

# Depression and Integrated Care

## An Emerging Approach to Behavioral Healthcare Delivery

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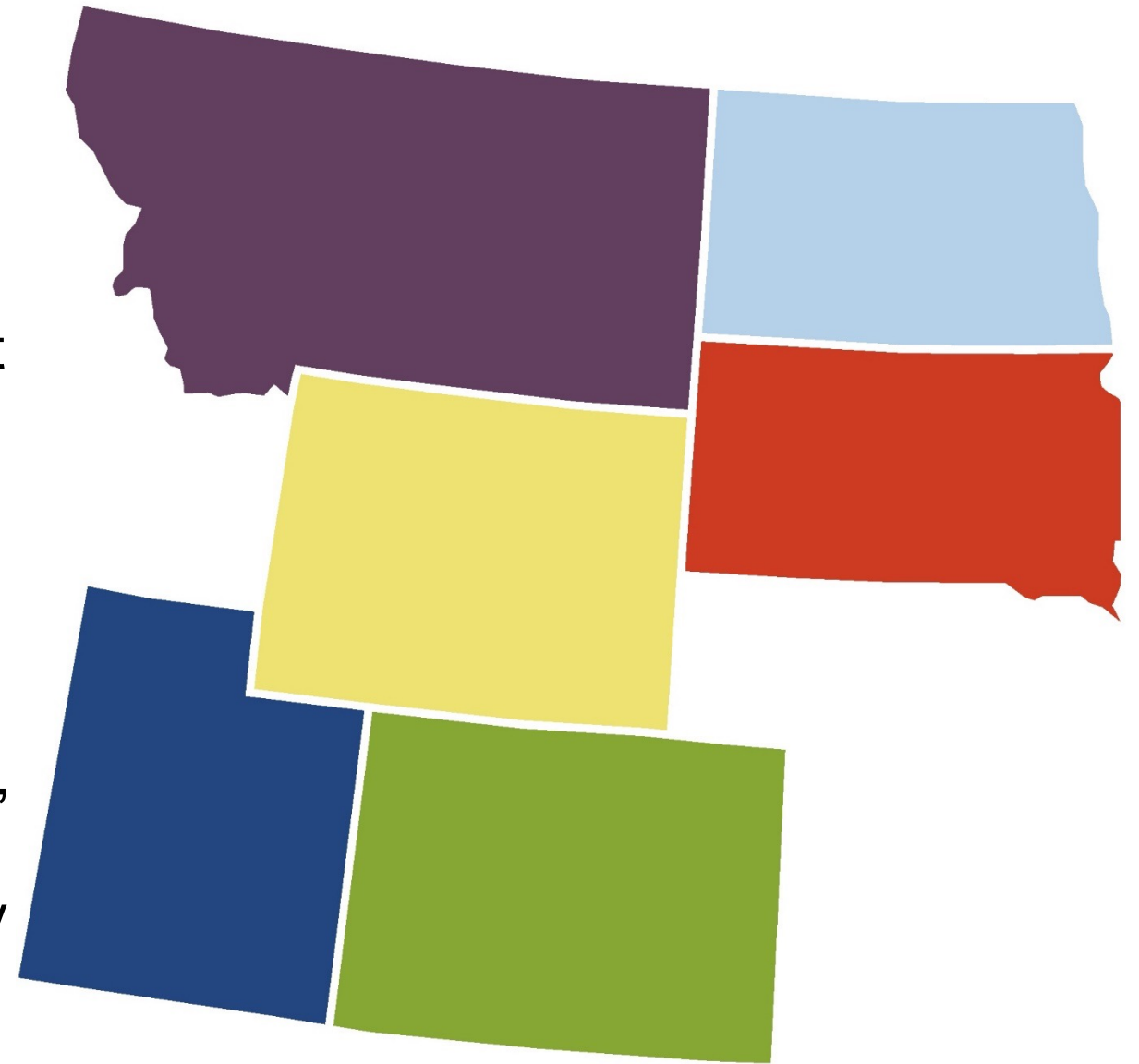
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## *Today's Webinar*

### Depression & Integrated Care:

### An Emerging Approach to Behavioral Healthcare Delivery

Depression is a condition that is experienced by a significant number of individuals. It is a condition that can have implications for personal, social, health, vocational and relational functioning. When left untreated it can result in severe impairments and an increased possibility of suicide.

A key barrier for individuals to receive appropriate care and treatment when dealing with depression is accessing providers who are versed in treating depressive episodes. Further, a fragmented health care delivery system creates further challenges for seeking appropriate care for depression.

Today's webinar will highlight approaches and practices that providers can utilize to support rural populations presenting with depression related conditions.



