

**Commonwealth of Kentucky**  
Kentucky HEALTH

# Winning the War Against Opioids & IV Drug Abuse

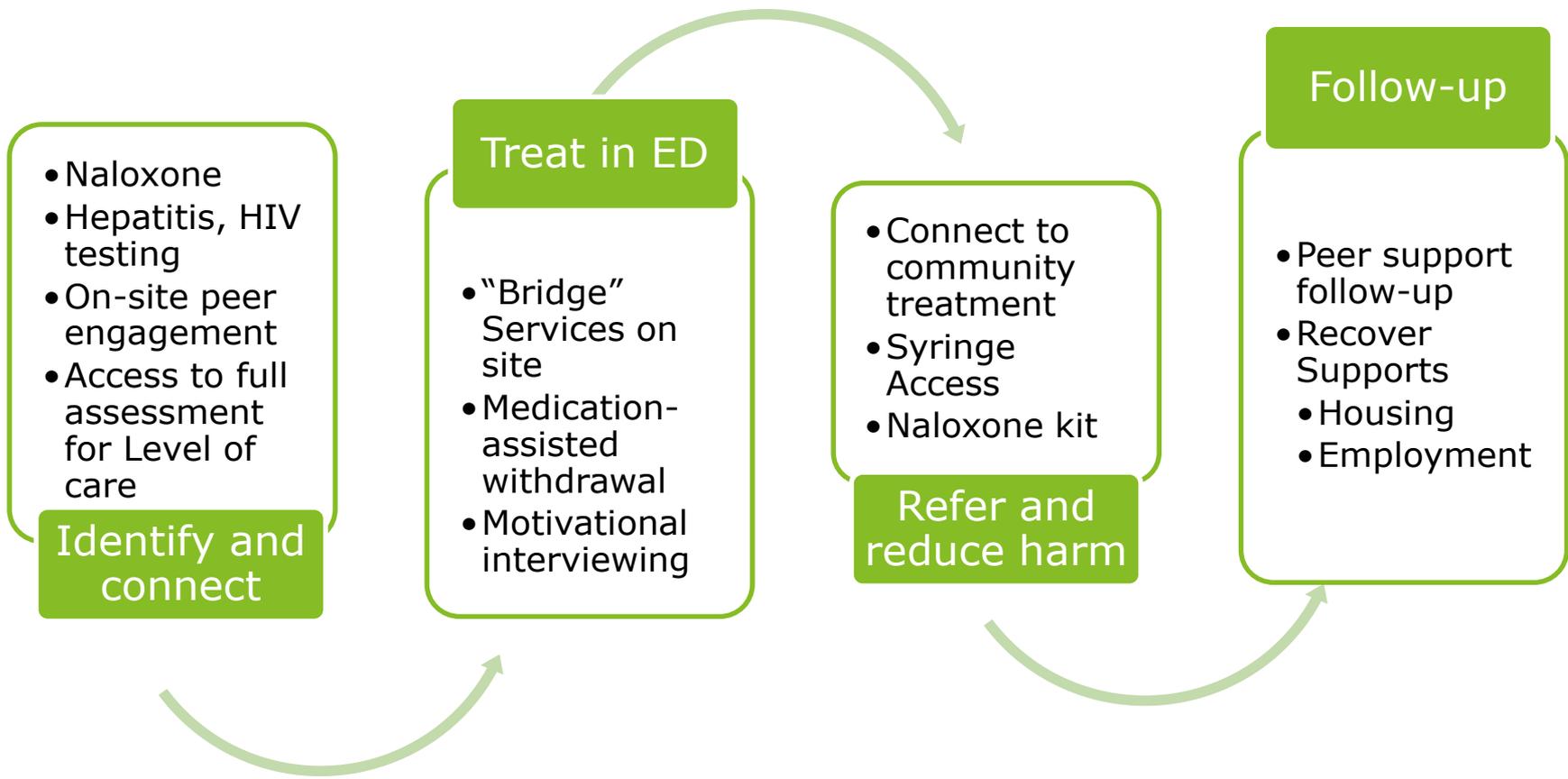
Medicaid Policy Reforms & the Kentucky Opioid Response Effort

## Case 1

36 yo male brought by EMS to emergency department after being found unresponsive in a parked car

- Vital signs: respiratory rate 2 bpm, heart rate 40 bpm, bp 100/50
- Physical exam: pinpoint pupils, needle tracks on antecubital areas
- Responds to intranasal naloxone (Narcan), and is now awake and alert but appears anxious and uncomfortable

Now what?



