

National Consensus Conference on Community Paramedicine



Panel 2: Integration with Other Medical Professions

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Integration With Other Medical Professions

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- ❖ Comments reflect my own opinions and should not be construed as a position of any affiliated organization

A “Vision” for Out-of-Hospital EMS

“EMS of the future...
community-based health
management that is fully
integrated with the
overall health system.”

EMS Agenda for the Future
National Highway Traffic Safety Administration
(1996)



EMS Agenda for the Future

- ❖ Integrated with other health care providers and public health/public safety agencies
- ❖ Improve community health
- ❖ Result in more appropriate use of acute health care resources

Rethinking Old Paradigms



Traditional roles



Future roles

Appropriate Use



Before Integration--The 6 C's

- ❁ Community-current unfulfilled need
- ❁ Complimentary-enhance not duplicate
- ❁ Collaborative-interdisciplinary
- ❁ Competence-practitioners qualified
- ❁ Compassion-respect for individuals
- ❁ Credentialed-legally authorized to function

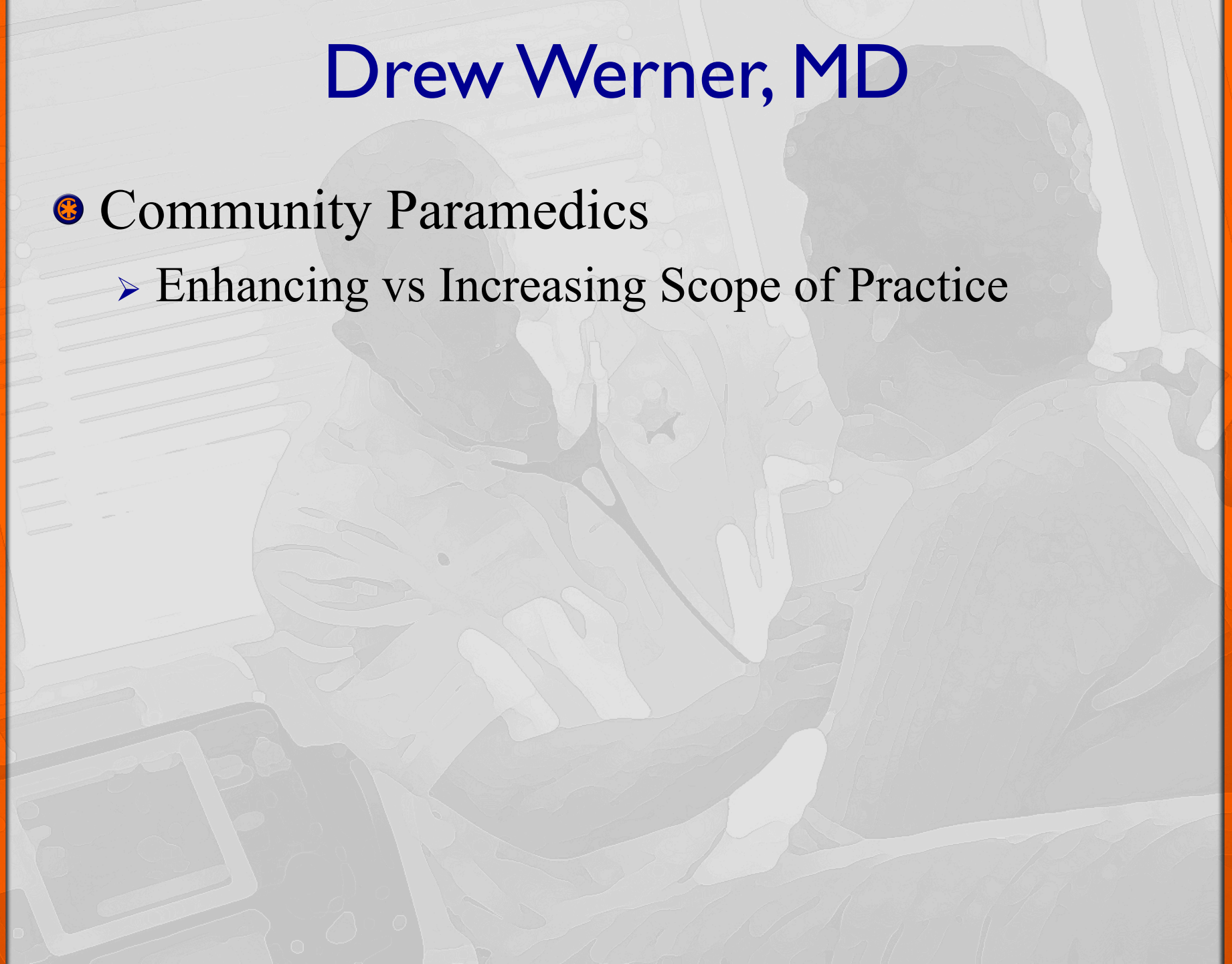
Summary Thoughts--

- ❖ NO compromise to emergency care mission
- ❖ PARTNERSHIPS
- ❖ Discussion within the community including population, local officials, and the health and medical community

