Hub & Spoke System Grantee Profile:
Aegis Treatment Centers (Chico)

The California Hub & Spoke System (CA H&SS) is a component of the California Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Expansion Project, and is being implemented as a way to improve, expand, and increase access to MAT services across the state. Each CA H&SS consists of a "Hub" that serves as the addiction center of expertise, and multiple "Spokes" that act as clinical service providers.

About:

Aegis Treatment Centers is a state and federally licensed Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP) offering MAT in combination with evidence-based behavioral therapy to give our patients the skills and confidence to lead a drug-free life. Aegis offers individual and group counseling, case management, crisis intervention, and physician services and focuses on treating the whole person. Aegis serves over 10,000 patients in California with 31 clinics and 2 medication units to improve access in rural areas. 80% of all Aegis patients are opiate free after 90 days.



Hub:
590 Rio Lindo Avenue
Chico, CA 95926

Spokes:

- Banner Health Clinic - 1680 Paul Bunyan Rd., Susanville, CA 96130
- Butte County Behavioral Health (multiple sites)
  3217 Cohasset Rd., Chico, CA 95973
  2430 Bird St., Oroville, CA 95965
- County of Tehama - 1850 Walnut St., Red Bluff, CA 96080
- Groups: Recover Together - 1550 Humboldt Rd., Suite 3, Chico, CA 95928
- Mangrove Medical Group - 1040 Mangrove Ave., Chico, CA 96926
- Plumas District Hospital - 1065 Bucks Lake Rd., Quincy, CA 95971

AT THIS HUB & SPOKE SYSTEM:

Treatment Available for H&SS Patients:

- Individual & Group Counseling
- Case Management
- Medical, Social Work, and Mental Health Services
- Peer Mentoring
- Assessment
- HIV and HCV Testing

Medication Available for H&SS Patients:

- Methadone treatment
- Buprenorphine inductions
- Buprenorphine/Naloxone treatment
- Vivitrol

Total Projected Number of H&SS Patients Served Over Two Years at All Sites: 600

Counties Served: Butte, Plumas, Tehama, Lassen

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INNOVATIONS

Increasing Access to MAT in Rural Counties. Aegis Treatment Centers is increasing access to MAT in the rural counties of Butte, Plumas, Tehama, and Lassen where overdose rates are among the highest in the state.

Community Outreach. Aegis Treatment Centers' community outreach efforts include hosting Hub Open House Events that are open to the public to promote stigma reduction and introduce treatment to the rural communities. Additionally, outreach for hubs and spokes include promoting activities through local media outlets (e.g. newspapers, free papers, radio stations, movie theaters (pre-show slides), and free public access TV channels). Community advertisement will be utilized to engage and inform communities of opioid epidemic and services available in their community.

Coalition Support. Aegis Treatment Centers actively coordinates with and participates in local SafeRx, Drug Free, and Opioid Coalitions such as; Butte Glenn Medical Society Drug Abuse Prevention Task Force, Northern Sierra Opioid Safety Coalition.

Electronic Medical Records (EMR) System (PHASE). Aegis is building upon its PHASE EMR system and is in the initial stages of developing a mobile app (AegisConnect) that will assist in better connecting patients with clinical and medical staff. The mobile app is expected to additionally improve communications between providers and patients in remote Hub or Spoke locations. The AegisConnect patient application is expected to provide patients with the following capabilities:

- Join a video counseling session with caseload manager or medical provider
- Patient registration and authentication, upcoming appointments, lab history
- Send messages to caseload manager
- Journal and provide daily reports on withdrawal symptoms and indicators
- Send SOS alerts, which trigger immediate callbacks from support staff
- Low-bandwidth mode for those in areas where mobile data connections are not fully feasible, including SMS based check-ins and reminders, as well as counseling via telephone

RESOURCES

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