# Depression Overview

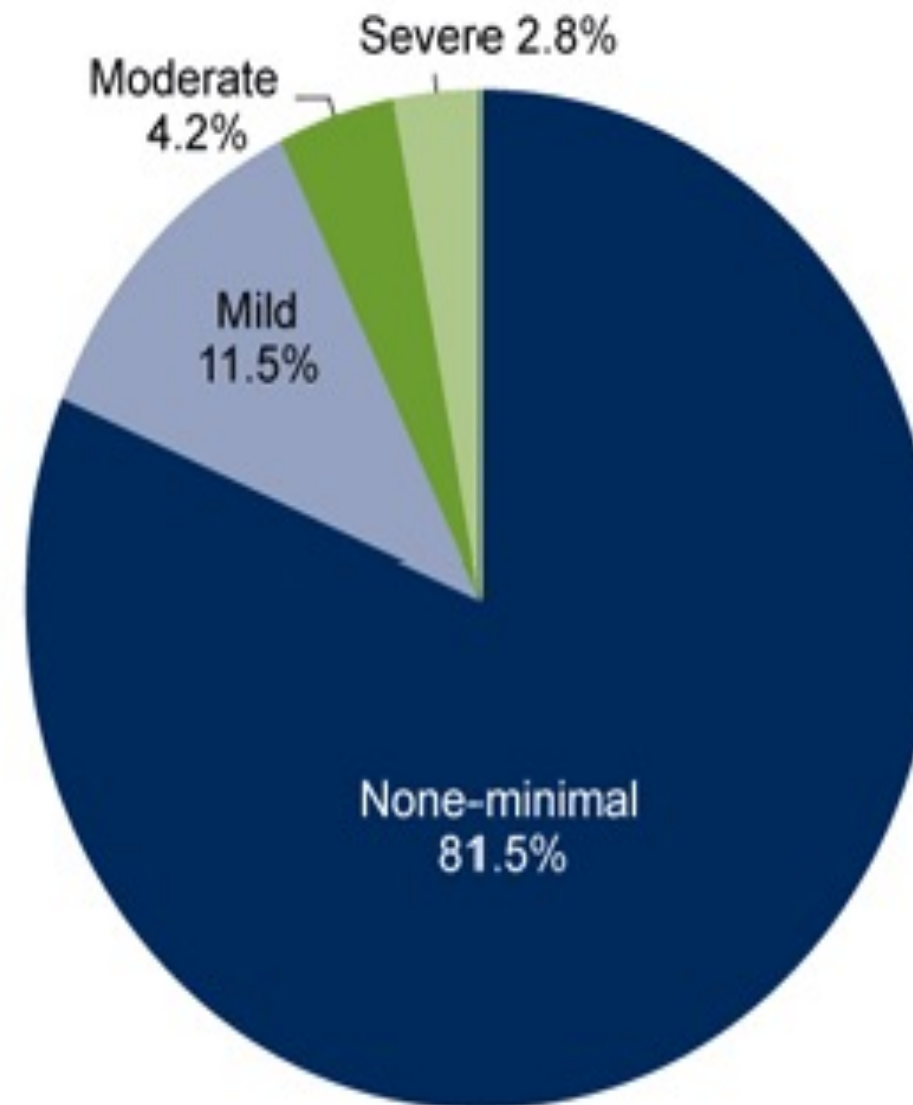


# Preliminary comments

- During 2015 nearly 60 million physician visits had depression as the primary diagnosis (Ambulatory Medical Care Survey, 2015)
- Depression is more common in individuals coping with chronic medical conditions (Clarke & Currie, 2009)
- Primary care providers prescribe 79 percent of antidepressant medications and see 60 percent of people being treated for depression in the United States, and they do that with little support from specialist services. ( Barkil-Oteo, 2013)

