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Response to Gun Violence**

**Presenters: Ephraim Kaba, CEO and Yvette Gbemudu, MD**

# Henrietta Johnson Medical Center

As a federally qualified health center, Henrietta Johnson Medical Center has been meeting the health care needs of the greater Wilmington Delaware area for over 40 years. Henrietta Johnson Medical Center has learned how to adapt to the needs of the community; and now provides Primary Care, Women's Health, Dental, and Enabling services.

In November of 2014 HRSA awarded HJMC Primary Care Behavioral Health Integration funding. This funding allowed HJMC to integrate behavioral health services within our Primary Care and Women's Health settings.

Dr. Yvette Gbemudu, CMO of Henrietta Johnson Medical Center will provide an overview of our response to gun violence.



# Initial Behavioral Health Model

The Health Center's Integrated Behavioral Health Model was not developed specifically in response to the gun violence in the City of Wilmington. However, the Health Center's Integrated Behavioral Health services are currently the most timely and effective response strategy in place to address the needs of patients impacted by community gun violence.

## Goal

- Provide patients with a brief intervention and follow-up support through the services rendered by a Primary Care Behavioral Health Consultant utilizing a warm hand-off

## Purpose

- Provide patients with timely access to behavioral health services and coordinated referral support to community treatment and maintenance resources
- Reduce the stigma associated with receiving behavioral health and or mental health services

# Initial Behavioral Health Model

- Warm handoffs from the Provider to the Primary Care Behavioral Health Consultant are provided based on PHQ9/PHQ2 Screener results and symptoms presented at visit
- Primary Care Behavioral Health Consultant provides a 15- 30 minute brief intervention in the examination room
- Follow-up appointments with the Primary Care Behavioral Health Consultant 4 visit maximum

# Adapted Integrated Behavioral Health Model

Currently in the Models' second year of implementation the following discoveries and adaptations have occurred

- ▶ The Primary Care Behavioral Health Consultant engages in a wider range of activities to include psychotherapy (ongoing, longer than 30 minutes), case management, in-depth referral coordination
- ▶ Less emphasis on behavioral brief intervention, as patients are requiring a greater level of care

# Patient Story



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# Questions / Discussion