



# EXECUTIVE SUMMARY



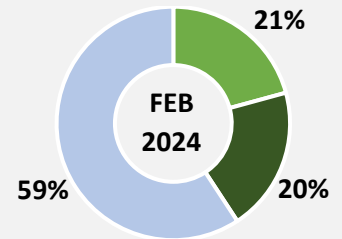
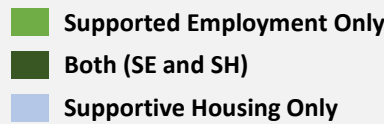
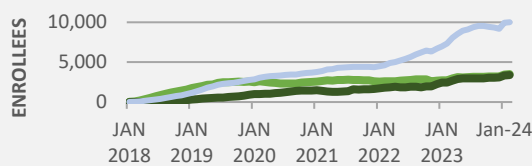
## Washington State's Foundational Community Supports Programs SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

April 15, 2024

FCS ENROLLMENT

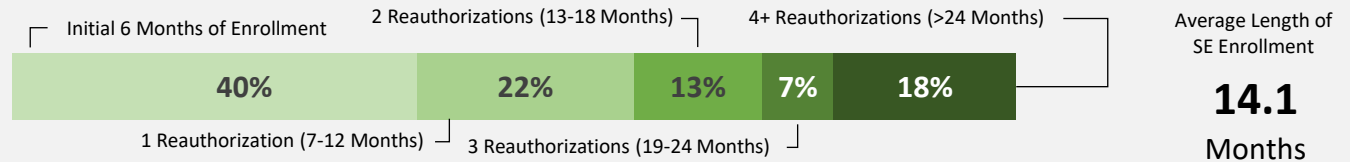
As of February 2024, 41% of all Foundational Community Supports (FCS) participants were enrolled to receive Supported Employment (SE) services only or both SE and Supportive Housing (SH) services.

Participants enrolled to receive SE services were a larger share of FCS enrollees through the first two years of the program (in part due to the lag in available SH providers).



ENROLLMENT LENGTH

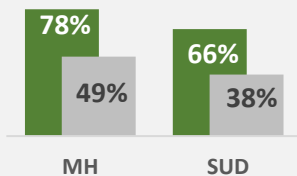
FCS enrollees are authorized to receive services for a six-month period. Services may be reauthorized if a participant continues to need services. We observe at least one reauthorization for 60% of current SE enrollees.



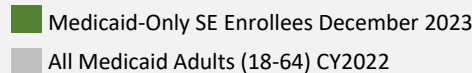
Average Length of SE Enrollment  
**14.1**  
Months

MH/SUD

Penetration Rate



While the FCS program does not provide Mental Health (MH) or Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services, Supported Employment FCS Enrollees have a higher use of MH and SUD services than the general Medicaid population.



COVID-19 IMPACT

Due to COVID-19 related challenges, the number of participants newly enrolling to receive Supported Employment services decreased during the first half of 2020. By the end of 2020 the number of new enrollees had returned to previous levels. The Health Care Authority has strongly encouraged shifting from in-person services to virtual telehealth services by providers, including assessments, which was allowed under the waiver prior to the pandemic.



Follow the link below to make a referral to the Foundational Community Supports program:

[https://provider.amerigroup.com/docs/gpp/WAWA\\_CAID\\_TPA\\_ReferralForm.pdf?v=202005221954](https://provider.amerigroup.com/docs/gpp/WAWA_CAID_TPA_ReferralForm.pdf?v=202005221954)

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# Washington State's Foundational Community Supports Program

## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT

April 15, 2024

This report provides a month-by-month look at Medicaid clients enrolled in the Foundational Community Supports (FCS) Supported Employment program, which began (along with the FCS Supportive Housing program) in January 2018.

*Note: This report describes the enrolled population for a given month and is not intended to be used for evaluation purposes.*

**ELIGIBILITY NOTES**

**Eligibility for Supported Employment.** Medicaid clients age 16 years or older who: 1) have a mental health or substance use treatment need, or 2) are receiving long-term services, or 3) have a complex physical health need and/or physical impairment AND meet one of the following criteria at the time of referral:

- Are enrolled in the Housing and Essential Needs or Aged, Blind and Disabled program.
- Experienced multiple episodes of inpatient substance use treatment over the past two years.
- Engage in behaviors attributed to a behavioral health condition that may result in expulsion from school or termination from employment.
- Are unable to find and maintain employment due to age, physical disability, or traumatic brain injury.

