

HB2506 testimony

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2012

- I was a hospitalist
- Caring for rising numbers of young people admitted for medical and surgical complications of opioid use disorder.
- My patient's story pushed me to lead change.



“Hooked: A Love Story From Vermont's Opioid Crisis,” Kate O'Neill 2019

- We were not equipped to treat the primary disease, the opioid use disorder
- Tremendous cost
- Patient died



Conducted a needs assessment

People wanted
addiction care,
should start in
the hospital

Gap time to
community
treatment

Stigma, mistrust,
choice

Improving addiction care team (IMPACT)

- 2014
 - Physician
 - Social worker
 - Peer
- Grown to include:
 - NPs, PA
 - Medical fellows and other trainees
 - Nurse
 - Pharmacist
 - Research and educational team



IMPACT: a platform for change



Clinical care

~30 staff across 3 hospitals



Developing the evidence

The most rigorously studied
addiction consult service in
the US



Platform for change:

Telementoring ECHO (>1000
participants across Oregon's urban,
rural, frontier hospitals)

Changing hospital standards of care



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Hospital Standards of Care for People with Substance Use Disorder

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More than 100,000 Americans died from drug overdoses in 2021 — a staggering death toll that would have been un-

charge SUD treatment, and reductions in SUD severity, stigma, and mortality. Furthermore, hospital-based addiction care increases the

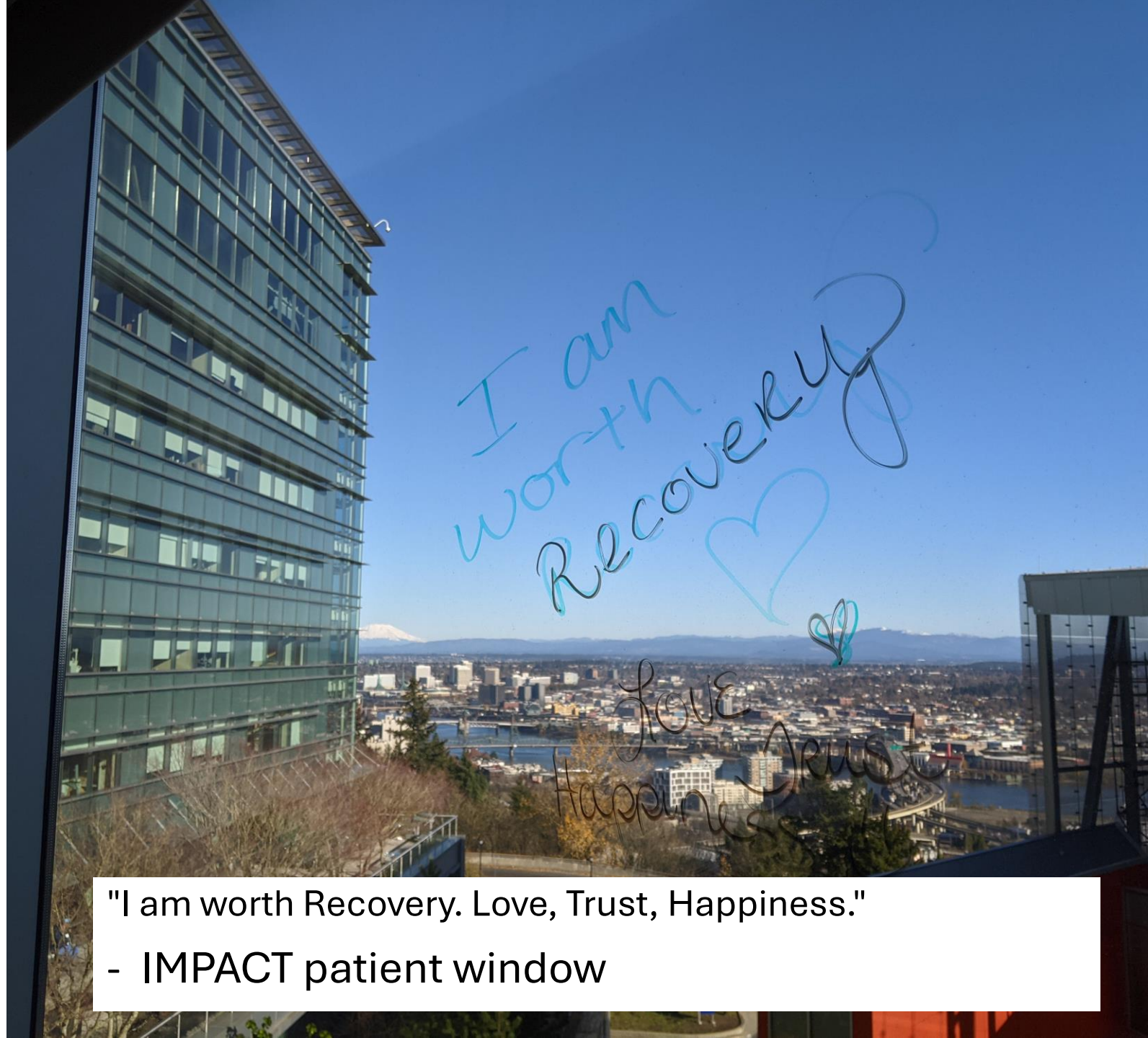
SUD is a moral failing rather than a treatable health condition with biologic, social, emotional, and cultural underpinnings.

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- HB 2506 would drive state standards and infrastructure needed to accomplish this
 - Has potential to transform care, improve outcomes, and save lives
- Oregon has necessary expertise, can draw on existing expertise, infrastructure and networks
- Requires building up linkages to community care
 - Expanded methadone and low-barrier buprenorphine

Questions

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"I am worth Recovery. Love, Trust, Happiness."

- IMPACT patient window