



Welcome & Opening Remarks

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SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER IN PREGNANCY: IMPROVING OUTCOMES FOR FAMILIES

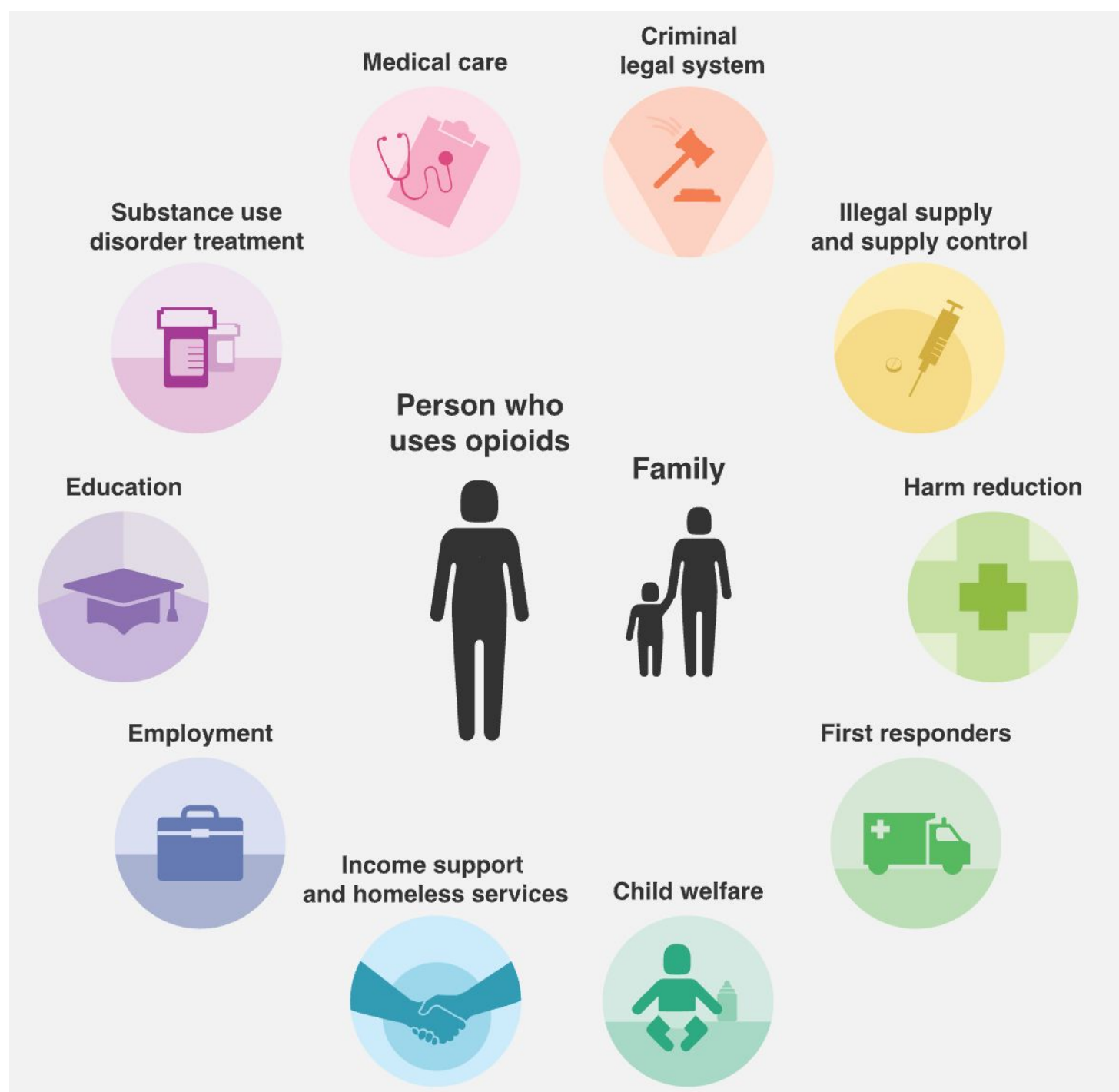
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Five Key Values

- Having SUD in pregnancy is not, by itself, child abuse or neglect.
- Criminalizing SUD in pregnancy is ineffective and harmful.
- Everyone has the right to effective treatment.
- Pregnant women with SUD should be encouraged to access support and care systems, and barriers to access should be eliminated where possible.
- Improving coordination of public health, criminal justice systems, treatment and early childhood systems can optimize outcomes and reduce disparities.