### FCS SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT ENROLLMENT SUMMARY

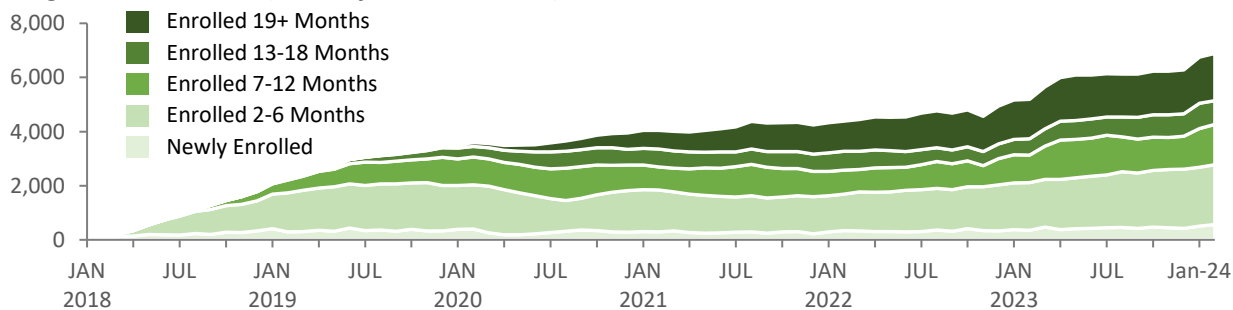
#### Length of Enrollment (Previous 12 Months)

Previous 12 Months	Enrolled in Month	Newly Enrolled <sup>1</sup>		Enrolled for 2-6 Months <sup>2</sup>		Enrolled for 7-12 Months <sup>2</sup>		Enrolled for 13-18 Months <sup>2</sup>		Enrolled for 19+ Months <sup>2</sup>		Avg. Months Enrolled <sup>2</sup>
	NUMBER	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER
MAR	5,655	476	8%	1,758	31%	1,228	22%	641	11%	1,552	27%	14.0
APR	5,995	379	6%	1,850	31%	1,456	24%	697	12%	1,613	27%	14.0
MAY	6,086	408	7%	1,879	31%	1,426	23%	699	11%	1,674	28%	14.2
JUN	6,085	425	7%	1,924	32%	1,405	23%	717	12%	1,614	27%	14.2
JUL	6,133	445	7%	1,958	32%	1,458	24%	682	11%	1,590	26%	14.0
AUG	6,126	460	8%	2,052	33%	1,299	21%	725	12%	1,590	26%	13.9
SEP	6,126	422	7%	2,046	33%	1,253	20%	806	13%	1,599	26%	14.0
OCT	6,231	466	7%	2,092	34%	1,230	20%	829	13%	1,614	26%	14.0
NOV	6,227	446	7%	2,151	35%	1,183	19%	842	14%	1,605	26%	14.1
DEC	6,273	425	7%	2,187	35%	1,221	19%	824	13%	1,616	26%	14.2
2024 JAN	6,755	511	8%	2,171	32%	1,434	21%	930	14%	1,709	25%	14.2
FEB	6,887	566	8%	2,208	32%	1,488	22%	880	13%	1,745	25%	14.1

<sup>1</sup>Only includes participants enrolled in Supported Employment for the very first time.

<sup>2</sup>Results are based on the total number of months over the life of the participant (and are not necessarily consecutive).

#### Length of Enrollment (January 2018 - Present)



#### In February 2024...

- 6,887 participants were enrolled in Supported Employment.
- 566 of these participants were enrolled for the first time in Supported Employment.

