Psychiatric-Mental Health Nurses Pivotal in Improving Patient Access To Care

The demand for quality mental health services is on the rise. At the same time, the United States faces a dramatic shortage of professionals qualified to treat persons with mental health and substance use disorders.

PMH Registered Nurses (RN) and Advanced Practice Registered Nurses (APRN) have the skills and qualifications to step forward and expand access and the quality of mental health care across the U.S.

The role of PMH nurses must be acknowledged and their utilization expanded to increase patient access to quality care for mental health and substance use challenges.

THE NEED:



56 million+
Americans experience
mental illness or struggle
with substance use disorder



Only 44% of adults receive the care they need



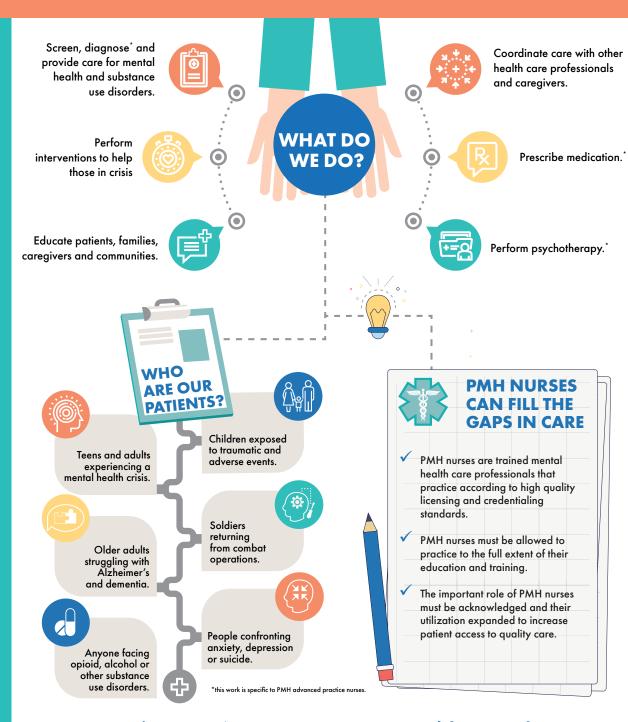
Only 20% of children receive the care they need



1 in 5
U.S. adults lives with a mental health condition



The American Psychiatric Nurses Association is the largest professional membership organization in the US committed to the practice of psychiatric-mental health (PMH) nursing and wellness promotion, prevention of mental health problems, and the care and treatment of persons with psychiatric and/or substance use disorders.



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