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Impact of Alcohol Use Disorders on Health and Costs in RI

CLINICAL STRATEGY COMMITTEE FEBRUARY 15, 2024

Agenda

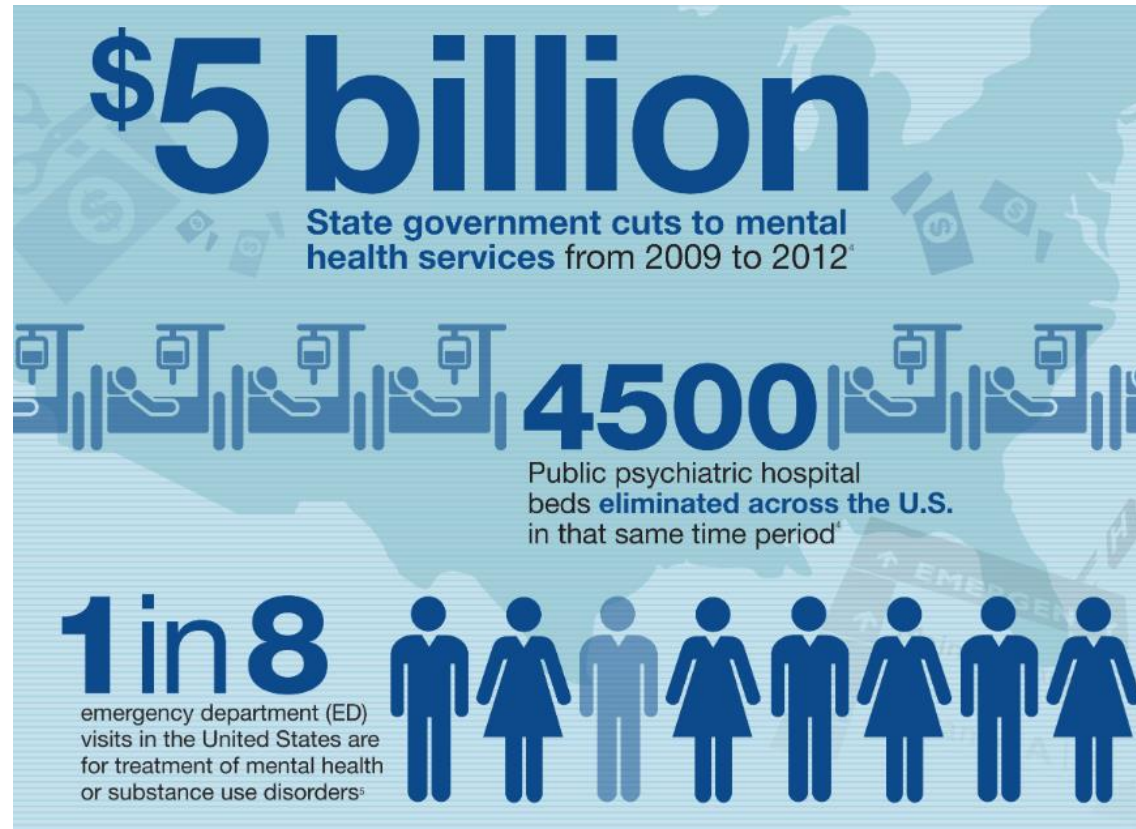
Item	Time
<p>Welcome & Announcements Pano Yeracaris, MD, MPH, Chief Clinical Strategist, CTC-RI</p>	5 min
<p>Rhode Island Alcohol Proposal Moderator: Andrew Saal, MD MPH, Public Health Consultant Barry Fabius, Chief Medical Officer, UnitedHealthcare Community Plan of Rhode Island</p> <p>Thundermist Health Center Matt Roman, MBA, LICSW, Chief Operating Officer, Thundermist Health Center Elizabeth Lynch, LICSW, AVP of Behavioral Health and Social Services Christopher McManus, MHA, CSSBB, EMHL, FACHE, Program Director, Value-Based Care</p>	40 min
<p>Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHC) Discussion Marti Rosenberg, Director of Policy, Planning, and Research, Executive Office of Health and Human Services Amy Hulberg, Medicaid Policy Director, Rhode Island Executive Office of Health and Human Services</p> <p>Discussion & Questions</p>	45 min

Objectives

1. Reflect on the impact of alcohol use disorders in health and healthcare costs in Rhode Island and discuss
2. Learn about plans for Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs) in Rhode Island
3. Consider opportunities to leverage CCBHC partnerships with primary care systems of care

American Healthcare 101

- Historically, funding has varied with the priorities of each federal administration
- Reimbursement model is based on *episodic*, not longitudinal care
- The Behavioral and Medical systems in the United States are both highly fragmented
- And... they don't communicate well with each other



- Grainger Healthcare

Behavioral Health? Think Medicaid

Medicaid pays for ~25% of all mental health services in the US. ¹

Medicaid is the largest payer of mental health care in the country. ²

Medicaid covers a disproportionate number of patients with SPMI and substance abuse conditions than commercial insurance.

Adult Medicaid beneficiaries are 90% more likely to have conditions such as major depression or schizophrenia ³

¹ Mark TL, Yee T, Levit KR, Camacho-Cook J, Cutler E, Carroll CD. Insurance financing increased for mental health conditions but not for substance use disorders, 1986–2014. *Health Aff (Millwood)*. 2016; 35(6):958–65.

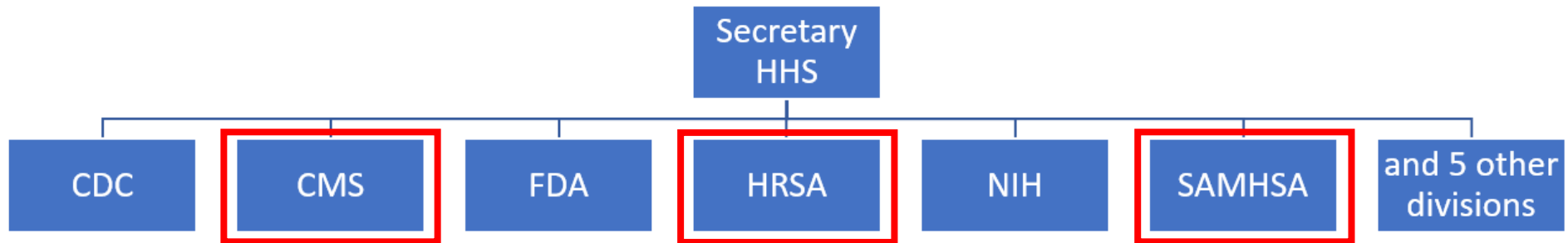
² Mark TL, Levit KR, Yee T, Chow CM. Spending on mental and substance use disorders projected to grow more slowly than all health spending through 2020. *Health Aff (Millwood)*. 2014;33(8):1407–15.

³ Medicaid and CHIP Payment and Access Commission. Report to Congress on Medicaid and CHIP [Internet]. Washington (DC): MACPAC; 2021 Jun [cited 2022 Dec 6]. Available from: <https://www.macpac.gov/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/June-2021-Report-to-Congress-on-Medicaid-and-CHIP.pdf>

Separation of Mind and Body

For better or worse, the concept is now hardwired into:

- Western Philosophy
- Federal and State Bureaucracies
- Medical Education
- Healthcare Financing



What could possibly go wrong?

