

Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project

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TO: Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project
Advisory Group and Interested Parties

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RE: Personality Disorders in CRT: FY1999 and FY2009

This week's brief report provides information on the prevalence of the diagnosis of Personality Disorder in the caseload of Community Rehabilitation and Treatment (CRT) Programs for adults with serious mental illness in Vermont during FY1999 and FY2009. This report was prepared in response to a request from Paul Landerl, CRT Director at HowardCenter, for information regarding differences among Vermont's CRT programs in clinical and personal characteristics of individuals served. Future PIP reports will provide information regarding other characteristics of individuals served by CRT programs during the same time periods.

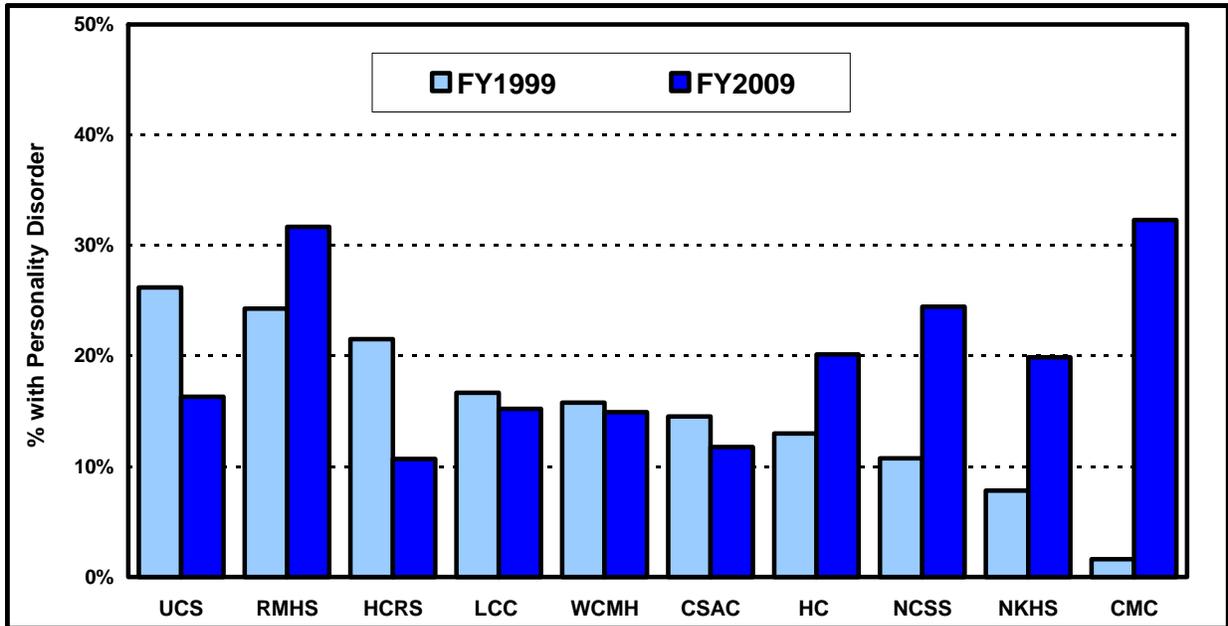
This report is based on analysis of data regarding client diagnoses submitted to DMH by designated agencies in Monthly Service Report data for the time periods under examination. A Personality Disorder is an enduring pattern of inner experience and behavior that deviates markedly from the expectations of the individual's culture, is pervasive and inflexible, is stable over time, and leads to distress and impairment.¹

As you will see, statewide, the proportion of CRT clients with a diagnosis of personality disorder increased from 15% in FY1999 to 19% in FY2009. In FY1999, the proportion of CRT service recipients reported as having a personality disorder varied from highs of 26% in Bennington and 24% in Rutland to a low of 2% in Orange County. In FY2009, the proportion of CRT service recipients reported as having a personality disorder varied from a high of 32% in Rutland County and in Orange County, to lows of 12% in Addison County and 11% in Southeast Vermont.

We look forward to your suggestions for further analysis of these data. As always your questions, comments, or interpretations of these findings can be directed to 802.241-4049 or pip@ahs.state.vt.us.

¹ Diagnostic Codes used in this analysis include: 301.00, 301.20, 301.22, 301.40, 301.50, 301.60, 301.70, 301.81, 301.82, 301.83, 301.84, 301.90, 300.16, 300.19, 301.51.

Personality Disorder Diagnoses In Community Rehabilitation and Treatment Caseloads Vermont FY1999 and FY2009



Agency - Region	FY1999			FY2009		
	Total Served	with Personality Disorder Dx		Total Served	with Personality Disorder Dx	
		#	%		#	%
UCS - Bennington	187	49	26%	184	30	16%
RMHS - Rutland	317	77	24%	284	90	32%
HCRS - Southeast	395	85	22%	384	41	11%
LCC - Lamoille	138	23	17%	138	21	15%
WCMH - Washington	463	73	16%	429	64	15%
CSAC - Addison	172	25	15%	187	22	12%
HC - Chittenden	647	84	13%	685	138	20%
NCSS - Northwest	233	25	11%	233	57	24%
NKHS - Northeast	397	31	8%	357	71	20%
CMC - Orange	124	2	2%	192	62	32%
Total	3,073	474	15%	3,073	596	19%

Based on analysis of Monthly Service Report (MSR) data submitted to the Vermont Department of Mental Health by the designated agencies during FY1999 and FY2009. Includes Community Rehabilitation & Treatment (CRT) program service recipients with any diagnosis of personality disorder.

Analysis conducted by the Vermont Mental Health Performance Indicator Project