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Joseph provided the following analogy to help me understand the leadership's direction for AIM.

> *If a person finds that they have cancer, the Dr. may refer them to a hematologist who may suggest radiation therapy, chemotherapy or perhaps surgical procedures. They may also be encouraged try to control the cancer in a natural way as the patient may try naturopathic treatment processes. Variations in diet would be important, as well as a vitamin regime specific to the patients needs may be used. The patient may learn meditation techniques. Mindfulness techniques may help a patient choose different treatments. The patient may also find work that may fit with treatment. The focus is to help people become personally more responsible for their treatment through mastery of their mind and emotions. Knowing who they are and what they need to do for themselves is an important aspect of treatment.*

Joseph said, "We know what a person has to do to manage alcohol and drug use and develop clarity about a sober life." It is eventually a matter of the young person's readiness to participate in the decisions that are necessary to be successful in recovery. Through the AIM mentoring process, the young people begin to understand and realize their interests and talents; AIM utilizes sophisticated opportunities with a wide range of services from which residents select to produce the right combination of personalized services to maximize the opportunity for success. This process is considered the "best practice" for young adults in the care of AIM House. AIM House prides itself on being a real program in the real world. AIM is licensed as a business in Colorado.

Computers are magnificent tools for the realization of our dreams, but no machine can replace the human spark of spirit, compassion, love, and understanding.

~ Louis Gerstner