The Ecosystem Approach to Opioid Policy



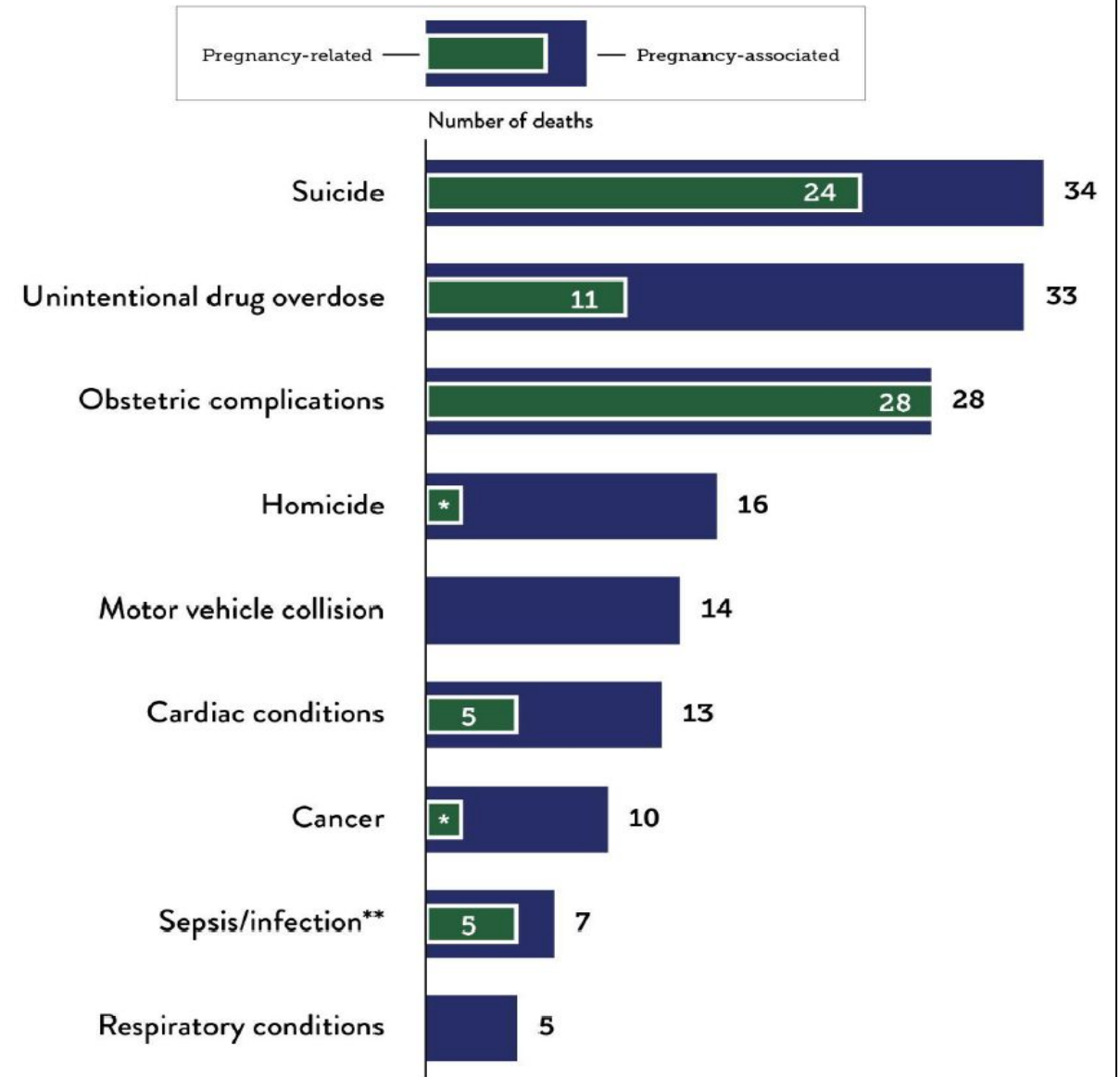
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Maternal Mortality in Colorado 2016-2020

Causes of **Pregnancy-associated** and **Pregnancy-related** deaths, 2016-2020



* There were fewer than 5 pregnancy-related homicide and cancer deaths

** Sepsis/infection includes COVID-19 infection

There are 14 additional pregnancy-associated deaths that did not fall into the above categories.



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