We'll see new investments in prevention, and essentially ensure that on the clinical side, which again is one small but critical component of the overall solution, that we're clear about the approaches that we need: payment reform around treatment, building infrastructure, looking at ways to monitor and ensure quality and access, and then thinking about the full spectrum from screening, detection of those at risk, prevention of progressing to a worrisome outcome and then for those that have crossed into addiction, treating them all the way to recovery.

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The state public health insurance plan has a big role to play in addressing opioids. You know, we need to do a much smarter job of thinking about prevention, creating clinical payment that'll drive much more preventive services all the way to the back end.

We realized that many people who currently struggle with addiction have inadequate access to treatment, and even when they get into treatment, sometimes that treatment isn't of the highest quality that we need to ensure that people go all the way to recovery.

So successes that I've seen are clear plans about sustainable health insurance policies that create the needed treatment infrastructure.