## Key Takeaways

- Peer support engagement at time of presentation to ED after OD
- Post ED contact if not engaged in treatment in ED
- Immediate access to assessment and withdrawal management
- Dispensing of naloxone in ED's

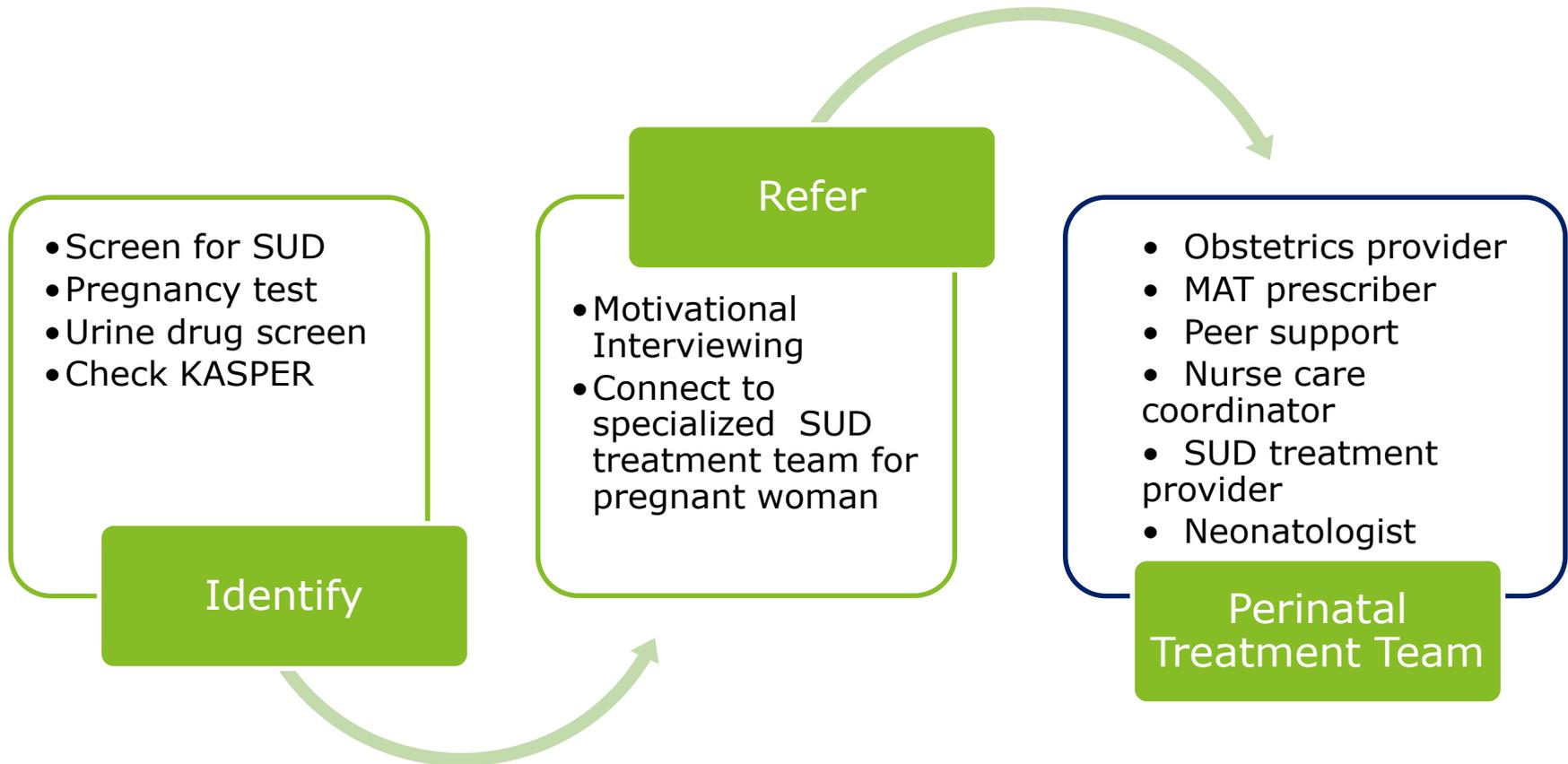
Ultimate Goal → Increase percentage of individuals who enter OUD treatment post overdose

## Case 2

26yo female presents to primary care for evaluation after self reported fall

- History reveals she has not had her period for 2 months
- Exam reveals she is poorly groomed and underweight
- Pregnancy Test is positive
- Urine Drug Screen is positive for opioids and her KASPER reveals multiple prescribed opioids filled at multiple pharmacies
- During discussion of results she admits to she is “addicted to opioids” and she asks for help

Now what?