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## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - ENROLLMENT CHURN

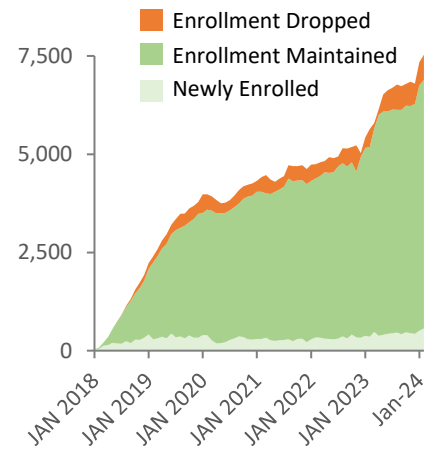
**NOTES**

**Supported Employment Enrollment Notes.**

- Enrollees are authorized for the program in six month segments. If more time or services are needed, FCS providers may submit an Exception to Rule (ETR) for additional time or services.
- Enrollment in the month does not necessarily indicate that any services were received by the enrollee in that month.

### Monthly Enrollment Churn

Previous 12 Months	Enrolled in Month	Newly Enrolled <sup>1</sup>		Enrollment Maintained <sup>2</sup>		Enrollment Dropped <sup>3</sup>	
	NUMBER	NUMBER	PERCENT <sup>4</sup>	NUMBER	PERCENT <sup>4</sup>	NUMBER	PERCENT <sup>5</sup>
MAR	5,655	476	8%	5,179	92%	136	3%
APR	5,995	379	6%	5,616	94%	148	3%
MAY	6,086	408	7%	5,678	93%	431	7%
JUN	6,085	425	7%	5,660	93%	543	9%
JUL	6,133	445	7%	5,688	93%	555	9%
AUG	6,126	460	8%	5,666	92%	643	10%
SEP	6,126	422	7%	5,704	93%	603	10%
OCT	6,231	466	7%	5,765	93%	554	9%
NOV	6,227	446	7%	5,781	93%	620	10%
DEC	6,273	425	7%	5,848	93%	525	8%
2024 JAN	6,755	511	8%	6,244	92%	590	9%
FEB	6,887	566	8%	6,321	92%	646	10%



<sup>1</sup>Only includes participants enrolled in Supported Employment for the very first time.

<sup>2</sup>Includes participants who continue enrollment from the previous month, as well as participants who return after a 1+ month gap in enrollment.

<sup>3</sup>Disenrollments from FCS programs are reported retroactively. Recent enrollment counts will decrease slightly as program data matures.

<sup>4</sup>Denominator is the current month's Enrollee Total.

<sup>5</sup>Denominator is the previous month's Enrollee Total.

### Enrollment History of Participants No Longer Enrolled

Previous 12 Months	No Longer Enrolled <sup>6</sup>	Enrolled for 1-6 Months <sup>7</sup>		Enrolled for 7-12 Months <sup>7</sup>		Enrolled for 13-18 Months <sup>7</sup>		Enrolled for 19+ Months <sup>7</sup>		Avg. Months Enrolled <sup>7</sup>
	NUMBER	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER
MAR	12,052	1,950	16%	6,825	57%	1,879	16%	1,398	12%	10.1
APR	12,150	1,967	16%	6,867	57%	1,887	16%	1,429	12%	10.2
MAY	12,492	2,003	16%	7,067	57%	1,939	16%	1,483	12%	10.2
JUN	12,880	2,058	16%	7,226	56%	2,002	16%	1,594	12%	10.4
JUL	13,308	2,106	16%	7,413	56%	2,072	16%	1,717	13%	10.5
AUG	13,786	2,160	16%	7,639	55%	2,151	16%	1,836	13%	10.6
SEP	14,249	2,239	16%	7,833	55%	2,243	16%	1,934	14%	10.7
OCT	14,559	2,293	16%	7,998	55%	2,290	16%	1,978	14%	10.7
NOV	14,867	2,357	16%	8,152	55%	2,333	16%	2,025	14%	10.8
DEC	15,305	2,420	16%	8,356	55%	2,414	16%	2,115	14%	10.8
2024 JAN	15,833	2,499	16%	8,599	54%	2,495	16%	2,240	14%	10.9
FEB	16,479	2,632	16%	8,861	54%	2,593	16%	2,393	15%	11.0

<sup>6</sup>Cumulative count of participants who are no longer enrolled in Supported Employment as of the most recent enrollment month. Participants will be removed from this table entirely if they return to the program after a 1+ month gap.

