

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Anthony Zazzarino: In the community addiction treatment program. So now we're also looking for a counselor that has a more trauma informed approach.

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Anthony Zazzarino: The Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration or stamps. The

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Anthony Zazzarino: Center for trauma informed care offers really great resources and I'll show you some resources at the end of this presentation for organizations.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And best practices for providing trauma informed care for substance use disorder treatment which can broadly be applied to LGBT q plus individuals with opioid use disorder.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I will say there is nothing concrete or specific for this population and the intersection with opioid use however really has some

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Anthony Zazzarino: Has some good generalizations that we can take a look at

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Anthony Zazzarino: And according to sampler a trauma informed service organization realizes and recognizes these five bullet points here, right. So we realize the wide widespread impact of trauma and understand the potential paths for recovery.

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Anthony Zazzarino: We recognize signs and symptoms of trauma and client staff and others involved in the system.

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Anthony Zazzarino: We respond fully by integrating knowledge about trauma into policies, procedures, and practices we seek to actively promote a sense of safety and resist reach romanization

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Anthony Zazzarino: And we allow for trauma sensitive practice for trauma sensitive practice environment. And one of the things I always think about what I talked about trauma informed approach is just the space that we're meeting with people.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And I won't. Maybe now we don't have to worry about this because many of us are saying six feet away, but being more mindful of personal space, right.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Being more mindful of coming from behind a client, you know, being more mindful of maybe tapping

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Anthony Zazzarino: Somebody on their shoulder to say, hey, I'm here. That could be really triggering and it's not necessarily a trauma informed approach. Right. So thinking about how physical space and how we can try to be a little bit more trauma sensitive

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Anthony Zazzarino: Several evidence informed treatments designed to improve per post traumatic stress symptoms are emerging, including models for people living with HIV.

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Anthony Zazzarino: trauma informed approaches to opioid use disorder among LGBT Q people should incorporate all of these things as well as

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Anthony Zazzarino: Education about the connection between trauma and negative behavior or physical health outcomes and all of this, you'll see a share a really good resource related to fans at the end of this

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Anthony Zazzarino: Not going to go through this slide line by line, there is a lot here. It really is just for our own awareness and to keep in mind that we can adapt behavioral health addiction treatments for LGBT q plus individuals.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And it is readable and when you have this, you'll be able to see. So we know that cognitive behavioral therapy has been shown to improve treatment outcomes for people receiving medical system treatments for opioid use disorder.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And we also know that cognitive processing therapy has been shown to be effective in treating trauma based stress disorders.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Research really highlights and believes that these frameworks can truly be applied to the LGBT q plus the population with an opioid use disorder that is mediated by post traumatic stress

symptoms and maybe even more effective.

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Anthony Zazzarino: With certain adaptation. So you can see here on the slide, the basic principles and then maybe how to tell her, and this would be a really good question. Again, to ask, maybe, whoever you're referring or whoever you're supporting you know ask the the the counselor or the

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Anthony Zazzarino: The social worker. What is your knowledge of this, I often find

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Anthony Zazzarino: When I get new intakes they don't ask me a lot of questions and I always tell my new clients.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I'm asking you questions, but at the same time you are interviewing me as a counselor to make sure that I'm a good fit for you.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And when I was working in the community and a housing agency, I would always before I made a referral to a counselor or to any kind of behavioral health

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Anthony Zazzarino: Treatment would sit down and develop a list of questions with my clients and say, Listen, this is what you know, maybe. Here are some questions that you should ask the counselor, so that you can get a better understanding of who that character is for that better fit.

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Anthony Zazzarino: In this situation, we look at the idea of how providers really need to stop to start helping patients, recognizing the adverse impacts of minority stress.

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Anthony Zazzarino: As LGBT q plus people often attribute these effects the personal failures as opposed to external stressors, you start to

see a lot more

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Anthony Zazzarino: Internalization happening here some other strategies for providers really includes facilitating emotional awareness regulation and acceptance.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Empowering assertive communication restructuring harmful minority stress.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And validating the unique strengths of the LGBT q plus population. That was one of the slides. If you look in the sexual identity.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Power plant where you looked at the impact of using a positive psychology approach because that really grounds and harnesses the strength of the people that you work with. And then last but not least, fostering supportive relationships with

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Anthony Zazzarino: LGBT q plus community and allies.

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Anthony Zazzarino: The other thing that we see check on time. Alright, perfect.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Is we're starting to see more and more integration of behavioral health in primary care.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I actually just last semester was supervising some faculty members that were providing supervision of

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Anthony Zazzarino: A multi disciplinary team. They were working within six different primary care settings and it was a team of rehabilitation counselor, a social worker and a nurse and they were

able to provide behavioral health care within this primary care setting as a team and

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Anthony Zazzarino: They were able to meet with some pretty neat clients that would probably otherwise never meet with with a counselor or with a behavioral health care team member. So we're starting to see more and more of this happen, not only in New Jersey, but across the country.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And I think when it comes to opioid use and within the LGBT q plus population is going to be very helpful.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So we see that opioid use disorder and other substance use disorders grandly occur in isolation. Right. And this is definitely true within the LGBT q plus populations.

