

Responding to Severe Hypertensive Emergencies



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Advancing **C**ommunity and **C**linical Care for **C**hildbirth-related Hypertension: **I**mplementation, **E**ngagement, and **V**aluing **E**quity

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Objectives

- By the end of this session the implementation team will
 - Finalize adapted severe HTN algorithm for antepartum/postpartum patients
 - Plan next steps to implement the adapted severe HTN algorithms
 - Preview suggested conversation guides to assist in communicating urgency during hypertensive emergencies

Agenda

- Last meeting, we:
 - *Reviewed the Severe HTN Algorithms*
 - *Considered adaptations to fit the clinic*
 - *Planned next steps for putting that policy into practice*
- This meeting, we will:
 - *Ground our purpose*
 - *Check-in on BP measurement policies/procedures*
 - *Continue work on adapting both versions of severe HTN algorithm*
 - *Introduce conversation guide resource*
 - *Plan next steps*

Roles for today's session



FACILITATOR- ACHIEVE
NURSE COORDINATOR



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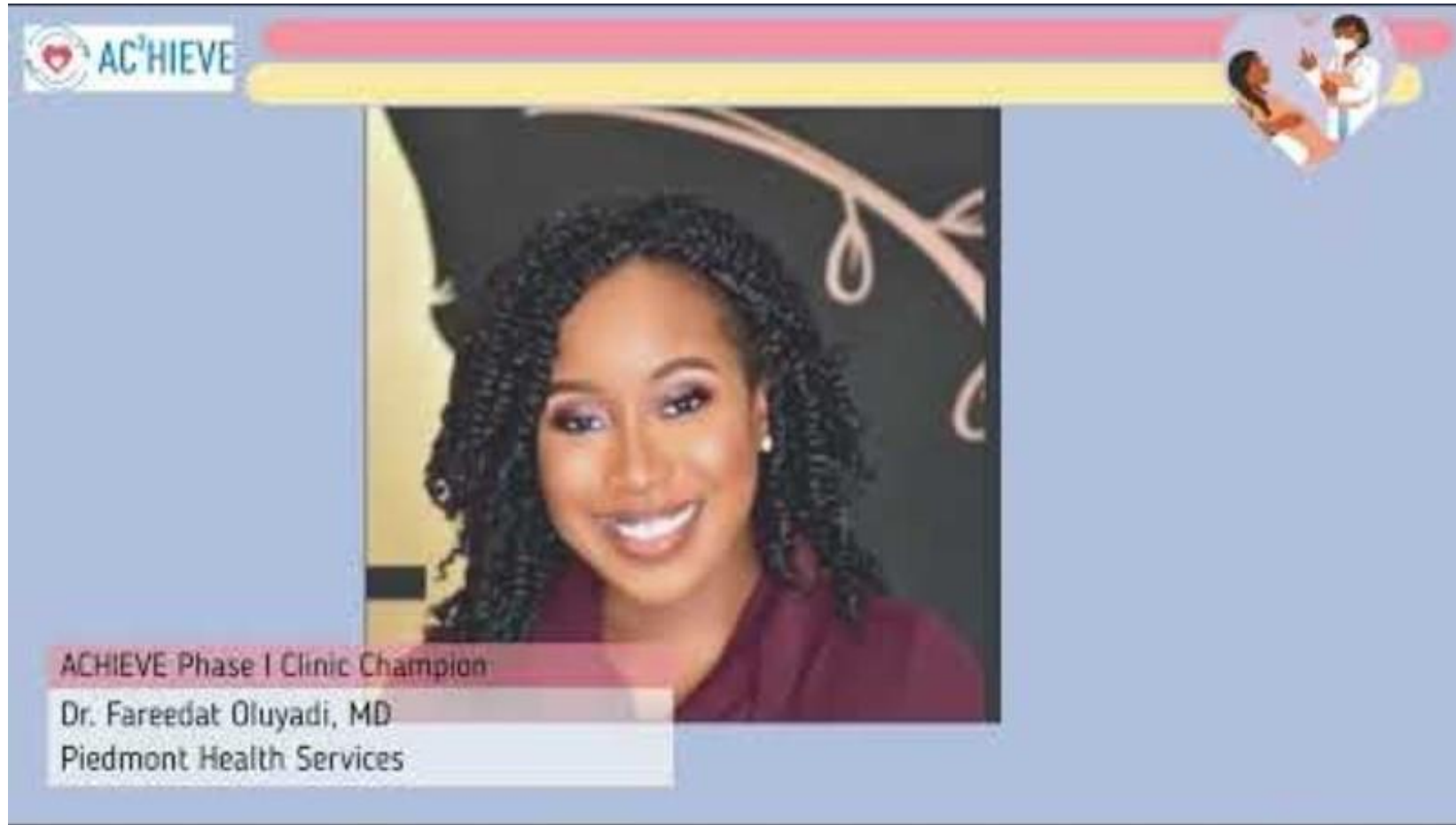
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Administrative Catch-Up

- **Scheduling Needs:**

- Blood pressure observations (to see if the BP Measurement policy/protocol we worked on has changed MAs/RNs practice)
- Simulations (to see if the Severe Hypertension algorithm we worked on has changed Providers and MAs/RNs practice)

Tips for Communicating Urgency



Check-in on BP Measurement Procedures

- Any major challenges preventing implementation of the policy?
 - *Ideas for overcoming those challenges?*
- Next steps

Working Session on Algorithms

Summary of proposed changes (from last discussion):

Next Steps for Implementation

- Who else needs to approve these drafts?
- What needs to happen to spread information to staff and other providers?
- What are some of the missing pieces that need to occur to get this into practice?
- Who will work on these steps?

Conversation Guide

Introduction

What is a Conversation Guide?

- **WHAT:** pamphlets with **suggested phrases** that could be used during a conversation about a potential **hypertension emergency** during **pregnancy or postpartum**
- **WHERE:** Outpatient clinics
- **TWO GUIDES:** one for patients, one for providers

Development process

- WHY: request from both patient and clinician partners
- HOW: iterative human-centered design process
- WHO: ACHIEVE community coalition, Clinical Champions, two Patient Action Groups

Revisiting our Objectives

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Evaluating Today's Progress

- Did we hit our objective?
- What went well today?
- What would help improve the next meeting?

THANK YOU!