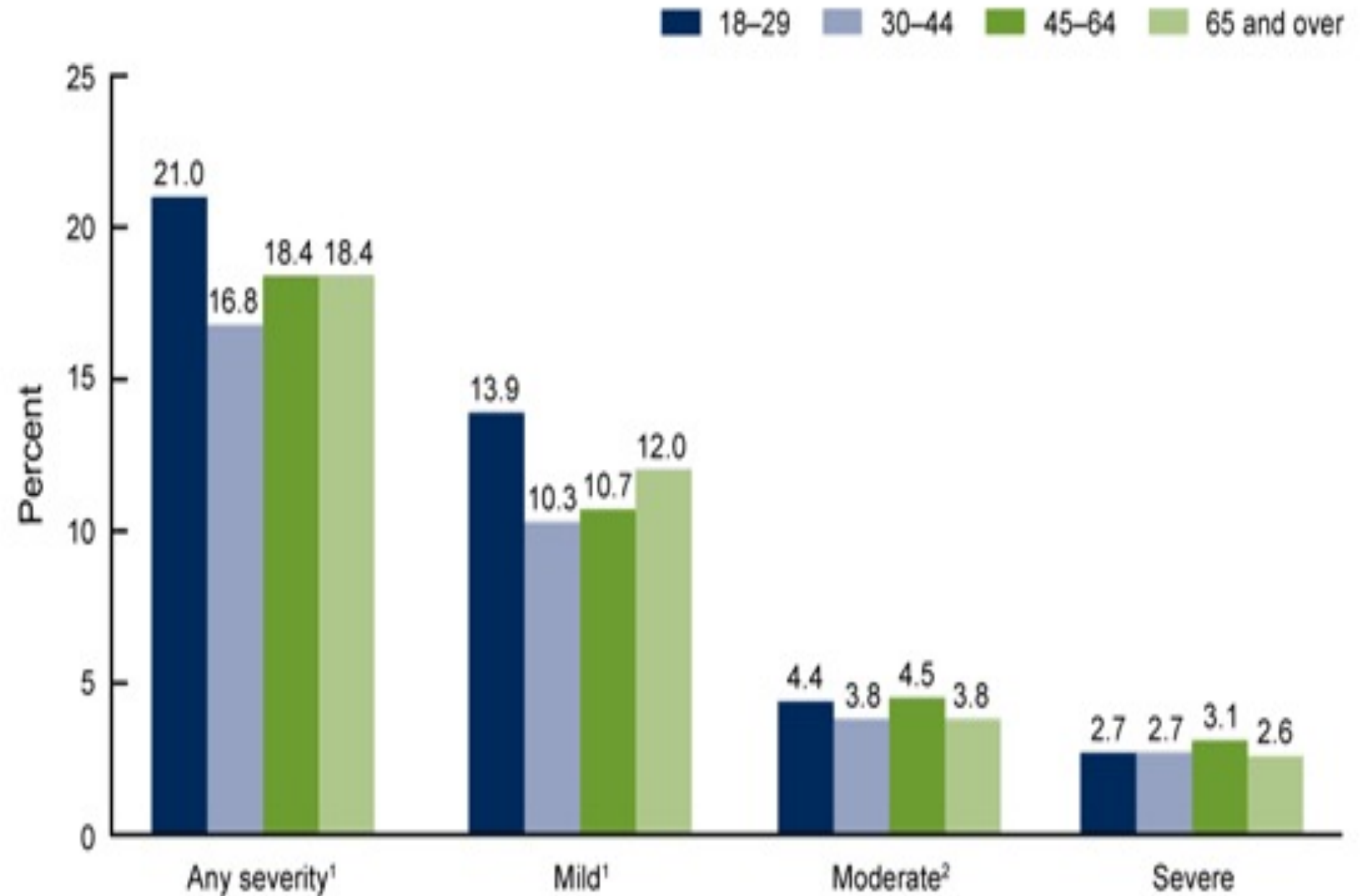
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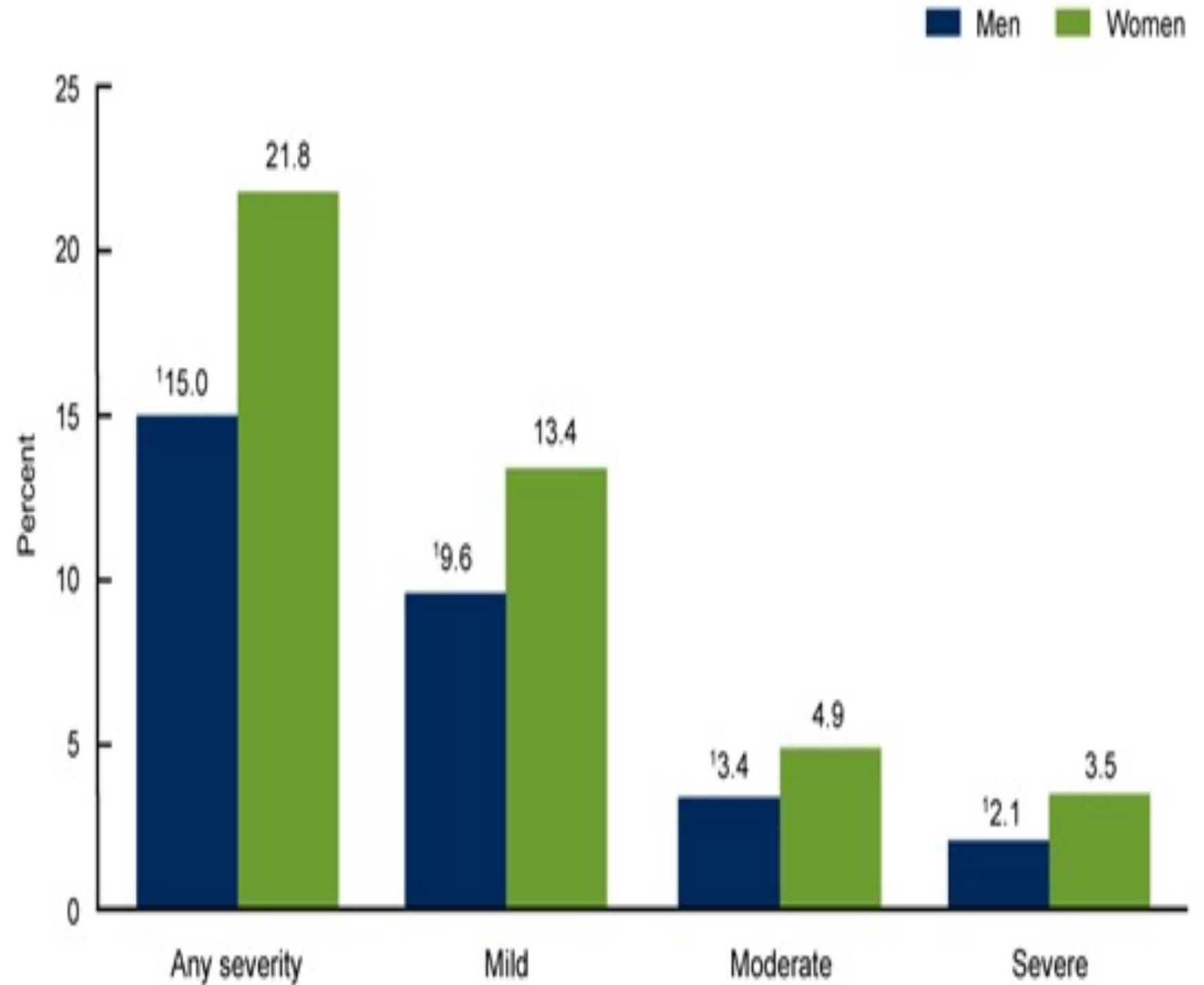