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Anthony Zazzarino: More commonly, these disorders exists within a complex interplay of other mental health problems poly substance use disorders and CO occurring physical health problems.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Therefore, what an integrated models of behavioral health and primary care services really have emerged as effective comprehensive programs for addressing these health issues.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I'll use my mom for an example, which she always loves when I tell her that I use for her. For example, and and asked for a cut of my paycheck, but she did not get that she struggles with anxiety and

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Anthony Zazzarino: We'll get a prescription for Xanax quite regularly. However, my mom has never saw any kind of mental health care.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Instead, she go straight to her primary care doctor and I often wonder. Her primary care doctor had this integrated

approach would she be more likely

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Anthony Zazzarino: To maybe speak to a mental health counselor or social worker. And what we see is most people go to primary care settings, more often than mental health settings. Because of the stigma that's associated with mental health care so

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Anthony Zazzarino: We really see that this integrated primary care integrating behavioral health with primary care has some positive outcomes and

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Anthony Zazzarino: It would be helpful. I think if we're making connections and referrals.

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Anthony Zazzarino: With our clients, maybe finding a primary care setting that is more of an integrated facility.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So we see these three overall positive outcomes related to integrating these settings. The first one being an improved experience with care. So the patient experience of care within an integrated behavioral health care program may improve by reducing the stigma of substance use disorders.

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Anthony Zazzarino: It also improves an individual's access to behavioral health interventions substance use disorder treatment medical care and has shown

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Anthony Zazzarino: To improve health outcomes, it reduces patient care fragmentation and cultural barriers among medical and behavioral health providers and often offers an opportunity to address opioid use disorder with people currently receiving treatment for other mental and physical health problems.

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Anthony Zazzarino: We also see the positive outcome of improved

population health. So these integrated health settings within primary care.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Increases the uptake of a variety of universal screening programs and intimate partner violence screening. It also allows for a lot of prevention and early intervention efforts. So it can be structured as an outcome driven with a focus on quality and performance measures.

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Anthony Zazzarino: related to population health. It can also serve as a tool for collecting mental and physical health outcomes on a sectional identity and gender identity and medical settings and we know the greater the research and the more data we have.

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Anthony Zazzarino: This is why the defensive. So it's so important. The more reporting, we have on specific numbers for affection and gender diverse individuals, potentially, the greater the funds we have to support these these individuals.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And last but not least, it's just a cost savings.

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Anthony Zazzarino: You know and I hate to say it like that, but we all know that that cost savings look really good for certain providers and this is specifically true within the integrated health facility.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So what's next, we know that the opioid epidemic is devastating communities across the United States.

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Anthony Zazzarino: No, there isn't a lot of information about the specific burden of opioid epidemic on LGBT q plus populations. We know that other substance use disorders are disproportionately prevalent in this population and current data exists that suggests the same is true for opioid use disorders.

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Anthony Zazzarino: minority stress is likely is a likely contributor to this increased burden and also serves as a helpful framework for understanding and addressing the opioid epidemic within this population.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Though medication assisted therapy with you print offering or methadone remain critical to addressing opioid addiction adaptations of behavioral health interventions to the specific needs of this population will also be as important to curb this epidemic.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Still sadly there is much more work to do to better characterize this burden of the epidemic and to implement and evaluate the effectiveness of integrated LGBT q plus focus behavioral health interventions we need to do a lot more research in this area.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Specifically, like I noted earlier, there is very minimal research related to gender identity and gender diversity.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Even though there's little research, overall, there's a little bit more research. When we look at a fictional identity and an opioid use

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Anthony Zazzarino: But very, very little on

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Anthony Zazzarino: Gender identity and opioid use

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Anthony Zazzarino: So the more research. We get done and the more research, we can do

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Anthony Zazzarino: Will serve to find better and more effective LGBT q plus specific considerations.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So before I get to just a couple minutes for questions and answers.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I do. Oh, there is this slide here that you're going to get to please take the survey.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Like we mentioned, we really appreciate your feedback and I will come back to this slide in a second. I promise you.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Here is the information and like copy Rivera had mentioned in the chat. You are going to get a copy of this PowerPoint. So please feel free to check out the website.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Please sign up for the bitly link. I also saw in the chat. There is the link to the YouTube video with some videos. Here is a phone number. There's a Facebook. I mean, there's all you know it's 2020 you can contact us many different ways.

