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**E.D. REFERRAL AND CONTINUITY
OF CARE:
THE ROLE OF ADDICTION
MEDICINE**

IDENTIFY ED AND COMMUNITY RESOURCES

- CARE MANAGER/LMSW TO FACILITATE REFERRALS
- ESTABLISH AGREEMENTS WITH COMMUNITY PROVIDERS

Community Providers should strive to reduce logistical barriers to obtaining buprenorphine:

1. Timely appointments
2. Wide acceptance of insurance including Medicaid
3. Individualized treatment approach consistent with best practices

PEARLS AND PITFALLS

-THE EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT IS OPEN 24/7 AND UNIQUELY POSITIONED AS A FREQUENT POINT OF CONTACT FOR THOSE WITH SUD

-A HARSH REALITY; NONCOMPLIANCE IS THE EXPECTATION

THE 2020 FOCUSED UPDATE TO THE NPG IS REFLECTIVE OF A PARADIGM SHIFT:

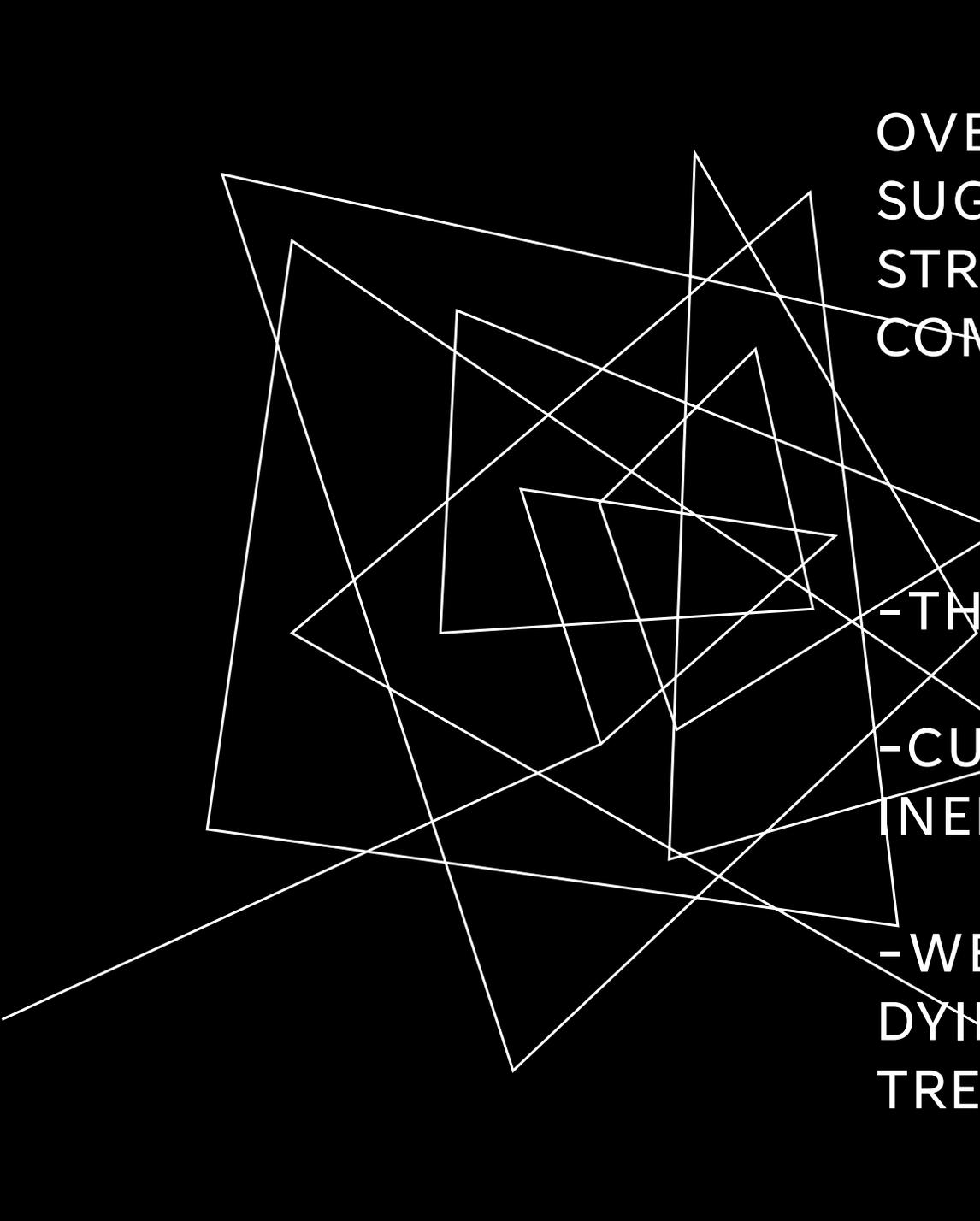
- OUD AS A CHRONIC DISEASE

- OUD AS A PUBLIC HEALTH ISSUE

- A clinical approach similar to other chronic and costly diseases (Type II Diabetes)

- An emphasis on compliance and adherence to prescription medication

- An acceptance that management is complex, multifactorial, and agency of change lies within the patient



OVERDOSE AND TOXICOLOGY DATA
SUGGESTS THAT BY 2017 OUR NATION'S
STREET DRUG SUPPLY HAD BEEN
COMPLETELY ADULTERATED BY FENTANYL

-THE COST TO SOCIETY WAS PROFOUND

-CURRENT CLINICAL STRATEGIES WERE
INEFFECTIVE (INPATIENT V. OUTPATIENT)

-WE NEEDED TO KEEP PEOPLE FROM
DYING (HARM REDUCTION, RETENTION IN
TREATMENT).