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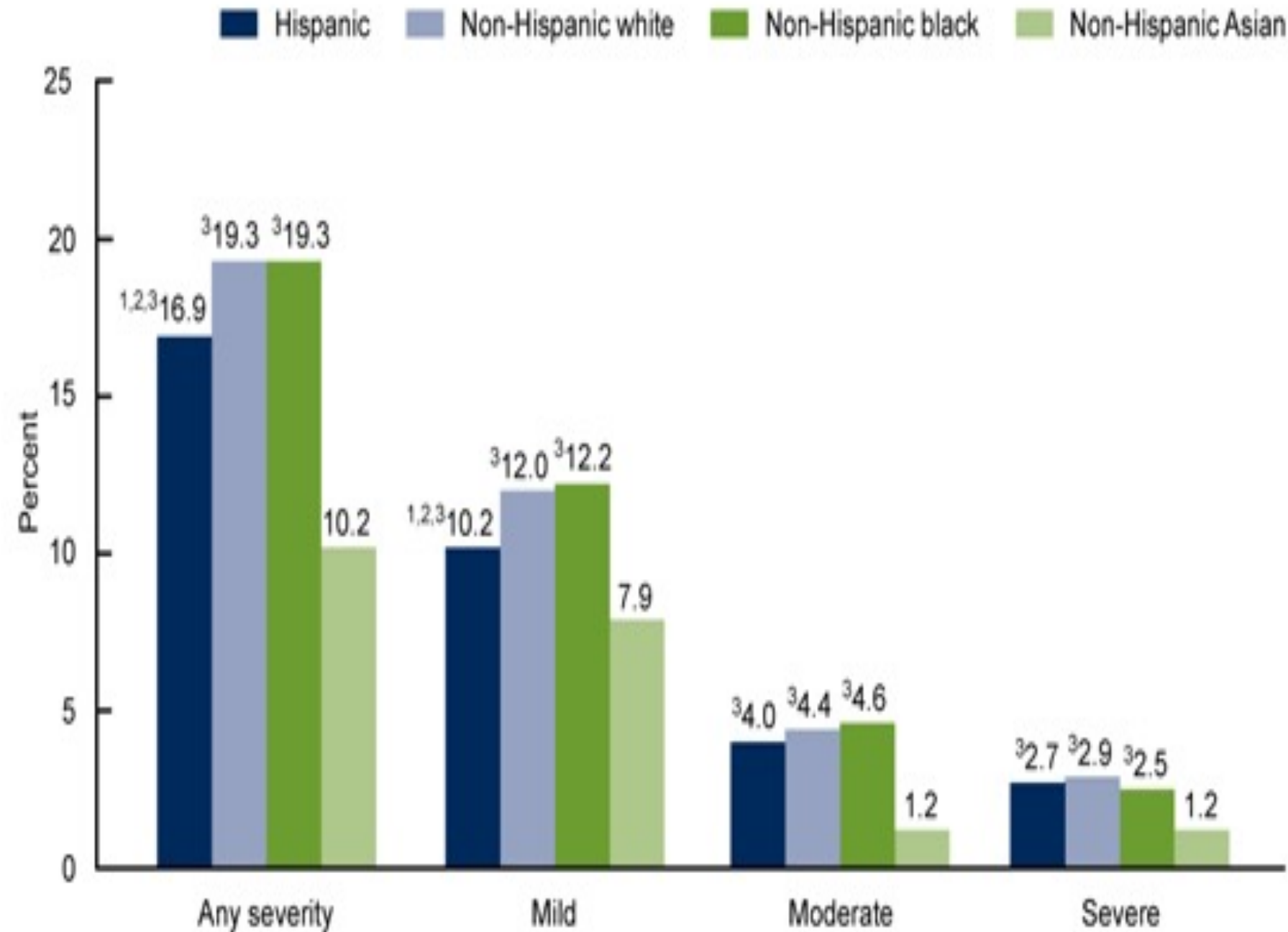
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