## Key Takeaways

- Coordinated care for women pregnant and parenting woman with OUD
- Critical role of medication assisted treatment in pregnancy
- Post delivery is high risk period for both mother and infant and treatment should focus on mother baby-dyad

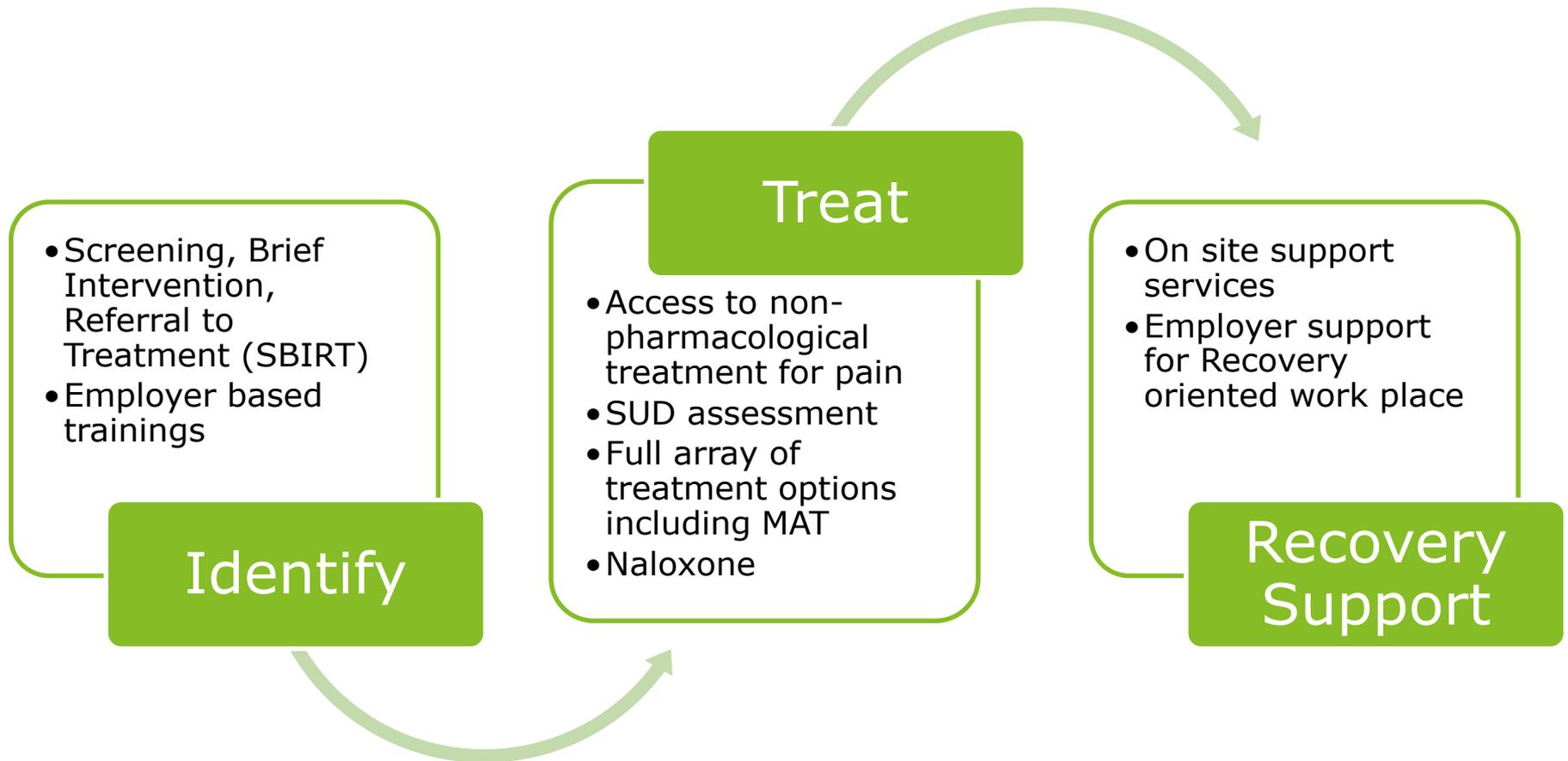
Ultimate Goal → Mother enters Recovery during pregnancy and unanticipated NAS with prolonged NICU stay is prevented and mother retains custody of her child

## Case 3

40 yo female presents to employer based clinic for back pain and request pain medication for chronic symptoms

- Records indicate she is a long standing employee with a history of multiple promotions and good work history
- She is screened by SBIRT trained healthcare staff
- She acknowledges feeling out of control in her use of pain medications for back pain and wants help

Now what?



## Key Takeaways

- Screening
- Linkages – co-location, integration, telehealth
- Recovery oriented care
- Demonstrating high quality MAT

Ultimate Goal → individual keeps job and receives appropriate treatment for pain and assistance with managing OUD including a recovery supportive work environment.