

Autism Spectrum Disorder Advisory Council

MEETING MINUTES

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Meeting Date	Meeting Time	Meeting Location
3/20/2024	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Hybrid Legislative Office Building, Room 1C Zoom (link above)

Member Name and Attendance

ASD Advisory Body Members					
Jimnahs Miller, Chair	I	Andrew Komarow	R	Sarah Schlegel	R
Yana Razumnaya, Chair	R	Kimberly Mearmen	R	Julie Wolf	R
Marcia Eckerd	R	Lynn Ricci	I	Parent of child (open)	
Rep Tammy Exum	X	Lois Rosenwald	R	Patrick Heick, nominee	R
Melissa Gagne	R	Carole Ryan-Hanlon	R		
Melissa Hoon	I	Kari Sassu	R		
ASD Supporting Agencies & Other Participants					
Kathy Marchione, ADS BRS	X	Ann Gionet, DPH	R	Judy Dowd, OPM	I
Bryan Klimkiewicz, CSDE	R	Stephen Byers, DRCT	R	Shelly Maynes, OPM	X
Dorothy Papa-Santini, CSDE	R	Amy Dumont, DSS	I	Zani Imetovski, OPM	X
Stephanie Bozak, DCF	R	Julie McKenna, OCA	X	Tara Viens, OPM	I
Krista Ostaszewski, DDS	X	MaryBeth Miller, OEC	R	Jason Knight for Rep Exum	R
Jennifer Abbatemarco, DMHAS	R	Kolleen Kerski, OEC	R	Iris Doleo-Edwin, OEC	R
<i>Attendance Key: R = attended remotely, I = attended in-person, X = absent</i>					

	Agenda	Responsible Person(s)
1.	Welcome & Introductions	Jimnahs Miller, Chair
	Call to Order	
2.	Public Comment	Jimnahs Miller, Chair
	None	
3.	Review & Approve Meeting Minutes	Jimnahs Miller, Chair
	Motion to approve the minutes by Jimnah Miller 2 nd by Stephen Byers January meeting minutes were approved	
4.	DSS and Carelon Autism Waiver Updates	Amy Dumont, DSS Jennifer Krom, Carelon
	DSS statistics are attached below. Carelon data is attached below.	
5.	OPM Updates	Tara Viens, OPM
	OPM is working with the director of appointments in the Governor's office to get new appointment letters now that the council has moved from DSS to OPM.	

	Bylaws and co-chair will be voted on at next meeting once membership letters have been received.	
6.	Council Business	Jimnahs Miller, Chair
	<p>Housing Subcommittee update A recording of the meeting can be found on the ASDAC website. The meeting included a presentation by Catherine Boyle from Autism Housing Pathways. Tara Viens reported on the 15 new housing vouchers that will provide a supportive housing option for adults with autism. When the identified provider has a contract and plans for implementation, we will have them present to the council.</p> <p>Determine 2024 Subcommittee Priorities The following subcommittees were identified by the council.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Autism Housing Options for CT 2. Autism Education & Training 3. CSDE Autism Guidance Review 	
7.	General Questions & Announcements	Jimnahs Miller, Chair
	<p>April 29th will be Autism Awareness Day at the Capitol DPH will be conducting a CT Maternal and Child Health Needs Assessment to inform their planning for the next 5 years and would appreciate assistance with dissemination. Jimnahs Miller encouraged council members to watch the public recording of the CT-N: 2024 Annual Family Hearing Day with The Arc of Connecticut and the Intellectual/Developmental Disability Caucus</p>	
8.	Next Steps	Tara Viens, OPM
	Next meeting will be held on June 26, 2024, on Zoom	
8.	Adjourn	Jimnahs Miller, Chair

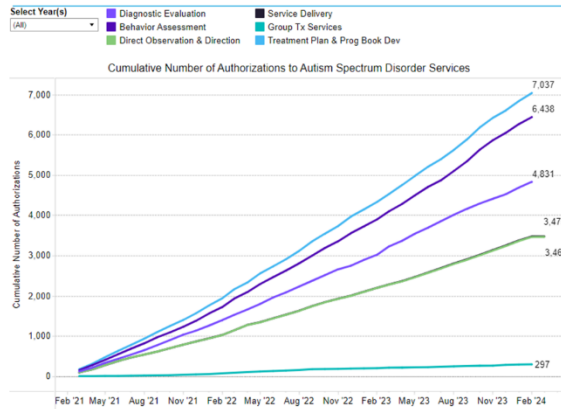
Medicaid Funded Services for Individuals with an Autism Spectrum Diagnosis