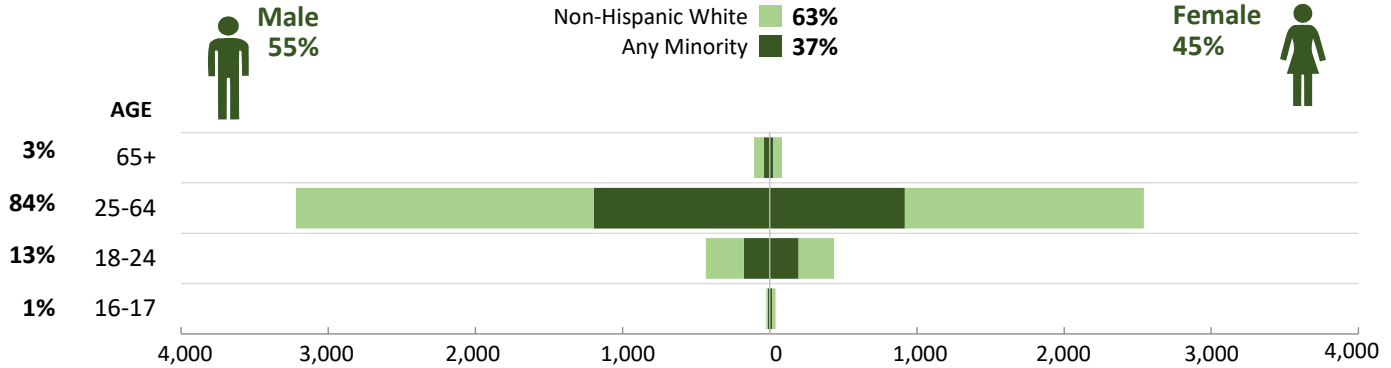
<sup>7</sup>Results are based on the total number of months over the life of the participant (and are not necessarily consecutive).

## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - DEMOGRAPHICS

### Demographic Notes.

- "Any Minority" includes enrollees whose race/ethnicity is not recorded as "white"/"non-Hispanic" (including when missing or not provided).

### Demographics of Participants Enrolled in February 2024



## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - CARE ASSESSMENT

### CARE Assessment Notes.

- Comprehensive Assessment Reporting Evaluation (CARE) is the tool used by case managers to document a participant's functional ability, determine eligibility for long-term care services, evaluate what and how much assistance a participant will receive, and develop a plan of care.

### CARE Assessment Detail

*Note: month to month changes are due to participant enrollment mix, not program impact.*

Previous 12 Months	Enrolled in Month	Developmental Disability CARE Assessment in Last 15 Months		Aging CARE Assessment in Last 15 Months	
	TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
MAR	5,655	114	2%	1,018	18%
APR	5,995	114	2%	1,102	18%
MAY	6,086	118	2%	1,111	18%
JUN	6,085	117	2%	1,142	19%
JUL	6,133	117	2%	1,165	19%
AUG	6,126	117	2%	1,217	20%
SEP	6,126	117	2%	1,205	20%
OCT	6,231	120	2%	1,221	20%
NOV	6,227	120	2%	1,170	19%
DEC	6,273	122	2%	1,183	19%
2024 JAN	6,755	113	2%	1,255	19%
FEB	6,887	115	2%	1,293	19%

## SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - OTHER PROGRAM ELIGIBILITY

### For those enrolled in February 2024...

- Enrollees' Medicaid eligibility is predominately obtained through either the ACA expansion adult (Non-Presumptive) program (44%) or the Categorically Needy Blind/Disabled program (27%).
- 14% of the Supported Employment enrollees are dually eligible for Medicaid and Medicare.