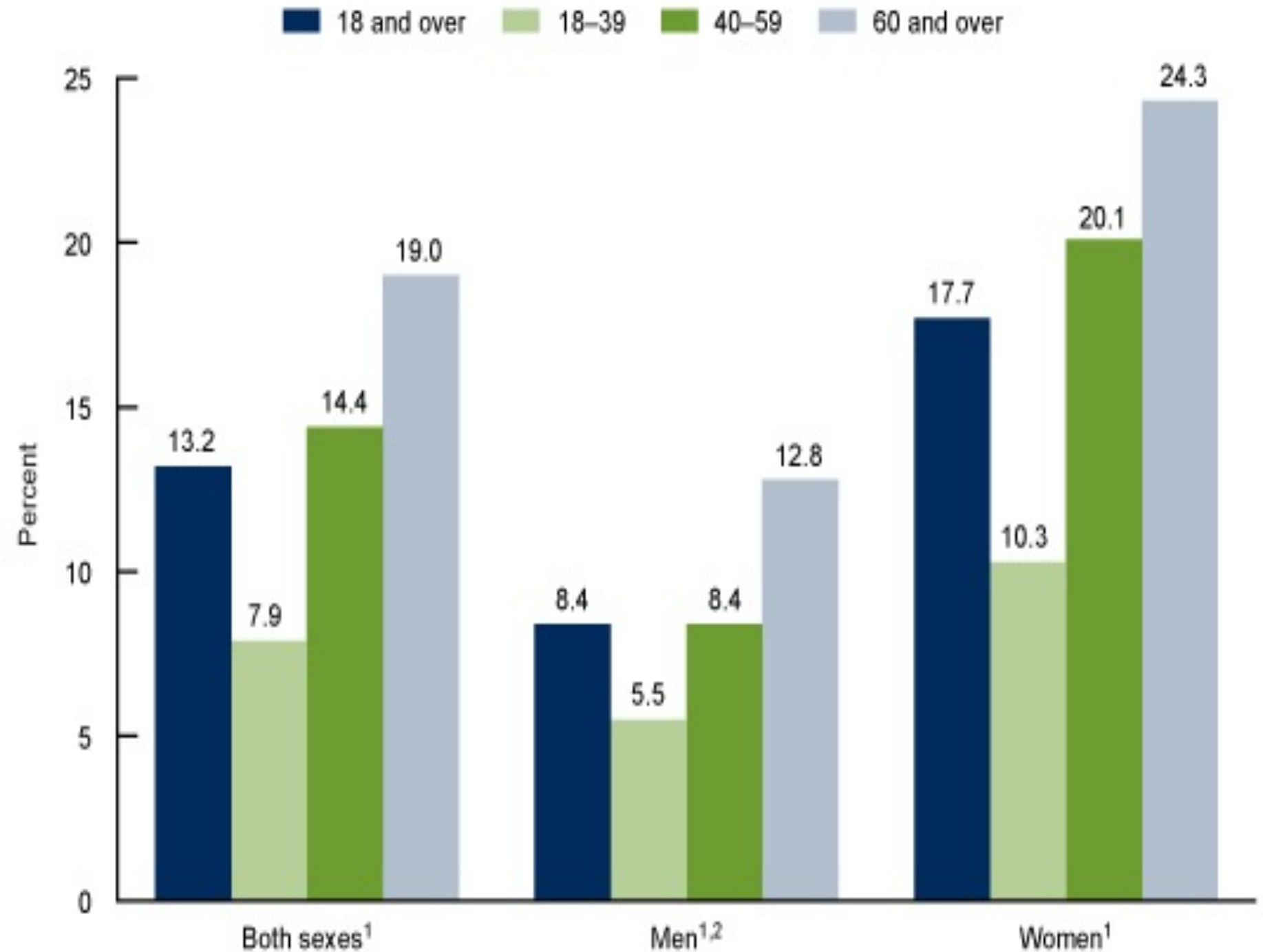
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# Globally...