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Anthony Zazzarino: But please, you know, please contact us.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Here are some of the resources that I had mentioned that are really helpful.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So, specifically the integration of behavioral health into primary care if you've never heard of that before I encourage you to just take a quick look at this resource and learn a little bit more about this because

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Anthony Zazzarino: I think we're going to start to see more and more of it across the country.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Such the SAMHSA website for trauma informed care and

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Anthony Zazzarino: Just some additional references here. So, you will get all of that.

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Anthony Zazzarino: So,

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Anthony Zazzarino: With that said, let's see here. We have just a couple minutes.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And Kathy also posted the brief survey in the chat box. So I do encourage you to just click on that link, it really is a quick survey and your feedback is definitely

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Anthony Zazzarino: Definitely, welcome.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Like Dr and Murphy mentioned earlier. This is the fifth training of the six in this series of trainings.

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Anthony Zazzarino: I will probably be taking a look at all the feedback and making some some edits and continuing to provide additional support in the future. So I thank you again for your time today. And with that, if we have any questions, I will open it up. But if not, thank you again and have a good day.

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Ann Murphy: Doctors as we know we've gotten a couple questions and I see we have just a couple minutes left. If anybody has a question, now's the time to type it in the chat box.

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Ann Murphy: One of the questions we received was do you know if there's any data available on opioid use disorder in older adults or

elder population with LGBT

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Ann Murphy: Within the LGBT community.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Whoever asked that question. That is a great question, and I'm going to say no because it's

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Anthony Zazzarino: There's so little research done specifically on opioid use and the LGBT q plus population, I think, to get a better handle of what's really going on. More research has to be conducted

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Anthony Zazzarino: Focusing on subsets of this population, which really interesting is we know that the older adult LGBT q plus population is going to be growing enormously in the next 10 to 15 years. I thought I remember reading something, it was going to grow about three to 5% which is pretty large.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And we know that older adults within

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Anthony Zazzarino: Affectionate engender majority population struggle with opioid use. So I would assume not grounded in any research at this time that older adults who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender

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Anthony Zazzarino: Or gender diverse will seek greater rate of acceptance shoes, um,

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Anthony Zazzarino: Perhaps you just made me think of my next research study, though, so thank you.

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Ann Murphy: Know, have to give credit though I'll have to look back and see. I know let me down below it is that'll be a couple lines.

Thank you know and and so you address this throughout. But I, but we had the question.

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Ann Murphy: Early on, and I wonder if you would just

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Ann Murphy: Maybe in summary, just reiterate why why you think that LGBT q plus community is experiencing opioid use disorder at a higher rate.

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Anthony Zazzarino: You know, it really does go back to

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Anthony Zazzarino: Experiences of discrimination. I'm just going to go back to this slide experiences of discrimination and oppression and I know when I say that I know we. Many people think that we are in 2020 and

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Anthony Zazzarino: Especially many people that I know that you know I'm from New Jersey and you know from the northeast, we think that we live in a very liberal society and that acceptance of the LGBT q plus community is widely spread. Unfortunately, that's not the case.

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Anthony Zazzarino: You know, we still see that I mean just recently, I think, what was it a week ago maybe 10 days ago is that the Supreme Court had to make a ruling that you cannot be fired for your

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Anthony Zazzarino: Affection, or gender identity, like in 2020 there was potential that that was possible. And I think, so you have those feelings of

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Anthony Zazzarino: discrimination and oppression. You also have a lot of people still internalizing

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Anthony Zazzarino: sexual identity and gender, gender minority status is I would have fear of maybe being further discriminated against, or

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Anthony Zazzarino: Like we talked about in one of the last webinar about the coming out process related to religion or different communities are fear of being ostracized from family.

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Anthony Zazzarino: And when we suppress all of these different feelings and we start to

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Anthony Zazzarino: feel ashamed of ourselves. A lot of times that leads to using substances to kind of numb. All of that because I don't want to deal with all of these feelings and thoughts. So I'll just turn to a substance to kind of mask, all of that. I don't have to think about that.

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Anthony Zazzarino: Sadly, I think, you know, that is that is why we see much higher rates.

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Ann Murphy: Thank you so much. Doctors as arena here. Well, we are right at 430 so I want to thank all of our participants for their, their activity here.

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Ann Murphy: And thank you for attending. And for those of you who have already completed the evaluation. We're very

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Ann Murphy: As mentioned, you will receive an email from us with a link to the evaluation in case you haven't already completed it as well as a link to our website, where the recording of this webinar.

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Ann Murphy: Along with doctors as your reno slides will be available. And so thank you very much for your attendance. THANK YOU, DOCTOR SAYS or, you know, for a wonderful presentation and I wish everyone, good health and safety.

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Ann Murphy: And a good rest of the week. So thank you very much and we will hope to see you again soon.

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01:01:05.070 --> 01:01:05.550 Anthony Zazzarino: Thank you.