### Medicaid Eligibility Categories

Previous 12 Months	Enrolled in Month	CN Blind/Disabled (Medicaid-Only & Full Dual Eligibles)		CN Aged (Medicaid-Only & Full Dual Eligibles)		CN Family Medical & Pregnant Woman		ACA Expansion Adults (Non-Presumptive)		ACA Expansion Adults (SSI Presumptive)		CN Children <sup>1</sup>	
		TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER
MAR	5,655	1,669	30%	130	2%	623	11%	2,441	43%	620	11%	171	3%
APR	5,995	1,753	29%	136	2%	651	11%	2,610	44%	666	11%	178	3%
MAY	6,086	1,760	29%	140	2%	668	11%	2,672	44%	663	11%	181	3%
JUN	6,085	1,788	29%	140	2%	664	11%	2,642	43%	680	11%	170	3%
JUL	6,133	1,795	29%	145	2%	698	11%	2,650	43%	677	11%	164	3%
AUG	6,126	1,812	30%	154	3%	693	11%	2,644	43%	665	11%	152	2%
SEP	6,126	1,779	29%	162	3%	680	11%	2,647	43%	693	11%	157	3%
OCT	6,231	1,769	28%	172	3%	688	11%	2,725	44%	701	11%	166	3%
NOV	6,227	1,721	28%	162	3%	714	11%	2,760	44%	702	11%	159	3%
DEC	6,273	1,722	27%	160	3%	719	11%	2,803	45%	701	11%	156	2%
2024 JAN	6,755	1,823	27%	170	3%	792	12%	3,027	45%	764	11%	165	2%
FEB	6,887	1,835	27%	186	3%	788	11%	3,039	44%	860	12%	166	2%

<sup>1</sup>Includes coverage of Foster Care clients between the age of 18-26.

### Other Housing Assistance Program Eligibility

*Note: month to month changes are due to participant enrollment mix, not program impact.*

Previous 12 Months	Enrolled in Month	Referral for Housing and Essential Needs (HEN)		Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Chronic Homelessness Criteria					
				Total HUD Chronic Homelessness		HUD Chronic Homelessness: Lengthy		HUD Chronic Homelessness: Frequent	
				NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
MAR	5,655	1,720	30%	672	12%	661	12%	17	0%
APR	5,995	1,845	31%	710	12%	699	12%	17	0%
MAY	6,086	1,878	31%	720	12%	707	12%	18	0%
JUN	6,085	1,896	31%	714	12%	703	12%	16	0%
JUL	6,133	1,892	31%	701	11%	693	11%	14	0%
AUG	6,126	1,935	32%	694	11%	685	11%	17	0%
SEP	6,126	1,932	32%	668	11%	659	11%	15	0%
OCT	6,231	1,988	32%	672	11%	663	11%	15	0%
NOV	6,227	1,969	32%	681	11%	676	11%	13	0%
DEC	6,273	2,013	32%	723	12%	720	11%	13	0%
2024 JAN	6,755	2,197	33%	763	11%	758	11%	17	0%
FEB	6,887	2,274	33%	766	11%	760	11%	16	0%

**REFERENCES**

- **HUD Chronic Homelessness Criteria.** Criteria can be met in two ways. For the **Lengthy criteria** an enrollee is determined to be experiencing 12 continuous months of homelessness within the past year. For the **Frequent criteria** an enrollee is determined to have experienced 4 episodes of homelessness over the past 3 years, which equal 12+ total months spent homeless. The Lengthy and Frequent criteria are not mutually exclusive. Note that the results are a proxy for the HUD criteria based on ACES data, and not Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).

ACA = Affordable Care Act | CN = Categorically Needy | HEN = Housing and Essential Needs | HUD = Housing & Urban Development

# SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

NOTES

### Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Notes.

- Mental Health (MH) and Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Treatment Need Indication and Service Use are based on Medicaid data only. Therefore, the MH and SUD results that follow are show only for enrollees eligible for Medicaid only.
- In December 2023, 85% of Supportive Housing enrollees were eligible for Medicaid only.
- MH and SUD source data is only shown through December 2023 when it is more complete.
- See the bottom of page SE6 for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder references