Who Would Have Thought That Health Care Could Be So Complicated?

- **Social Stigma**
- **Parallel delivery systems that don't communicate easily or well**
- **Fragmented financing and regulatory oversight**
- **Fragmented payor mechanisms**
 - Heavily Medicaid... with many “dual-eligible” patients (Medicare + Medicaid)
 - Complex billing pathways
 - Expensive chronic conditions and medications
 - *Frequent ER over-utilization and hospitalization secondary to...*

Human Behavior in Complex Healthcare Systems

- Whenever a person cannot easily access primary care services, the path of least resistance is to go to...
- Whenever a person faces a barrier to one of the social determinants of health, the path of least resistance is to go to...
- And if they don't have access to reliable transportation, they...



Alcohol Use Disorders and Population Health





Rhode Island AE Inpatient and Emergency Room Trends

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Summary

Inpatient

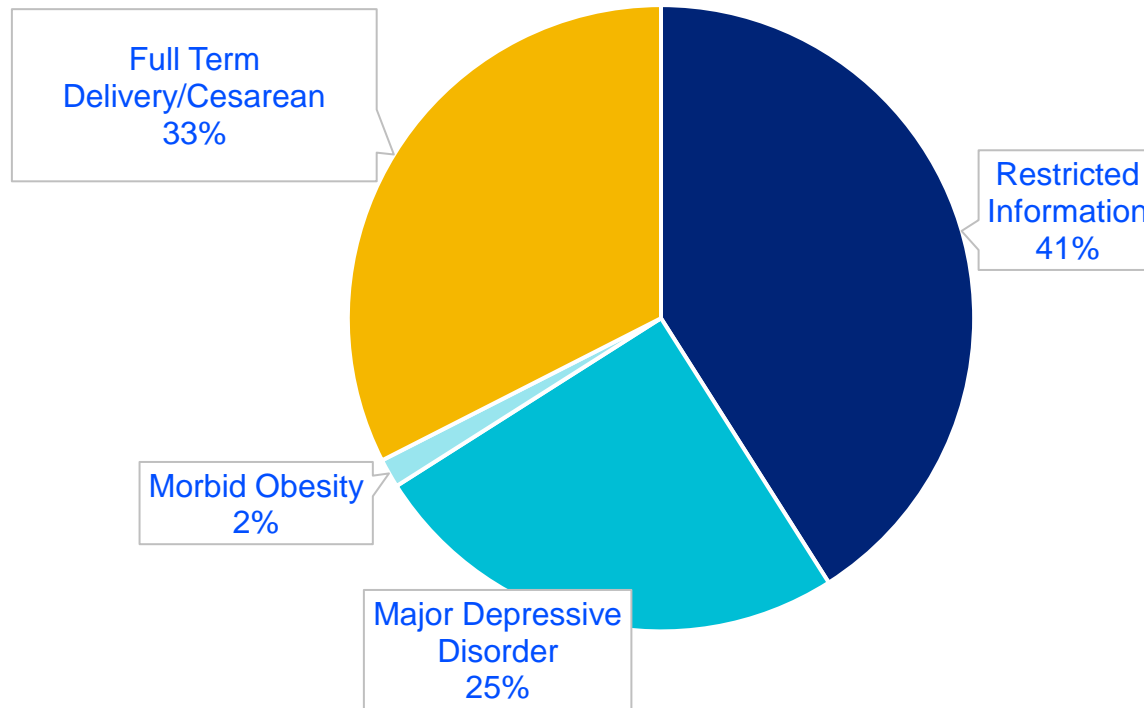
- ❑ Total of 5,888 Admits in 2023 across 6 Rhode Island Accountable Entities
- ❑ 17% were Readmits within 30 Days

Emergency Room

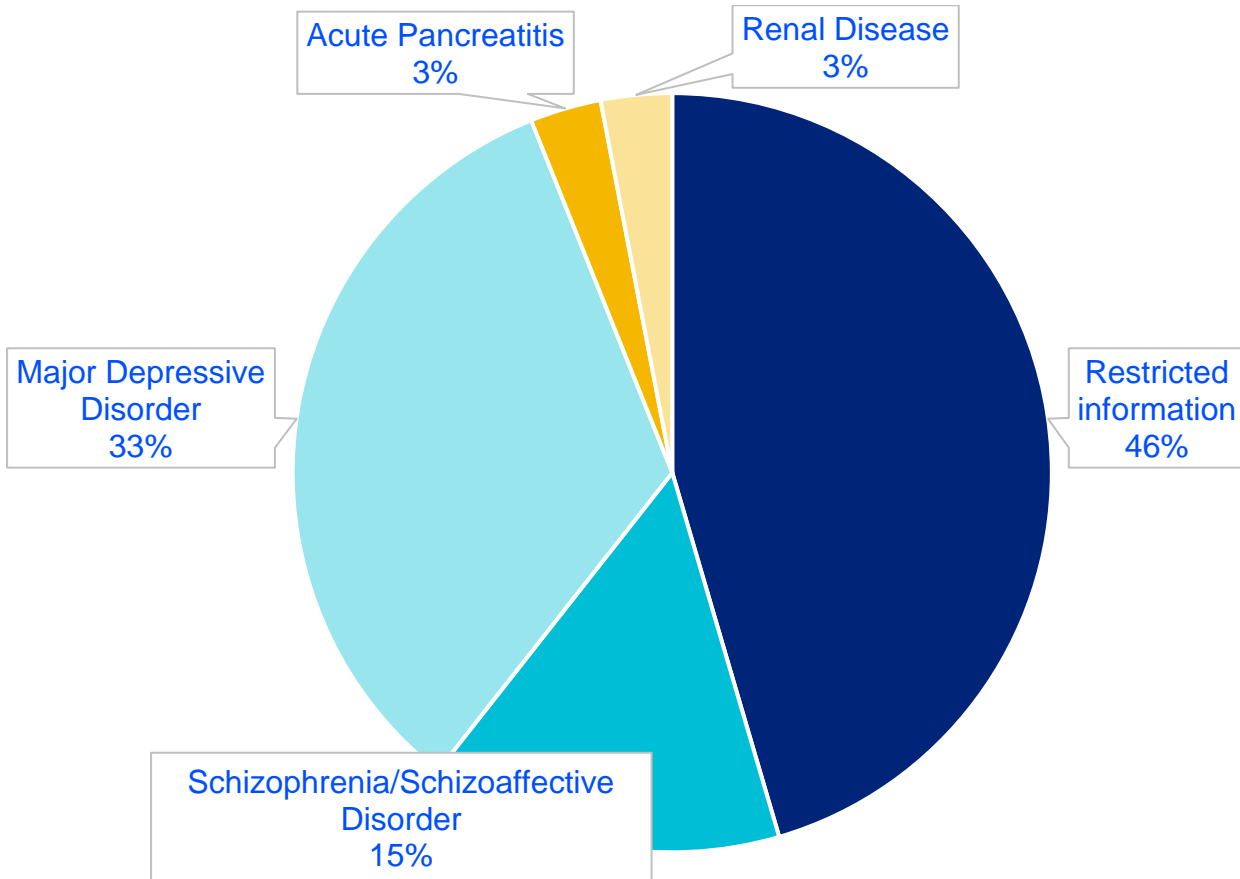
- ❑ 24,989 Emergency Room Visits
- ❑ 5% were Avoidable ER Visits



