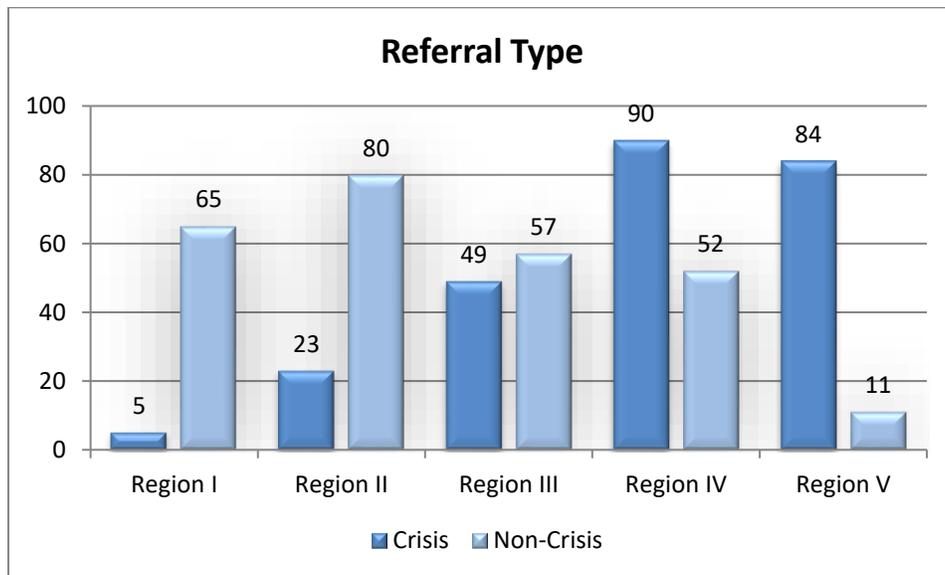
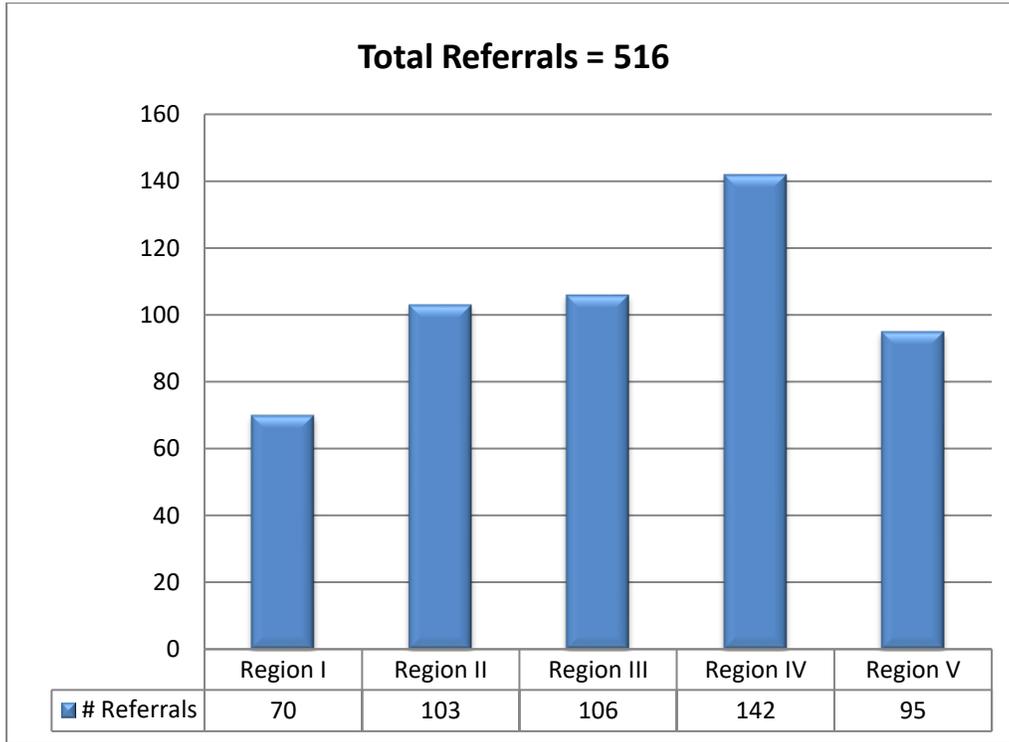