**Dec 2023**

15% DUALS

85% MEDICAID-ONLY

## MENTAL HEALTH

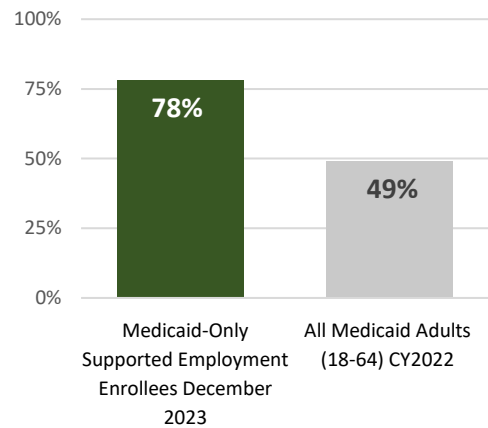
### Mental Health Treatment Need and Service Use Overlap Summary (for Medicaid-Only Enrollees)

*Note: month to month changes are due to participant enrollment mix, not program impact.*

Previous 12 Months	Medicaid-Only Enrollees	Mental Health				
		Treatment Need Indicated in Last 24 Months		Services Received in Last 12 Months		Penetration Rate
		TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
MAR	4,744	4,384	92%	3,495	74%	80%
APR	5,026	4,625	92%	3,651	73%	79%
MAY	5,122	4,713	92%	3,680	72%	78%
JUN	5,098	4,682	92%	3,663	72%	78%
JUL	5,169	4,745	92%	3,733	72%	79%
AUG	5,154	4,738	92%	3,679	71%	78%
SEP	5,175	4,730	91%	3,686	71%	78%
OCT	5,269	4,805	91%	3,764	71%	78%
NOV	5,320	4,840	91%	3,780	71%	78%
DEC	5,361	4,866	91%	3,802	71%	78%
2024 JAN	5,797	pending	-	pending	-	-
FEB	5,918	pending	-	pending	-	-

### Mental Health Penetration Rate

Medicaid-Only clients enrolled in the FCS Supported Employment program are more likely to be receiving Mental Health services than the state-wide adult Medicaid population.



## SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

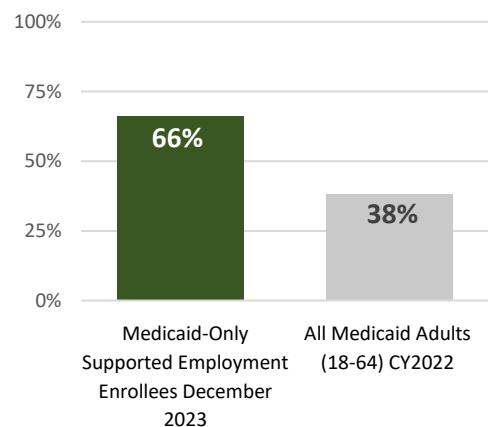
### Substance Use Disorder Treatment Need and Service Use Overlap Summary (for Medicaid-Only Enrollees)

*Note: month to month changes are due to participant enrollment mix, not program impact.*

Previous 12 Months	Medicaid-Only Enrollees	Substance Use Disorder				
		Treatment Need Indicated in Last 24 Months		Services Received in Last 12 Months		Penetration Rate
		TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
MAR	4,744	2,837	60%	1,780	38%	63%
APR	5,026	3,017	60%	1,879	37%	62%
MAY	5,122	3,076	60%	1,928	38%	63%
JUN	5,098	3,071	60%	1,925	38%	63%
JUL	5,169	3,147	61%	1,991	39%	63%
AUG	5,154	3,134	61%	1,976	38%	63%
SEP	5,175	3,145	61%	1,979	38%	63%
OCT	5,269	3,210	61%	2,057	39%	64%
NOV	5,320	3,263	61%	2,153	40%	66%
DEC	5,361	3,348	62%	2,211	41%	66%
2024 JAN	5,797	pending	-	pending	-	-
FEB	5,918	pending	-	pending	-	-

### Substance Use Disorder Penetration Rate

Medicaid-Only clients enrolled in the FCS Supported Employment program are more likely to be receiving SUD services than the state-wide adult Medicaid population.





# SUPPORTED EMPLOYMENT - MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER

**NOTES**

**Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Notes.**

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## TREATMENT NEED

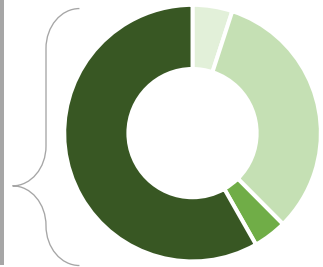
### Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Treatment Need Overlap Detail (for Medicaid-Only Enrollees)

Note: month to month changes are due to participant enrollment mix, not program impact.