March 2024

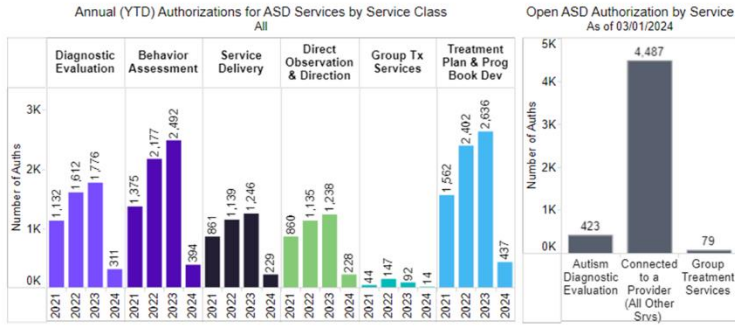
Chapter 01

February 2024 Data Review and Trends

ASD Medicaid Authorizations as of 03/05/2024



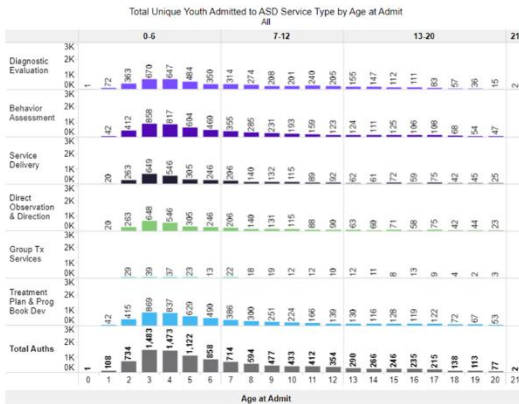
ASD Medicaid Authorizations



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ASD Medicaid Youth Monthly Admissions as of 03/05/2024 Report

- "Admissions" defined as first authorization for ASD services
- Three-year-olds make up the largest group of individuals starting services with a total of 1,483



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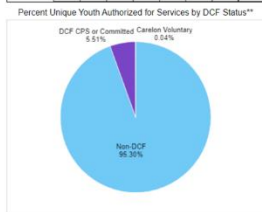
ASD Medicaid Youth Demographics as of 03/05/2024

"Unknown" defined as individuals who do not identify their race/ethnicity at time of Medicaid application.



Total Unique Youth Authorized for Services by DCF Status and Region**

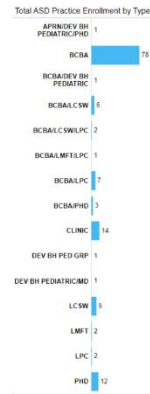
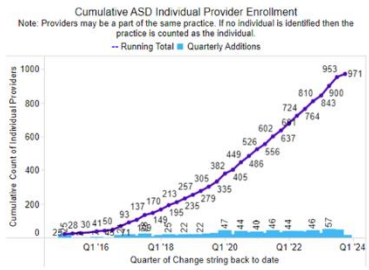
	Unknown	Region 1	Region 2	Region 3	Region 4	Region 5	Region 6	Grand Total
Carelon Voluntary								
DCF CPS or Committed		35	77	58	95	95	61	409
Non-DCF	9	935	1,128	859	1,565	1,480	1,175	7,073
Grand Total	9	967	1,192	918	1,648	1,565	1,234	7,422



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ASD Provider Enrollment as of 03/05/2024

986 Individual providers able to oversee Autism treatment services.	141 Total number of agencies enrolled	1,051 Providers are able to provide any ASD services.
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Chapter

02

Carelon ASD Care Coordination & Peer Specialist Supports

ASD Care Coordination and Peer Specialist Activity

Referral List Status as of: 02/12/2024

Ongoing Peer and Care-Coordination Activities: Total Count of Unique Youth by Connecting to Services Reason
 ■ DCF ■ Non-DCF, Excludes Temp IDs