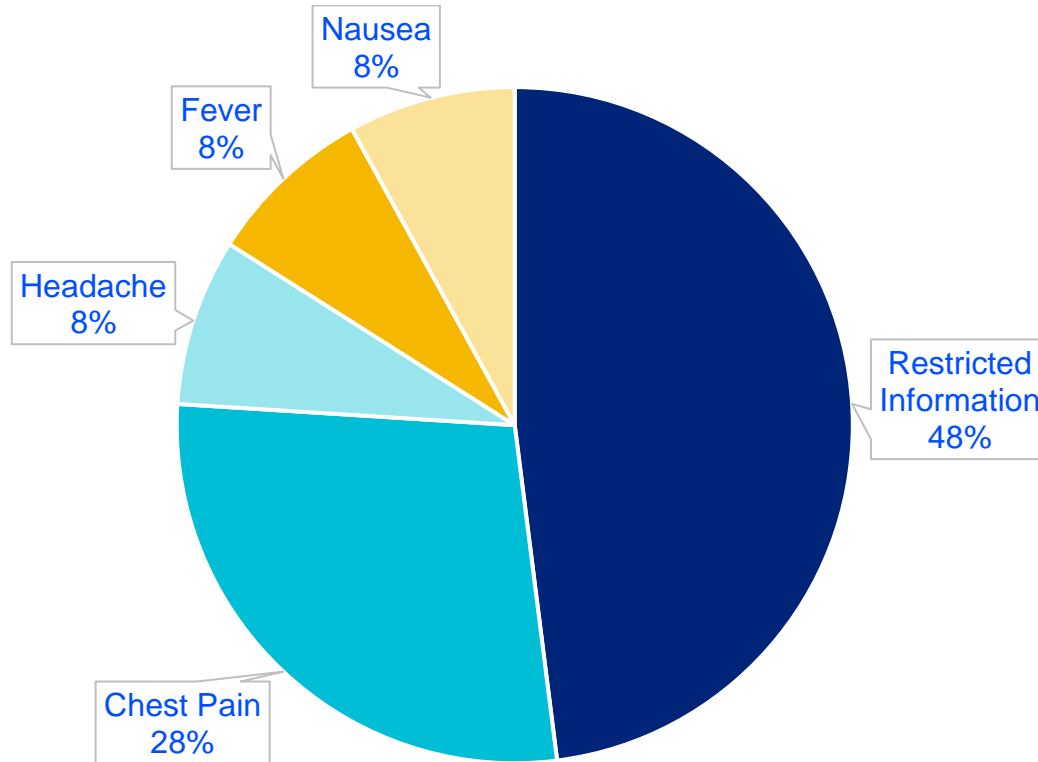
Top Admits by Diagnosis



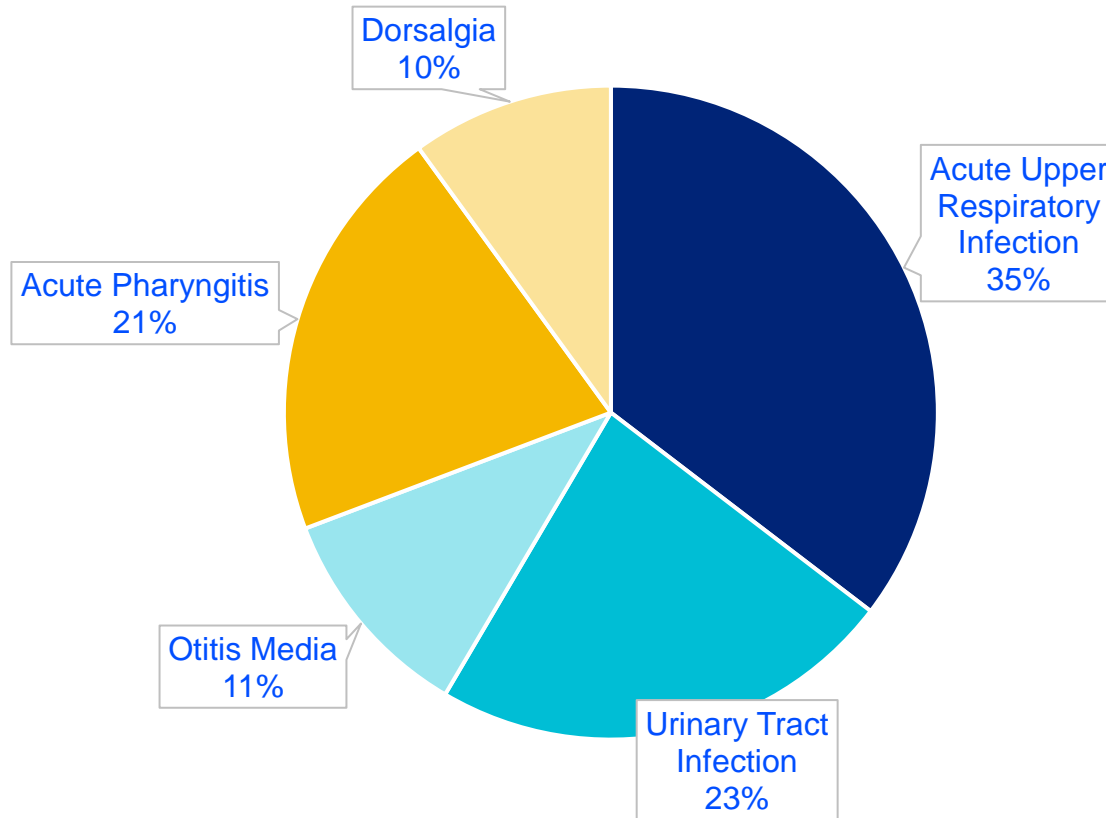
Top Readmissions within 30 Days by Diagnosis