<https://www.who.int/news-room/fact-sheets/detail/depression>

- An estimated:
  - 3.8% of the global population is affected by depression
  - 5% of adults are affected by depression
  - 5.7% of older adults aged 60 and older are affected by depression

# Depression

**The DSM-5** outlines the following criterion to make a diagnosis of depression. The individual must be experiencing five or more symptoms during the same 2-week period and at least one of the symptoms should be either (1) depressed mood or (2) loss of interest or pleasure.

1. Depressed mood most of the day, nearly every day.
2. Markedly diminished interest or pleasure in all, or almost all, activities most of the day, nearly every day.
3. Significant weight loss when not dieting or weight gain, or decrease or increase in appetite nearly every day.
4. A slowing down of thought and a reduction of physical movement (observable by others, not merely subjective feelings of restlessness or being slowed down).
5. Fatigue or loss of energy nearly every day.
6. Feelings of worthlessness or excessive or inappropriate guilt nearly every day.
7. Diminished ability to think or concentrate, or indecisiveness, nearly every day.
8. Recurrent thoughts of death, [recurrent suicidal ideation](#) without a specific plan, or a suicide attempt or a specific plan for committing suicide.

<https://www.psycom.net/depression-definition-dsm-5-diagnostic-criteria/#dsm-5diagnosticcriteria>



# Socio-developmental Factors

## ***Common Risk Factors***

- Family or personal history of major depression and/or substance abuse
- Recent loss
- Chronic medical illness
- Stressful life events that include loss (death of a loved one, divorce)
- Traumatic events (example: car accident)
- Major life changes (examples: job change, financial difficulties)
- Domestic abuse or violence

<https://www.icsi.org/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Depr.pdf>

## ***Common Protective Factors***

- Friends and supportive significant others
- Hope for the future
- Having goals
- Pets/Connectedness to others
- Good problem-solving skills
- Medical compliance and a sense of the importance of health and wellness
- Strong interpersonal bonds, especially with family and adults
- Family cohesion