Previous 12 Months	Medicaid-Only Enrollees	No MH or SUD Treatment Need Indicated in Last 24 Months		MH Treatment Need Only Indicated in Last 24 Months		SUD Treatment Need Only Indicated in Last 24 Months		Co-occurring MH and SUD Treatment Need Indicated in Last 24 Months	
	TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
MAR	4,744	199	4%	1,708	36%	161	3%	2,676	56%
APR	5,026	218	4%	1,791	36%	183	4%	2,834	56%
MAY	5,122	231	5%	1,815	35%	178	3%	2,898	57%
JUN	5,098	232	5%	1,795	35%	184	4%	2,887	57%
JUL	5,169	234	5%	1,788	35%	190	4%	2,957	57%
AUG	5,154	226	4%	1,794	35%	190	4%	2,944	57%
SEP	5,175	241	5%	1,789	35%	204	4%	2,941	57%
OCT	5,269	255	5%	1,804	34%	209	4%	3,001	57%
NOV	5,320	265	5%	1,792	34%	215	4%	3,048	57%
DEC	5,361	269	5%	1,744	33%	226	4%	3,122	58%
2024 JAN	5,797	pending	-	pending	-	pending	-	pending	-
FEB	5,918	pending	-	pending	-	pending	-	pending	-

- In December 2023, 58% of Medicaid-Only SE enrollees have indicated a co-occurring MH and SUD treatment need in the last 24 months.

- No Tx Need
- MH Tx Need Only
- SUD Tx Need Only
- MH & SUD Tx Need



## SERVICE USE

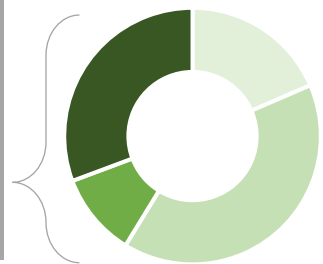
### Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Service Use Overlap Detail (for Medicaid-Only Enrollees)

Note: month to month changes are due to participant enrollment mix, not program impact.

Previous 12 Months	Medicaid-Only Enrollees	No MH or SUD Service Use in Last 12 Months		MH Service Use Only in Last 12 Months		SUD Service Use Only in Last 12 Months		Both MH and SUD Service Use in Last 12 Months	
	TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT	NUMBER	PERCENT
MAR	4,744	839	18%	2,125	45%	410	9%	1,370	29%
APR	5,026	918	18%	2,229	44%	457	9%	1,422	28%
MAY	5,122	975	19%	2,219	43%	467	9%	1,461	29%
JUN	5,098	958	19%	2,215	43%	477	9%	1,448	28%
JUL	5,169	947	18%	2,231	43%	489	9%	1,502	29%
AUG	5,154	966	19%	2,212	43%	509	10%	1,467	28%
SEP	5,175	966	19%	2,230	43%	523	10%	1,456	28%
OCT	5,269	974	18%	2,238	42%	531	10%	1,526	29%
NOV	5,320	981	18%	2,186	41%	559	11%	1,594	30%
DEC	5,361	993	19%	2,157	40%	566	11%	1,645	31%
2024 JAN	5,797	pending	-	pending	-	pending	-	pending	-
FEB	5,918	pending	-	pending	-	pending	-	pending	-

- In December 2023, 31% of Medicaid-Only SE enrollees have received both MH and SUD services in the last 12 months.

- No Service Use
- MH Service Use Only
- SUD Service Use Only
- MH & SUD Service Use



**REFERENCES**

- Mental Health Treatment Need Flag.** Indication based on any MH diagnosis, prescription or service recorded in administrative data.
- Mental Health Services.** Received inpatient or outpatient mental health services in the past 12 months.
- Substance Use Disorder Treatment Need Flag.** Indication based on at least one substance-related diagnosis, procedure, prescription, treatment or arrest.
- Substance Use Disorder Services.** Received substance use disorder services (including inpatient, outpatient or opiate substitution) in the past 12 months.