Top ER Visits by Diagnoses



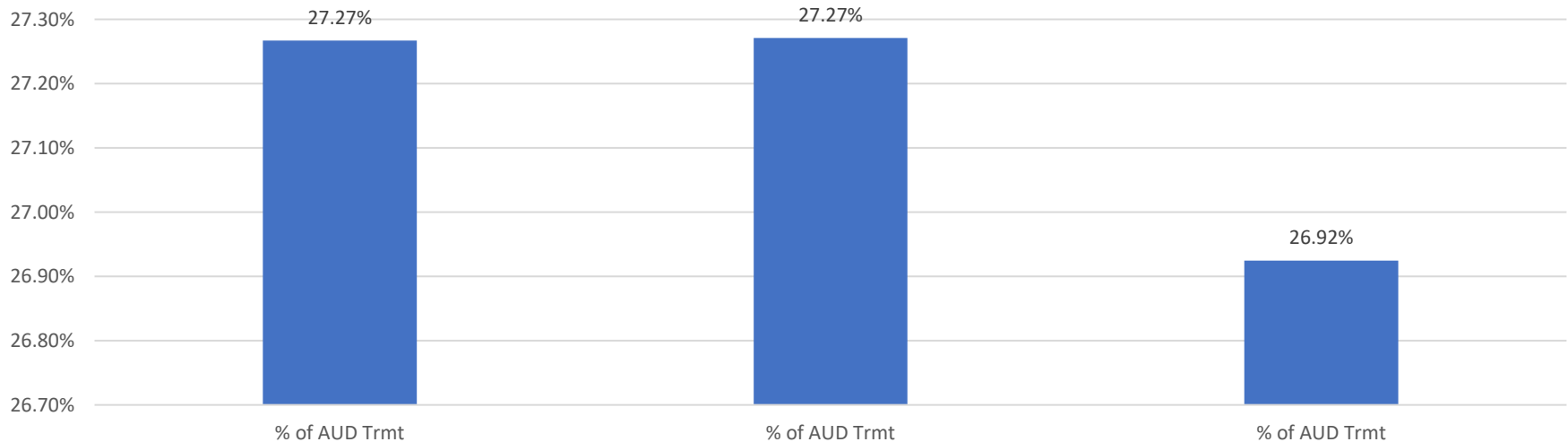
Top Avoidable ER Visits by Diagnosis



AUD w/Treatment

C&S Codes	Q42020 - Q32021			Q42021 - Q32022			Q42022 - Q32023		
	Total AUD	AUD w Trmt	% of AUD Trmt	Total AUD	AUD w Trmt	% of AUD Trmt	Total AUD	AUD w Trmt	% of AUD Trmt
UHGR1	4,951	1,350	27.27%	4,987	1,360	27.27%	5,430	1,462	26.92%

% of AUD Diagnosed Members Receiving Treatment



High Utilizers (reviewed 100 cases)

- Reviewed members with 2 or more IP admissions with a "restricted information" diagnosis
 - 80% had AUD
- Reviewed members with 3 or more ER admissions with a "restricted information" diagnosis
 - 100% had AUD ER admits



A Pervasive Problem

Alcohol use disorders are linked to some of the most frequent conditions treated in emergency rooms – particularly ambulatory sensitive conditions (ASC) – medical and behavioral conditions potentially better treated in outpatient facilities instead of emergency rooms^{1,2}

Even when alcohol is not listed as the main reason for an emergency room visit, it is often **“the cause behind the cause”** of the patient’s acute condition^{2,3}

1 LaCalle E, Rabin E. *Frequent users of emergency departments: the myths, the data, and the policy implications*. Ann Emerg Med. 2010;56(1):42–8.

[https://www.annemergmed.com/article/S0196-0644\(10\)00105-8/fulltext](https://www.annemergmed.com/article/S0196-0644(10)00105-8/fulltext)

2 Giannouchos TV, Kum H-C, Foster MJ, Ohsfeldt RL. *Characteristics and predictors of adult frequent emergency department users in the United States: a systematic literature review*. J Eval Clin Pract. 2019;25(3):420–33.

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/10.1111/jep.13137>

3 Pham JC, Bayram JD, Moss DK. *Characteristics of frequent users of three hospital emergency departments*. Agency for Healthcare Research and Quality; 2017. <https://www.ahrq.gov/patient-safety/settings/emergency-dept/frequent-use.html>



HEALTH BY NUMBERS

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PUBLIC HEALTH

Deaths Involving Fully Alcohol-Attributable Chronic Conditions in Rhode Island: 2018–2022

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3.5% of all deaths are **directly** attributable to alcohol, an average of 367 deaths per year between 2018 – 2022

This number underestimates the total since alcohol-*related* chronic diseases were not included in this survey

The number of deaths directly attributable to alcohol has increased among women and individuals 65+

A disproportionate burden of deaths involves veterans and individuals who are divorced/separated

Additional Costs When Someone with a Chronic Disease Also Has a Co-Occurring Mental Health Disorder

	PPPY Without MH	PPPY With MH	Cost of Co-Occurring Condition ¹⁰
Heart Condition	\$4,697	\$6,919	+ \$2,222
High Blood Pressure	\$3,481	\$5,492	+ \$2,011
Asthma	\$2,908	\$4,028	+ \$1,120
Diabetes	\$4,172	\$5,559	+ \$1,387

10. Corso, K.A., Hunter, C.L., Dahl, O., Kallenberg, G.A and Manson, L. (2016) **Integrating Behavioral Health into the Medical Home: A Rapid Implementation Guide.**

Healthcare Systems Sharing Patient Information - 2024



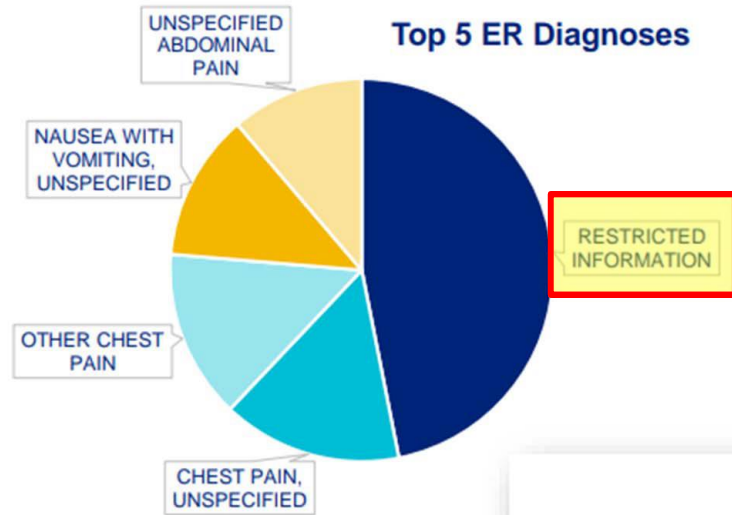


*Alcohol and SUD impacts in
ED and Inpatient Utilization for
Thundermist Accountable Entity*

January 2024

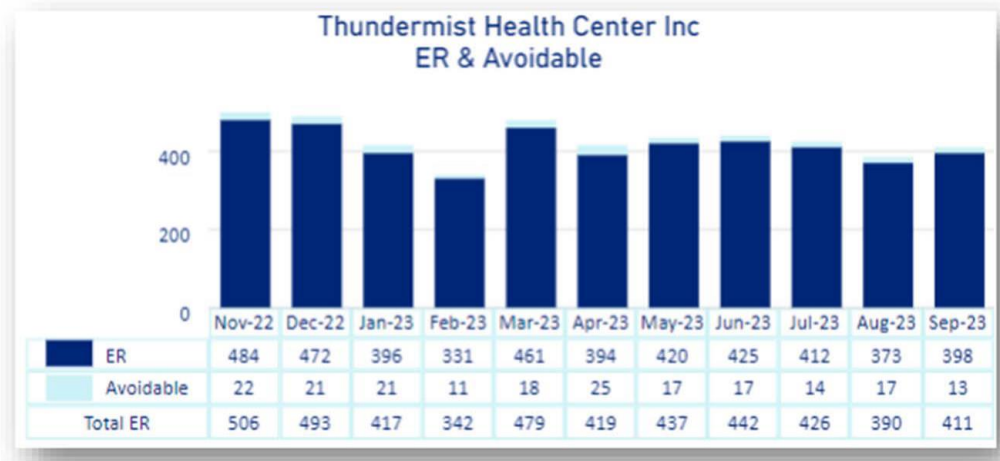
Thundermist/UHC ED Utilization

Total Population: ~7,915 patients / Dates of Service: 10/18/2022 to 10/08/2023



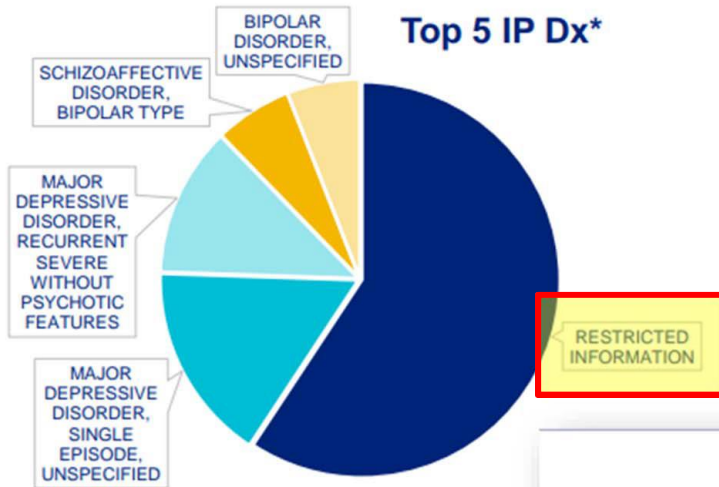
Observations:

