

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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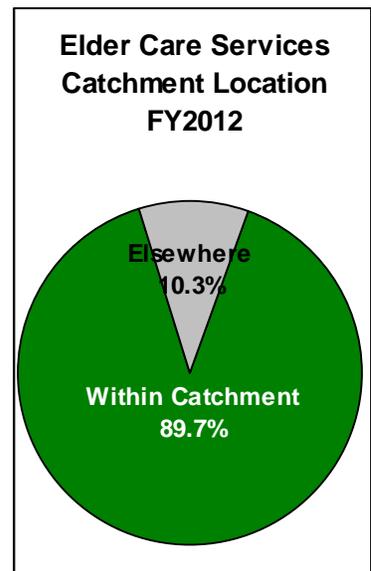
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RE: Elder Care service utilization by provider and region of residence FY2012

This week's brief report complements our November 2 report on Elder Care utilization by providing information regarding the utilization of Elder Care services by residents of each of Vermont's ten designated community mental health agencies (DAs) catchment areas overall, and by location of care (local DA vs. other DA). This analysis was conducted in response to a request from Linda Chambers, Executive Director of the Clara Martin Center, for information regarding cross region Elder Care utilization patterns.

This report is based on analysis of data from Monthly Service Reports submitted to the Department of Mental Health by DAs and population estimates for adults aged 60+ provided by the Vermont Department of Health. For purposes of this analysis, three distinct measures of elder care utilization are provided: Overall utilization; utilization of elder care services within the catchment area; and utilization of elder care services provided outside of the catchment area.



DA catchment areas broadly align with Vermont counties. For example, Clara Martin Center (CMC) serves a majority of Orange County (except the towns of Orange, Washington, and Williamstown) and also serves several towns on its border that are located in Addison and Windsor Counties.

As you will see, there were substantial variations among regions in each of these three measures. Overall utilization rates ranged from a high of more than 1% of elders served in CSAC to 0.5% at NCSS and LCC; 0.4% in WCMH; 0.3% in HC, HCRS, and RMHS; 0.2% in UCS and NKHS; and 0.1% at CMC.

There was also substantial variation in the proportion of elder service recipients who received elder services from their local DA, ranging from 100% RMHS and NKHS to 0% at LCC and CMC, which do not provide elder care services. In both cases, however, elders from these service areas were reported as receiving elder care services in other catchment areas.

As always, we look forward to your comments, questions, and suggestions for further analysis of community mental health center Elder Care Program data. You can reach us at pip@state.vt.us or 802-828-1703.

Elders Served By Elder Care Programs Vermont FY2012

Catchment Area	Region	Elder Population	Location of Service					
			Elders Served		Within Catchment		Elsewhere	
			#	% of Elders	#	%	#	%
Statewide		132,312	456	0.3%	409	89.7%	47	10.3%
CSAC	Addison	7,468	83	1.1%	75	90.4%	8	9.6%
NCSS	Northwest	10,057	52	0.5%	47	90.4%	5	9.6%
LCC	Lamoille	4,762	23	0.5%	0	0.0%	23	100.0%
WCMH	Washington	13,921	62	0.4%	60	96.8%	2	3.2%
HC	Chittenden	25,905	77	0.3%	74	96.1%	3	3.9%
HCRS	Southeast	23,161	65	0.3%	64	98.5%	1	1.5%
RMHS	Rutland	14,714	40	0.3%	40	100.0%	0	0.0%
UCS	Bennington	9,663	21	0.2%	20	95.2%	1	4.8%
NKHS	Northeast	15,497	29	0.2%	29	100.0%	0	0.0%
CMC	Orange	7,164	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	4	100.0%

Analysis is based on extracts from Monthly Service Reports (MSR) submitted to DMH by the community mental health centers. The extract from the MSR database includes July 2011 - June 2012 monthly service records, with an Elder Care cost center, and units greater than 0. Analysis includes adults age 60 and older. Counts for catchment area populations are based on National Census Figures (Jul 1, 2010) from VT Department of Health.