A CASCADE OF CARE FRAMEWORK: IDENTIFYING GAPS IN MEDICATION ACCESS FOR ALCOHOL USE DISORDER (AUD)

Background

>¼ of overdose deaths in BC involve alcohol

AUD is often unrecognized & untreated

Diagnosis: moderate to severe AUD

Linked to outpatient AUD care

Initiate MAUD

MAUD for ≥ 1 month

< 5% retention in MAUD for ≥ 3 months in any year

MAUD for ≥ 3 month

MAUD for ≥ 6 month

Methods

Retrospective linked administrative health data

Analysis population: BC residents (2015-2019)

20% random sample focusing on people diagnosed with moderate to severe AUD

MAUD and Adverse Health Outcomes

Impact of MAUD on adverse outcomes

↑ duration of MAUD = ↓ odds of experiencing AUD-related adverse outcomes

MAUD are safe, effective & underprescribed

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