2013 Program Report Card: Supportive Housing, Department of Children and Families

Quality of Life Result: Connecticut children grow up stable, safe, healthy, and ready to lead successful lives

Contribution to the Result: Supportive Housing for Families provides housing assistance and intensive case management services to DCF families to prevent children from being removed from their families due to inadequate housing or homelessness and to support the reunification of children with their family when housing issues present a barrier to reunification. SHF is contracted to provide services to 500 families annually.

Supportive Housing	Program Expenditures	State Funding	Federal Funding	Other Funding	Total Funding
	Actual SFY 12	\$12,540,910	\$200,000	0	\$12,740,910
	Estimated SFY 13	\$15,169,965	\$901,946	0	\$16,071,911

Partners: DCF, Families, The Connection Inc (TCI), Dept. of Social Services, Dept. of Housing and Urban Development, Shelters, Community Social Service Agencies.

How Much Did We Do?

Number and percentage of families who achieve service plan goals.

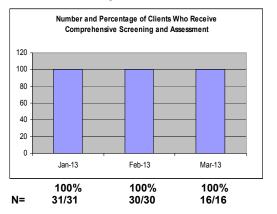


Story behind the baseline: The Chart is demonstration of service plan goals achieved for families who had goals due during the months of January-March 2013. A factor that influences this outcome is the number of goals due on a particular month, such as the decrease in the number of goals due in the month of March.

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How Well Did We Do It?

Number and percentage of clients who receive comprehensive screening and assessment to determine the likely presence of parenting, substance abuse and mental health challenges.

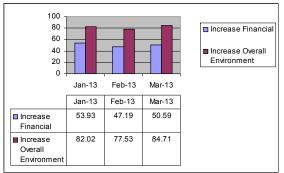


Story behind the baseline: The chart demonstrates the number and percentage of families who have been screened and assessed by a battery of tools that include stability of living situation, parental stress, patterns of substance use, psychological, behavioral, and cognitive symptomatology and overall family functioning. Note that the drop in number of families in the month of March is due to caseload capacity issues.

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How Well Did We Do It?

Number and percentage of families with increased scores in the overall score, the baseline score, overall environment & financial sections of the NCFAS.



Story behind the baseline: This chart

demonstrates the number of percentage increase scores for the North Carolina Family Assessment Scale (NCFAS) areas of Financial Management and Overall Environment. There is a greater difference in the financial management due to the need for additional training of case managers regarding employment and vocational resources available to families in the community.

Note: There are approximately 35-40% of families in sample who are at or above baseline for Financial Management outcome, thus no increase impacts reporting.

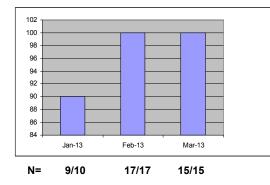
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Is Anyone Better Off?

Number and Percentage of familiess who have safe and affordable housing within the first year of program enrollment.



Story behind the baseline:

This chart demonstrates the agencies success in housing families during the first year of program enrollment. There was only one family who was not housed within 1 year due to refusal of services, which is very rare.

Is Anyone Better Off?

Percentage of children remaining with parent(s)/caregivers instead of entering foster care and, of those entering foster care, the number of days spent in foster care.



Story behind the baseline:

There is a need to find an accurate data source for this outcome

Proposed Actions to Turn the Curve:

The DCF program lead will work with the provider to assure that the Contractor case managers are better qualified to provide families education on the financial management and to assist families in accessing vocational and employment programs in the community.

Data Development Agenda:

- At this time, we are waiting for DCF to determine the most appropriate way to collect and report Repeat Maltreatment data.
- Define data elements and develop a system that will measure children remaining with parents vs. foster care, and for those children entering foster care, the number of days spent in foster care.

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