- 38 members with 10 or more ER visits
- Members with 10 or more visits accounted for 726 ER visits
- 702 ER Visits for Restricted Information, MI, SUD Dx – accounting for 14% of the total ER Visits
- Avoidable ER 4%



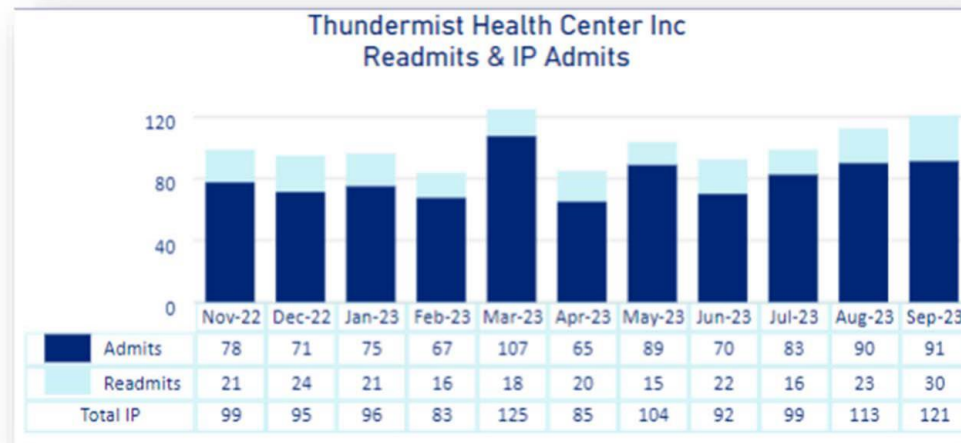
Thundermist/UHC Inpatient Utilization

Total Population: ~7,915 patients / Dates of Service: 10/18/2022 to 10/08/2023



Observations:

- 1229 Total IP Admissions
- Top 5 IP Dx are Restricted and Mental Illness
- 92 Admissions for Ambulatory Care Sensitive Conditions. Top 3 Conditions – COPD, Pneumonia, Acute Kidney Failure.
- 10 Members with 10 or more admissions accounted for 138 total admissions



Thundermist/NHPRI ED Utilization

Total Population: ~19,110 patients / Dates of Service: July 2022 to June 20, 2023

Table SummER 1.1: Top 10 Diagnosis Categories Driving ER Volume

Diagnosis Category	# Visits	# Members	Total Paid	Average Paid/Visit
Abdominal pain & other digestive/abdomen symptoms	611	506	\$442,804	\$725
Sprains and strains, initial encounter	436	417	\$211,341	\$485
Alcohol-related disorders	433	206	\$286,997	\$663
Nonspecific chest pain	367	325	\$273,270	\$745
Superficial injury; contusion, initial encounter	364	349	\$208,094	\$572
Musculoskeletal pain, not low back pain	350	324	\$189,797	\$542
Other specified upper respiratory infections	304	285	\$158,089	\$520
Viral infection	294	268	\$148,524	\$505
Other specified complications in pregnancy	264	164	\$155,411	\$589
Headache; including migraine	261	206	\$184,524	\$707

Table SummER 3.1: Top 5 Diagnosis Categories Driving ER Volume Among the Mentally Ill

Diagnosis Category	# Visits	# Members	Total Paid	Average Paid/Visit
Alcohol-related disorders	383	166	\$257,728	\$673
Abdominal pain and other digestive/abdomen signs and symptoms	339	268	\$254,058	\$749
Nonspecific chest pain	211	186	\$163,639	\$776
Sprains and strains, initial encounter	196	181	\$102,369	\$522
Headache; including migraine	171	126	\$124,434	\$728

Alcohol use disorder is always our 2nd highest cost driving diagnosis and often our 1st or 2nd frequency driver for our NHP Population.

Thundermist/NHPRI Inpatient Utilization

Total Population: ~19,110 patients / Dates of Service: July 2022 to June 20, 2023

Table SummIP 1.1: Top 10 Diagnosis Categories Driving Medical Hospital Admissions

Diagnosis Category	# Admissions	# Members	Total Paid	Average Paid/Admission
Liveborn	236	236	\$352,763	\$1,495
Alcohol-related disorders	68	34	\$775,988	\$11,412
Prolonged pregnancy	51	51	\$349,406	\$6,851
Septicemia	49	47	\$1,124,308	\$22,945
Hypertension with complications and secondary hypertension	39	36	\$568,102	\$14,567
Diabetes mellitus with complication	39	26	\$372,848	\$9,560
Obesity	36	36	\$334,351	\$9,288
Complications specified during childbirth	34	34	\$244,180	\$7,182
Previous C-section	32	32	\$255,449	\$7,983
Epilepsy; convulsions	31	23	\$298,914	\$9,642

Table SummIP 2.1: Top 5 Diagnosis Categories Driving Medical Hospital Readmissions

Diagnosis Category	# Admissions	# Members	Total Paid	Average Paid/Admission
Alcohol-related disorders	21	8	\$247,793	\$11,800
Septicemia	7	7	\$140,430	\$20,061
Respiratory failure; insufficiency; arrest	6	6	\$110,753	\$18,459
Diabetes mellitus with complication	6	5	\$56,674	\$9,446
Epilepsy; convulsions	6	4	\$53,159	\$8,860

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Questions?

Limited Information Exchange

- EHRs don't talk to each other
- **HIPAA** is the foundation of privacy
- **42-CFR** provides a higher-level of privacy for BH and SUD conditions

Net sum – Information doesn't flow easily to primary care



Trying to Bridge the Data Divide

Allows CurrentCare to Facilitate Sharing of Certain BH / SUD Information:

- Diagnoses
- Medications
- Allergies
- Admissions / Discharges
- But *NOT* therapy notes

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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND

IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

JANUARY SESSION, A.D. 2023

A N A C T

RELATING TO BEHAVIORAL HEALTHCARE, DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES AND HOSPITALS -- MENTAL HEALTH LAW

Introduced By: Representatives Kislak, Tanzi, Potter, McNamara, Alzate, Bennett, Edwards, Cotter, and Sanchez

Date Introduced: February 17, 2023

Referred To: House Judiciary

**Signed into law in 2023.
Now in rules-making process...**

CTC-RI Alcohol Grant Proposal

Goals

- Foster dialogue between community partners and patients
- Share best practices
- Increase primary care resiliency to better manage patients with substance use disorders

Format – A Series of Virtual Discussions

- Primary Care Practices
- Community Partnerships
- Value-Based Care Organizations and Hospitals/First Responders
- Housing and SDOH Organizations

**Identify and describe barriers and best practices.
Develop curriculum for a training series**



Innovation and Hope



The Payment Mechanism Matters

- Fee-for-Service Is **Inflationary** and **Amplifies** Healthcare Disparities.
- Value-Based Care Empowers Population Health Strategies...
- And Vice-Versa

Medicaid Dollar Expenditures



Long Term Care Facilities



Hospitals and Specialty



Pharmacy



Primary Care

Integrated Behavioral Health !



