In a routine visit to the Family Resource Center, Kimberly, one of our Community Case Managers received a referral for a 30-year-old male named Joseph who was seeking assistance with an opioid addiction.

Kimberly immediately arranged for Joseph to receive a same-day intake with the Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) team as well as a taxicab to transport him directly to HealthFirst.

Joseph received his MAT assessment that same afternoon and proceeded to meet with a HealthFirst counselor to determine which level of addiction counseling was appropriate for him.

Joseph then met with one of HealthFirst’s internal primary care providers who prescribed him the appropriate medications to assist with the three-day transition from active use of injected heroin to Medication Assisted Treatment with Suboxone.

Joseph’s case manager in conjunction with his MAT nurse worked together to develop an integrated care plan for him and shared it with the rest of the clinical care team.

Three days later Joseph started his clinical care along with weekly counseling and has been successfully progressing through the program.

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