<https://theconnectprogram.org/resources/risk-protective-factors/>

# Types of Depression

Major Depressive Disorder

Persistent Depressive Disorder

Bipolar Disorder

Post-Partum Depressive Disorder

Seasonal Affective Disorder

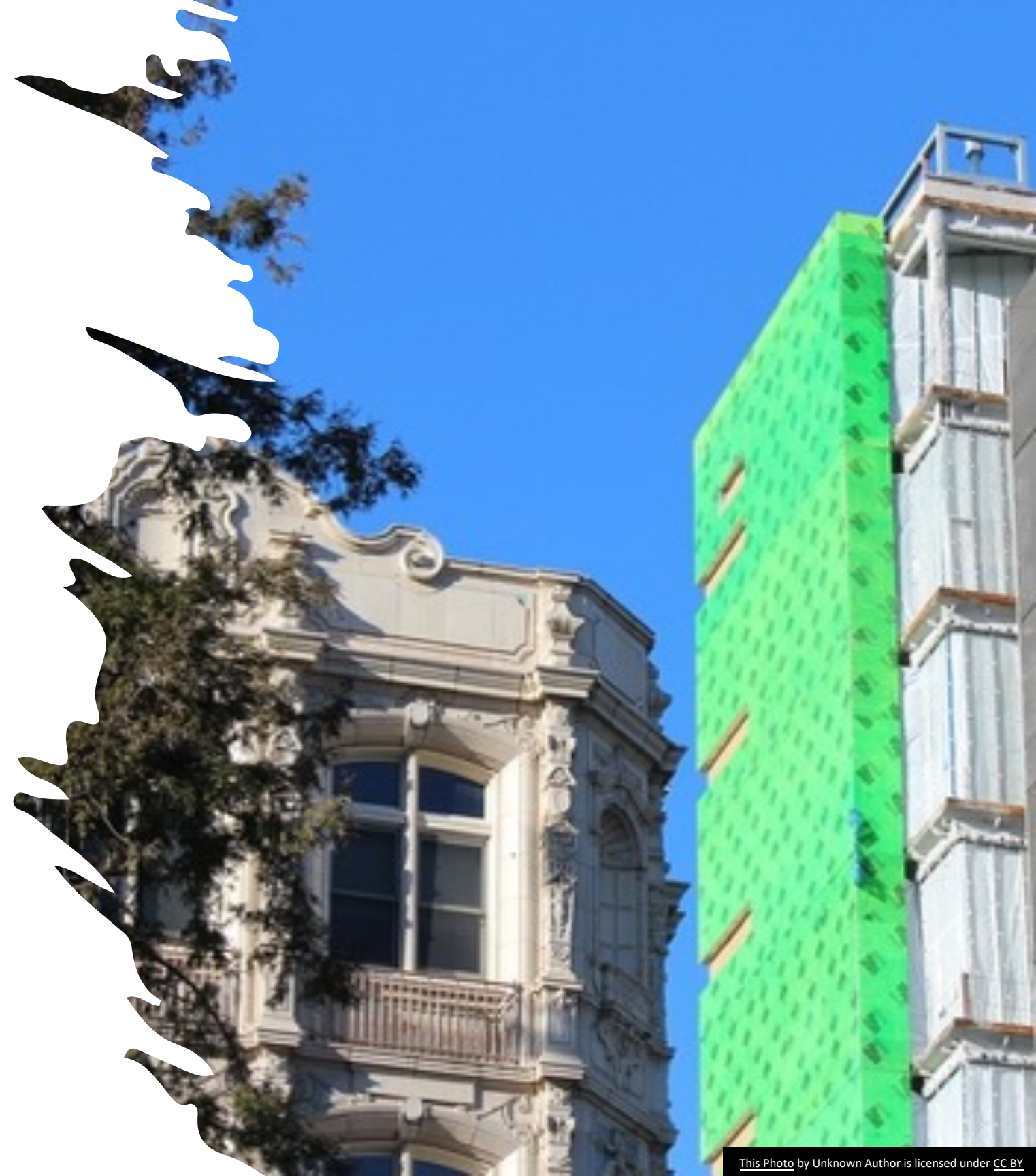
Psychotic Depressive Disorder

Atypical Depressive Disorder



# Integrated Care

An Emerging Approach



# Definition

- Integrated health care, often referred to as interprofessional health care, is an approach characterized by a high degree of collaboration and communication among health professionals. What makes integrated health care unique is the sharing of information among team members related to patient care and the establishment of a comprehensive treatment plan to address the biological, psychological and social needs of the patient.

<https://www.apa.org/health/integrated-health-care>

<https://aims.uw.edu/collaborative-care/implementation-guide>

# Definition Behavioral Health

Integrated behavioral health care blends care in one setting for medical conditions and related behavioral health factors that affect health and well-being.

Integrated behavioral health care, a part of “whole-person care,” is a rapidly emerging shift in the practice of high-quality health care. It is a core function of the “advanced patient-centered medical home.”

<https://integrationacademy.ahrq.gov/about/integrated-behavioral-health>



# Contributing Factors

Increased complexity of clinical care

Fragmentation of healthcare system

Increased community- based healthcare

Research demonstrating relationship between physical and mental health

Increased accountability

Increased involvement between payers and providers



# Integrated (Collaborative Care)

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## *Elements*

- Team-Driven
- Population-Focused
- Measurement-Guided
- Evidence-Based



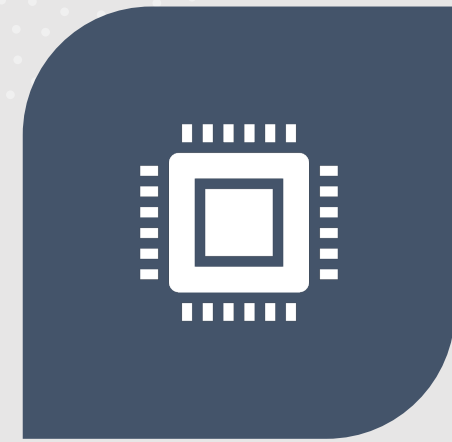


# Care Approaches

[https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/CIHS\\_Framework\\_Final\\_charts.pdf?daf=375ateTbd56](https://www.thenationalcouncil.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/CIHS_Framework_Final_charts.pdf?daf=375ateTbd56)