- IBH is a core strategy of value-based care
- “SBIRT” strategy - Universal screening for depression, anxiety, substance abuse
- Embedded counselor within the primary care clinic (warm hand-offs or expedited referral)
- CBT – Focused on resiliency and prevention

SBIRT = Screening, Brief Intervention, and Referral to Treatment

By Lisa S. Rotenstein, Samuel T. Edwards, and Bruce E. Landon

Adult Primary Care Physician Visits Increasingly Address Mental Health Concerns

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Cause or Effect?

Visits that addressed mental health concerns increased from 10 percent in 2006 to 16 percent by 2016.

Black patients were 40 percent less likely than White patients to have a mental health concern addressed during a primary care visit

Hispanic patients were 40 percent less likely than non-Hispanic patients to have a mental health concern addressed during a primary care visit.

Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs)



Map of CCBHCs Across the United States (as of March 6, 2023)

Currently, there are over 500 CCBHCs operating across the country, as either CCBHC-E grantees, as clinics participating in their states' Medicaid demonstration, or as a part of independent state CCBHC programs.

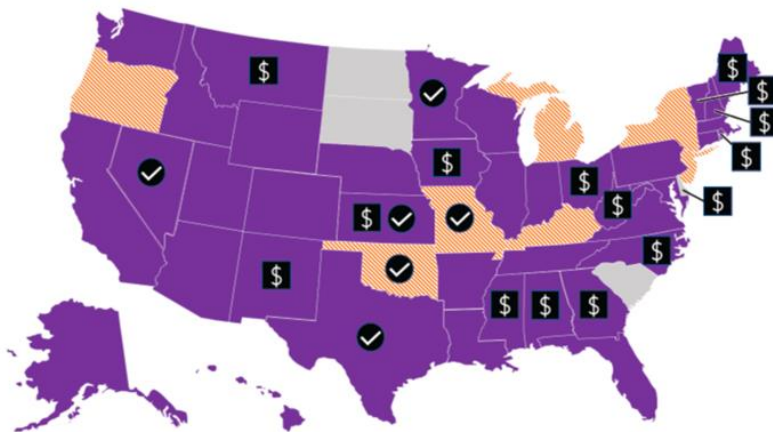
What Is a CCBHC?

Website


<https://www.samhsa.gov/certified-community-behavioral-health-clinics>


Quick Video


<https://youtu.be/OzBUpyIEBpU>



 Federal CCBHC Medicaid Demonstration (And SAMHSA Expansion Grants)

 CMS-approved payment method for CCBHCs via a SPA or 1115 waiver separate from Demonstration

 State contains at least one local SAMHSA expansion grantee in the state

 Chosen to receive one-year planning grant needed to join Medicaid Demonstration starting in March 2023



Rhode Island Health and Human Services Certified Community Behavioral Health Centers (CCBHCs)

CTC-RI Clinical Strategy Committee Meeting
February 16, 2024

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Agenda

Introduction

**Background:
Rhode Island's Continuum
of Care & the Rhode
Island Behavioral Health
System Review**

**Certified Community
Behavioral Health
Clinics (CCBHCs)
Components**

**Discussion: Integration
of CCBHCs and Primary
Care**

Food for Thought

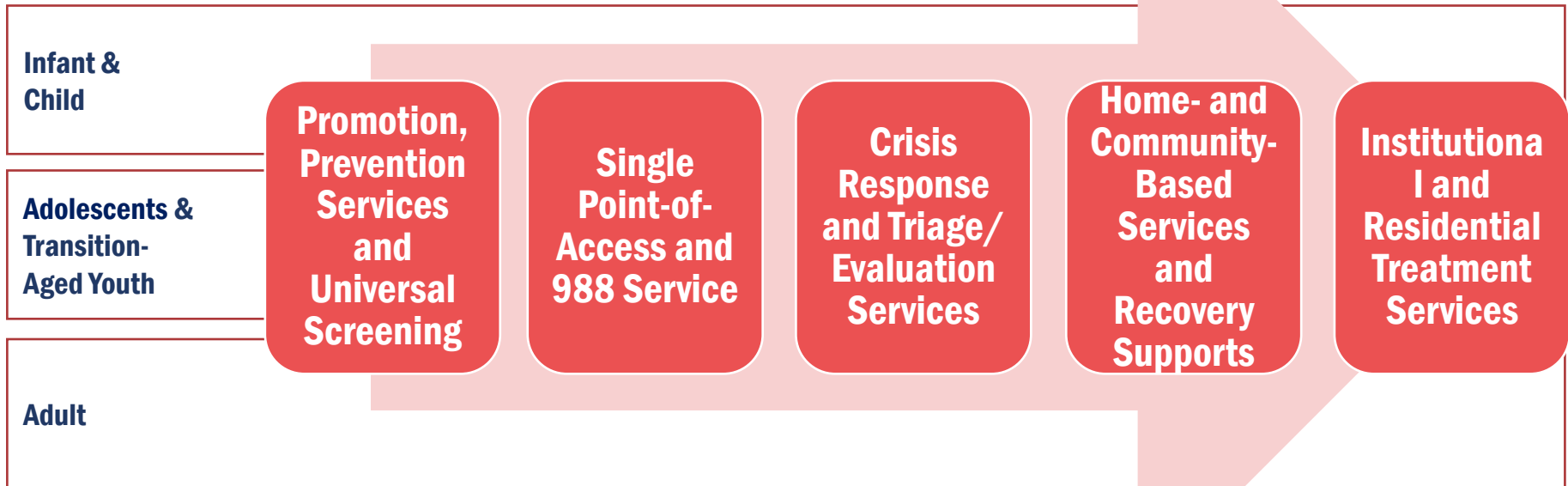
These are the questions that we are looking forward to discuss at the end of the meeting – we encourage you to think about these as we present.

1. If you could wave a magic wand, how can CCBHCs help you to better serve your patients?
2. What information do you need most? How can we better help you understand the CCBHC model?
3. How can we support you and your clients to connect with CCBHCs when appropriate?
4. What are best practices for the CCBHCs in terms of ongoing collaboration and coordination with primary care providers?
 - a. Ideal referral pathways?
 - b. Information exchange needs?
 - c. Care coordination processes?
5. Is there anything else that's top of mind for you and/or that you'd strongly encourage us to consider as we continue to build and strengthen the CCBHC program?

Rhode Island Vision of a Behavioral Health Continuum of Care

Equity and Inclusion, Quality and Capacity Management, and Social Determinants of Health

Care Coordination, Physical/Behavioral Health Integration, and Workforce Development



Rhode Island Behavioral Health System Review

Initial Focus:

1. System Concerns
2. Gaps
3. Significant Shortages
4. Moderate Shortages
5. Slight Shortage

Problem Diagnosis: Major Identified Gaps and Shortages in the Continuum of Care

1. Summary

Gap indicates that there was no evidence in our qualitative or quantitative analysis of the service existing in Rhode Island.