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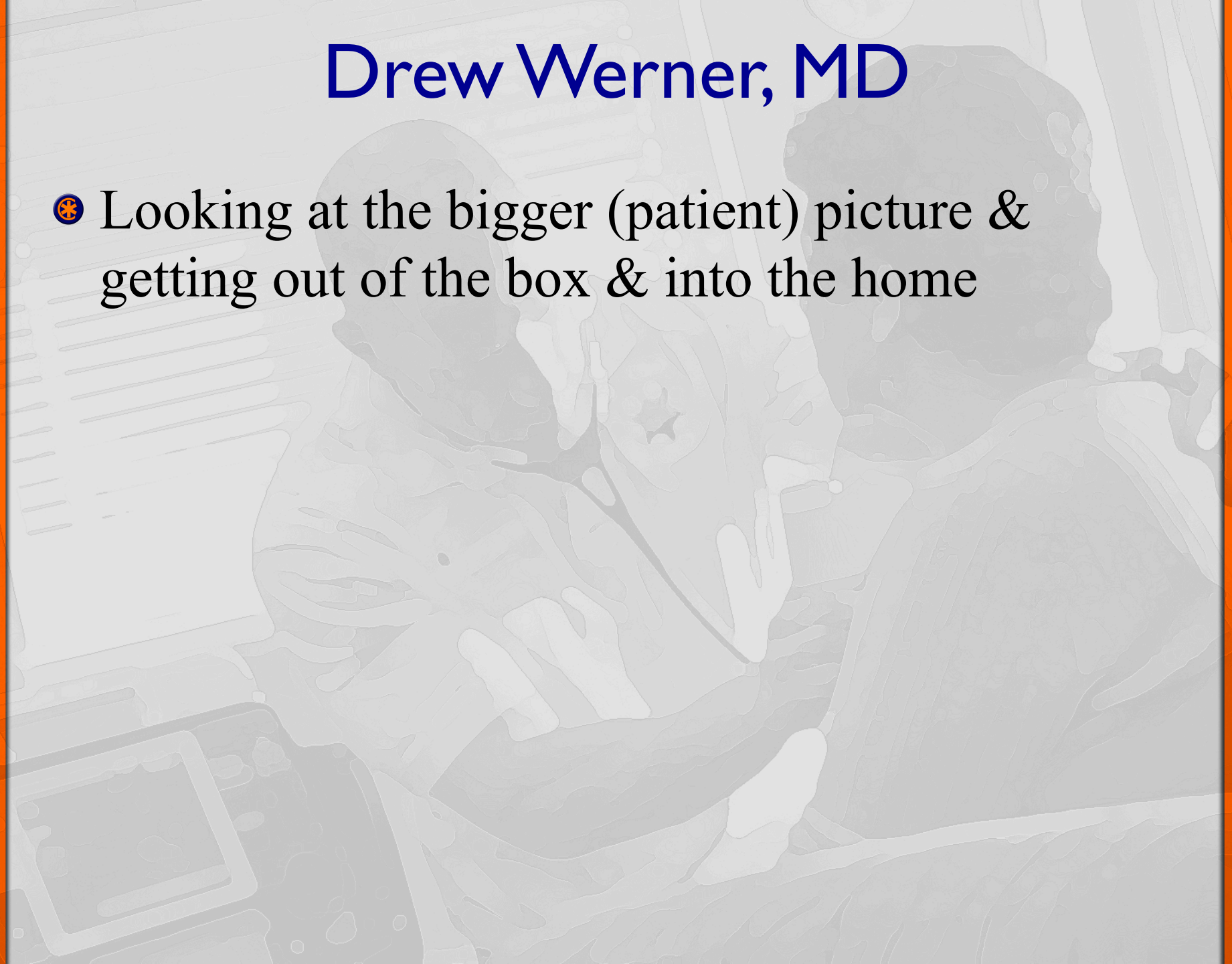
☼ Community Paramedics