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# Additional Models

Chronic Care Model  
(Wagner, 1998)

Four Quadrant Model  
(Mauer, 2005)

Collaborative Care Model  
(AIMS, Univ. of Washington)

# Implementation Steps

<https://www.rchsd.org/documents/2020/09/mhi-uw-aims-collaborative-care-implementation-guide.pdf/>



# Integrated Care

## Challenges

- Lack of commitment
- Conflicting interests
- Resource limitations
- Poor coordination processes
- Financial reimbursement

Kozłowska, O., Lumb, A., Tan, G. D., & Rea, R. (2018). Barriers and facilitators to integrating primary and specialist healthcare in the United Kingdom: a narrative literature review. *Future healthcare journal*, 5(1), 64–80. <https://doi.org/10.7861/futurehosp.5-1-64>

## Opportunities

- Increased quality of care
- Whole person care
- More convenient care
- Interprofessional care
- De-stigmatization
- More effective use of healthcare resources

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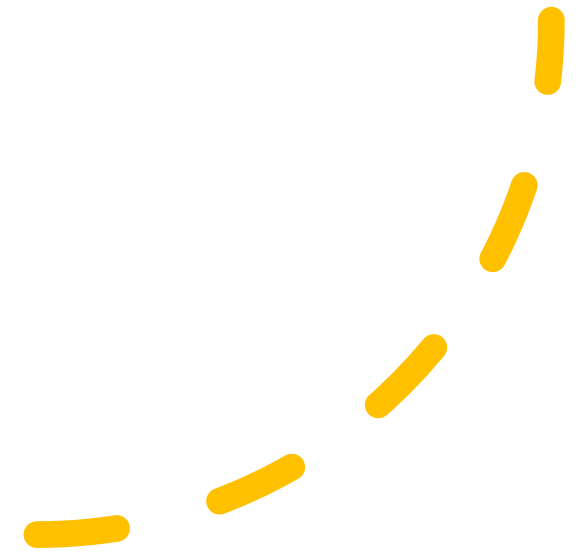


# Treatment Interventions



# Screening Tools

- Patient Health Questionnaire - 9 (PHQ-9)
- Beck Dépression Inventory
- MAST
- CAGE
- CUNDIT-R



# Interventions

Behavioral Activation

Problem Solving Therapy

SBIRT Approach & Framework

Motivational Interviewing

Medication Management

Psychoeducational

Referral

Interpersonal Therapy

# Effectiveness

- Decrease level of depressive symptoms
- Improved health care status
- Increased satisfaction with the care delivery system

# Studies

Clinical Effectiveness of collaborative care for depression in UK primary care: cluster randomized controlled trial

(Richards, et al, 2013)

Treatment of Depression in Integrated Care: Implementation of the Nurse Case Manager

(Adams, 2019)

Collaborative Care for Patients with Depression and Chronic Illness

(Katon, 2010)



# Rural Implications

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# Rural Integrated Care

(Selby-Nelson, et al 2018)

## ***Features of Urban-based Integrated Behavioral Health***

- Model based (fixed)
- Population based
- Appointments are 30 minutes or less
- Clinic patients only
- High severity referred to specialty mental health
- Collaboration primarily within clinic
- 1 BHP to 3-4 PCPs
- Treatment duration typically 1-6 visits
- Focus on health issues, health behavior change and mental health

## ***Features of Rural Community-Focused Integrated Behavioral Health***

- Need based (flexible)
- Population and community based
- Appointments determined by patient need and provider availability
- May accept outside referrals
- High severity may be treated by BHP
- Collaboration within clinic and community
- No standard ratio of BHPs and PCPs
- Treatment duration based on patient need
- Focus on health issues, health behavior change, mental health, advocacy, disaster relief, crisis work and some case management

# Future Directions





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Reconceptualization of Interventions for Depression?

Impact of Pandemic

Impact of Tele-Behavioral Health/Technology

Integration of Substance Use/Addictions

Integration of Social Determinants of Health

# Resources

Society of Clinical Psychology

<https://div12.org/treatment/behavioral-activation-for-depression/>

Advancing Integrated Mental Health Solutions

<https://aims.uw.edu/collaborative-care/implementation-guide>

Rural Health Information Hub

<https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/toolkits/services-integration/2/primary-care-behavioral-health>

WVU Rural Integrated Behavioral Healthcare Training Program

<https://socialwork.wvu.edu/research/rural-integrated-behavioral-health-training-program>

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