Shortage indicates that while some level of service exists it is not adequate to meet the need of Rhode Islanders with BH/SUD conditions.

	Gaps	Mobile Crisis Treatment
Mental Health Services for Adults and Older Adults	Significant Shortages	Community Step Down Hospital Diversion State Sponsored Institutional Services Nursing Home Residential
	Moderate Shortages	Non-CMHC Outpatient Providers Intensive Outpatient Programs Dual Diagnosis Treatment Crisis/Emergency Care Inpatient Treatment Home Care Homeless Outreach
	Slight Shortage	Licensed Community Mental Health Center tied to accessibility statewide
	Gaps	Mobile MAT
Substance Use Services for Adults and Older Adults	Significant Shortages	Indicated Prevention Correctional SUD Transitional Services Recovery Housing Residential – High & Low Intensity*
	Moderate Shortages	Intensive Outpatient Services Supported Employment

	Gaps	Community Step Down Transition Age Youth Services Residential Treatment for Eating Disorders**
Continuum of Care for BH for Children	Significant Shortages	Universal BH Prevention Services Hospital Diversion State Sponsored Institutional Services Nursing Home Residential/Housing**
	Moderate Shortages	SUD Treatment Enhanced Outpatient Services Home and Community Based Services Mobile Crisis
	Slight Shortage	Emergency Services

Key Message: The gap in inpatient/acute services appears to be driven by the lack of crisis intervention and community wrap around support and prevention. Our recommendation is not to build additional inpatient capacity, rather to invest resources in better community support to alleviate the bottleneck for the existing inpatient beds.

System Concern Due to Gaps

1. Access to children's BH services is significant challenge for RI families, and for RI providers trying to match treatment level need with available capacity.
2. RI'ers often struggle to access residential and hospital levels of care for mental health and substance use.
3. Capacity and access to prescribers within behavioral health treatment services is mixed.
4. Crisis services are difficult to access.
5. Access to counseling and other professional services in the community is mixed.
6. Access to prevention services is inconsistent and under-funded.

*Between Aug-Dec 2020, between 55-108 people were waiting for residential services.

**Between May-Dec 2020, between 5-31 children and adolescents were waiting for residential svcs.



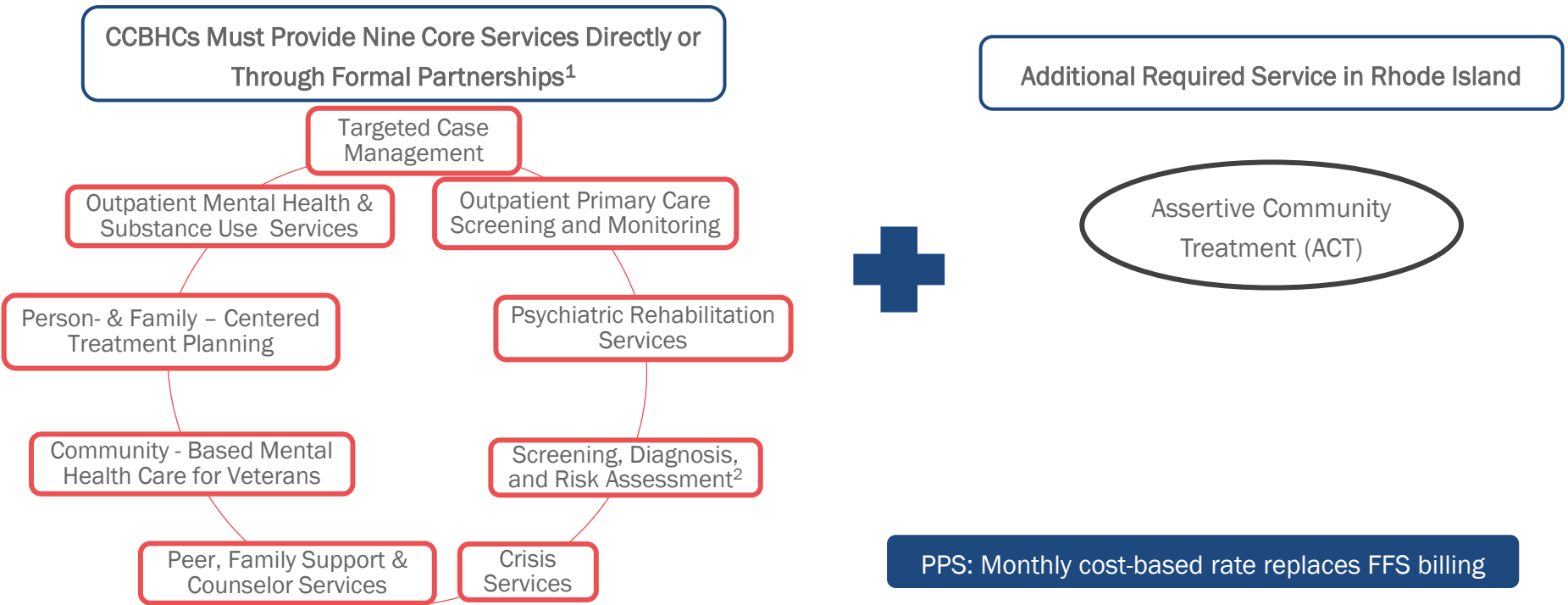
Documentation of qualitative and/or quantitative findings related to gaps and shortages are available in Section 4 of this report.

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Overview: Certified Community Behavioral Health Clinics (CCBHCs), Designated Collaborating Organizations (DCOs), and other partnerships

What are CCBHCs?

CCBHC is a federally defined service delivery model that provides a comprehensive range of coordinated mental health and substance use services.



¹Services can be provided by *either* the CCBHC or the DCO, with at least 51% directly provided by the CCBHC

²Beginning July 1, 2024, this includes HIV and HEP screenings

CCBHC Populations of Focus and RI's Priority Populations

CCBHCs are required to serve anyone who requests care for mental health or substance use, regardless of their ability to pay, place of residence, or age - including developmentally appropriate care for children and youth.

Populations of Focus:

- Adults with severe and persistent mental illness (SPMI)
- Children and youth with severe emotional disorders (SED)
- Individuals with substance use disorders (SUD)

RI's Priority Populations:

- Black, Indigenous, People of Color (BIPOC); people with co-occurring Behavioral Health/Intellectual/Development Disabilities; older adults; transition-age youth; people who identify as LGBTQ+; individuals who are justice involved; adults and families who are unhoused; and those from historically under-resourced communities

RI CCBHC Program Requirements

SAMHSA identified the following six program requirements for CCBHCs that States must refine, with descriptions of their scope.

- 1. Staffing:** Community Needs Assessment, general staffing requirements, licensure, credentialing, cultural and linguistic competency and confidentiality.
- 2. Availability and Accessibility of Services:** Timely access, comprehensive evaluation, access to crisis management, no refusal of services due to inability to pay and regardless of residence.
- 3. Care Coordination:** Required Care Coordination partners and activities.
- 4. Scope of Services:** See the nine required services
- 5. Quality and other reporting:** Data collection, tracking, reporting and analytics; Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) functions.
- 6. Organizational authority, Governance, and Accreditation:** Community/Consumer Advisory Councils (CACs).