- Enhancing vs Increasing Scope of Practice



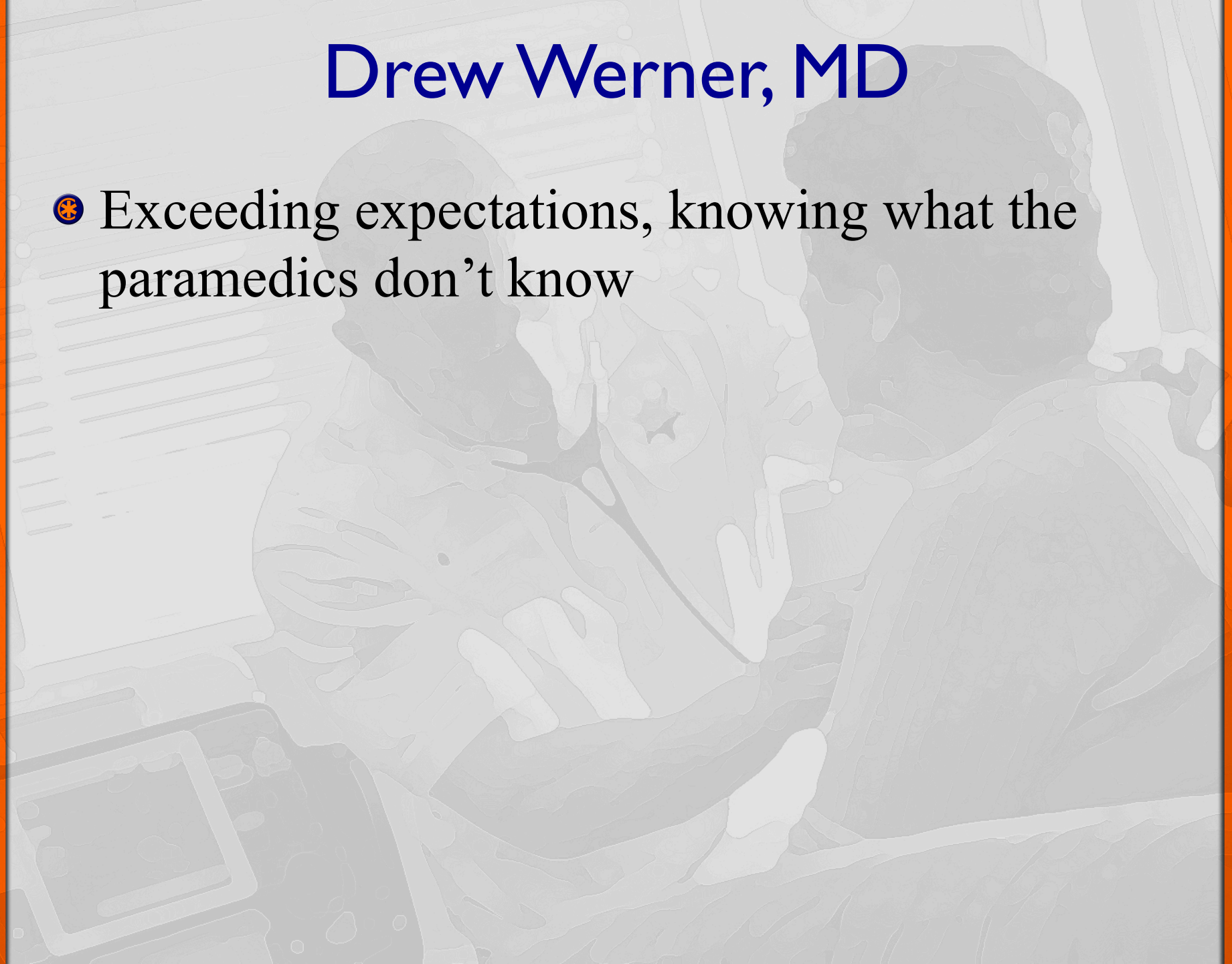
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- 🚑 Looking at the bigger (patient) picture & getting out of the box & into the home



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- ❖ Exceeding expectations, knowing what the paramedics don't know



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- ❖ Meeting your Community's needs



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☼ Community Partnerships

- Public Health
- Community Physicians
- Hospital Discharge Planning
- Hospital ERs

Discussion

- Best Practices and Models
- Discussion of Gaps
- Research Questions and Activities
- Action Plan for National Agenda (Who, What, When, Where?)