Key Health Conditions: Screening Requirements for CCBHCs

The CCBHC Medical Director will develop organizational protocols to **ensure screenings for people receiving services who are at risk for common physical health conditions** experienced by CCBHC populations across the lifespan.

Protocols will include:

- Identifying people receiving services with chronic diseases;
- Ensuring that people receiving services are asked about physical health symptoms; and
- Establishing systems for collecting and analyzing laboratory samples (i.e., the CCBHC should have the ability to collect biologic samples directly, through a DCO, or through protocols with an independent clinical lab organization).

The CCBHC must also coordinate with the primary care provider to ensure that screenings occur for the identified conditions. If the person receiving services' primary care provider conducts the necessary screening and monitoring, the CCBHC is not required to do so as long as it has a record of the screening and monitoring, and the results of any tests that address the health conditions included in the CCBHCs screening and monitoring protocols developed.

Primary Care Monitoring Requirements for CCBHCs

The CCBHC will provide ongoing primary care monitoring of health conditions as identified in the CCBHC SAMSHA standards, and as clinically indicated for the individual. Monitoring includes the following:

1. Ensuring individuals have access to primary care services;
2. Ensuring ongoing periodic laboratory testing and physical measurement of health status indicators and changes in the status of chronic health conditions;
3. Coordinating care with primary care and specialty health providers including tracking attendance at needed physical health care appointments; and
4. Promoting a healthy behavior lifestyle.

Note: The provision of primary care services, outside of primary care screening and monitoring as defined in the standards are not within the scope of the nine required CCBHC services. CCBHC organizations may provide primary care services outside the nine required services, but these primary care services cannot be reimbursed through the Section 223 CCBHC demonstration PPS.

CCBHC Evidence-Based Practices (EBPs) and Programs

- **Required EBPs for Adult and Children:** Motivational Interviewing; Cognitive Behavioral Therapy; Dialectic Behavioral Therapy; Family Psychoeducation; Screening, Brief Intervention and referral to treatment (SBIRT); Coordinated Specialty Care (CSC); Integrated Dual Diagnosis treatment; Trauma Informed Care; and Zero Suicide
- **Required EBPs for Adults:** Assertive Community Treatment (ACT); Permanent Supported Housing/Housing First; Individual Placement and Support (IPS); Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT); and 12 Steps Facilitation Therapy.
- **Required for EBPs for Children:** Mobile Response and Stabilization Services (MRSS); and Seven Challenges.
- **Training, Coaching, and Fidelity requirements**

CCBHC Quality Measurement – Clinic Collected Measures

CCBHCs and States are required to report specific federal measures which will be used to assess how care is provided and accessed, and to ensure quality improvement.

There are five CCBHC clinic-collected measures:

1. Time to services (I-SERV)
2. Depression remission after 6 months (DEP-REM-6)
3. Preventive care and screening for unhealthy alcohol use (ASC)
4. Screening for depression and follow-up plan (CDF-CH and CDF-AD)
5. Screening for social drivers of health (SDOH)

CCBHC Quality Measurement – State Collected Measures

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There are 13 CCBHC State collected measures:

1. Patient experience of care survey
2. Youth/family experience of care survey
3. Adherence to antipsychotic meds for individuals with schizophrenia
4. Follow-up after hospitalization for Mental illness ages 12 to 17
5. Follow-up after hospitalization for Mental illness ages 18+
6. Initiation and engagement of alcohol and other drug dependence treatment
7. Follow-up after Emergency Department visits for Mental Illness
8. Follow-up after Emergency Department visits for alcohol and other drug dependence
9. Plan all cause readmission rates.
10. Follow-up care for children prescribed ADHD meds.
11. Antidepressant medication management.
12. Use of pharmacotherapy for opioid use disorder.
13. Hemoglobin A1C control for patients with diabetes.

CCBHC Quality Measurement – Sample Performance Measures

CCBHCs are required to report on specific additional performance measures to indicate compliance with the CCBHC certification standards.

Other CCBHC performance measures, e.g.:

1. Mobile Crisis response time.
2. Contact with hospital discharges within 24 hours.
3. Urgent appointment time within 24 hours and routine within 7 business days.
4. Tracking and CQI plans for deaths by suicide and attempts, fatal and non-fatal overdoses, all case mortality, and 30-day hospital readmissions.
5. All individuals receive primary care screening.

What is a DCO?

- **Designated Collaborating Organization (DCO):** A DCO is an entity that is engaged in a formal relationship with the CCBHC and delivers services under the oversight of the CCBHC, to help them provide the services they are required to carry out.
- These DCO arrangements are a way for a CCBHC to ensure services are available to its consumers that it does not provide directly.
 - Payment for DCO services are included within the scope of how the CCBHCs are paid. DCO encounters will be treated as CCBHC encounters for purposes of the PPS.
 - The CCBHC maintains clinical responsibility for the services provided to CCBHC consumers by the DCO.
 - Typically, referrals go from CCBHCs to DCOs, but there are instances where it could go in the other direction for contracted services.

Recruiting RI DCOs: Specialty Services

In Rhode Island, we've focused on recruiting DCOs that have:

- A specific focus on **SUD services, DD services, Veteran services, healthy aging services, children/youth services, AND**
- At least three (3) years of experience offering one or more of a specified set of CCBHC services to either all or a specified subset of the eligible population
- **Plus, we've focused on Equity Partners, who have a demonstrated ability to facilitate the engagement of diverse populations who are impacted by behavioral health conditions in their target communities, thereby helping CCBHCs reduce disparities and promote health equity among the communities they serve as demonstrated by a history of at least three (3) years of service to that community.** These include organizations focused on working with the BIPOC, LGBTQ+, disability, or racial and ethnic minority communities

Care Coordination Partnerships

- CCBHCs are required to provide care coordination services in partnership with appropriate organizations, this can either be with DCOs or Care Coordination Organizations (CCOs).
- Care coordination is:
 - Typically memorialized in agreements between CCBHCs and other providers/social service agencies in their area
 - Meant to enhance the quality of care, improve CCBHC consumers' access to services and create seamless transitions between service settings
- The benefits of a care coordination relationship are achieved primarily through referrals and the exchange of health information and information about the consumer's needs and preferences. They also provide individuals with a more robust array of services outside of the realm of behavioral healthcare including social determinants of health.

CCBHC Go-Live Plan



Go Live Dates for CCBHC Cohorts

Here are the possible go-live dates for which CCBHCs will be eligible, as determined by the State

Cohort	Go-Live Date	Providers who are <u>eligible</u> to participate in each cohort
1	July 1, 2024	Community Care Alliance, Newport Mental Health, and Thrive Behavioral Health
2	Oct 1, 2024	Family Service of RI, Gateway (3 sites), and The Providence Center
3	July 1, 2025	TBD

Discussion Questions

Where your insights are needed

1. If you could wave a magic wand, how can CCBHCs help you to better serve your patients?
2. What information do you need most? How can we better help you understand the CCBHC model?
3. How can we support you and your clients to connect with CCBHCs when appropriate?
4. What are best practices for the CCBHCs in terms of ongoing collaboration and coordination with primary care providers?
 - a. Ideal referral pathways?
 - b. Information exchange needs?
 - c. Care coordination processes?
5. Is there anything else that's top of mind for you and/or that you'd strongly encourage us to consider as we continue to build and strengthen the CCBHC program?

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