## REACH Data Summary Report-Adult: Q1/FY23

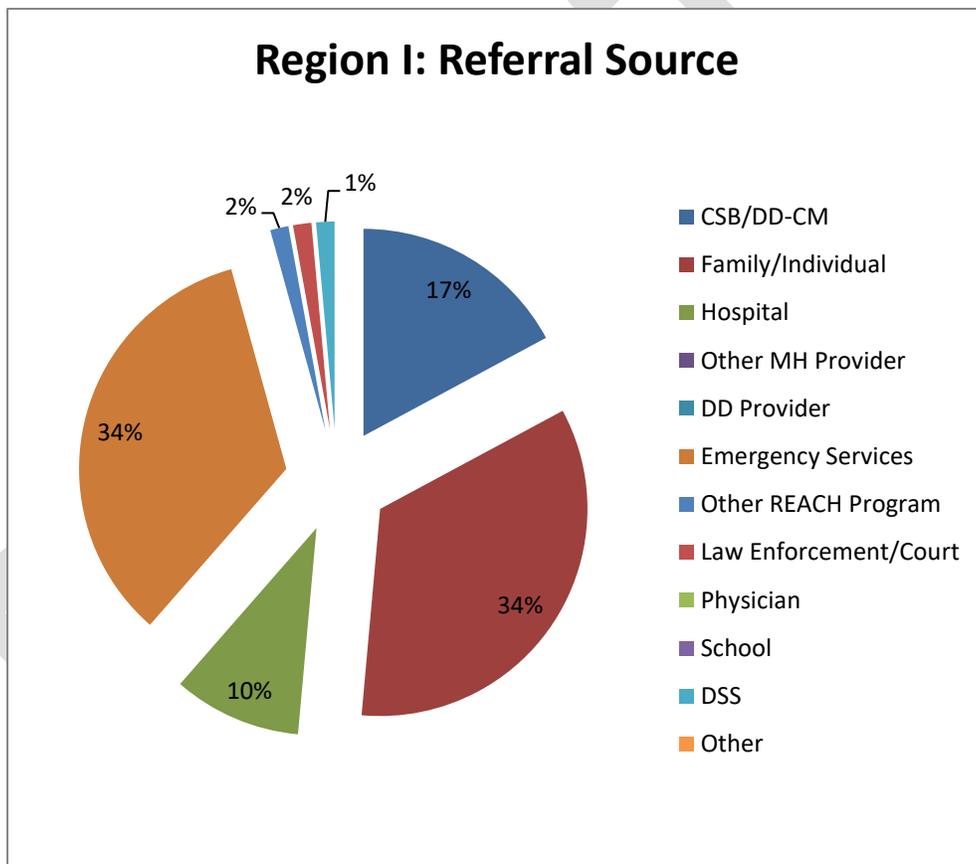
This report provides data summarizing the referral activity, service provision, and residential outcomes for adults served by the REACH programs during the first quarter of fiscal year 2023.

### REACH Referral Activity

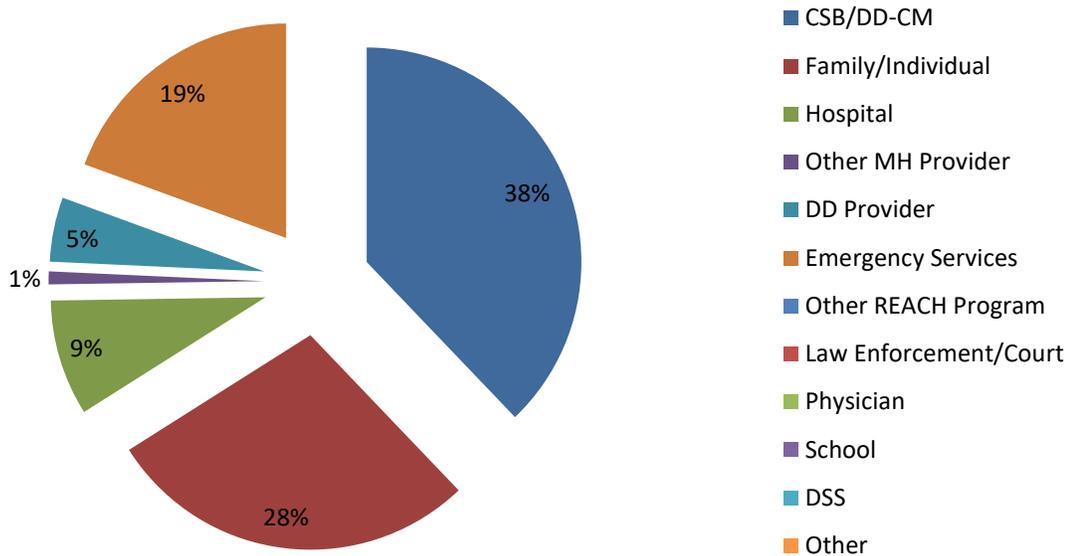


For FY23 Q1, there was an increase in total referrals as compared to FY22 Q4, 508 to 516. The data regarding the breakdown of types of referrals for Regions I, II, III and denote more non-crisis referrals than crisis referrals; whereas Regions IV and V received more crisis referrals in the first quarter. This trend is the similar as compared to the previous quarters with Region IV and V both receiving more non-crisis referrals than crisis in the previous quarter.

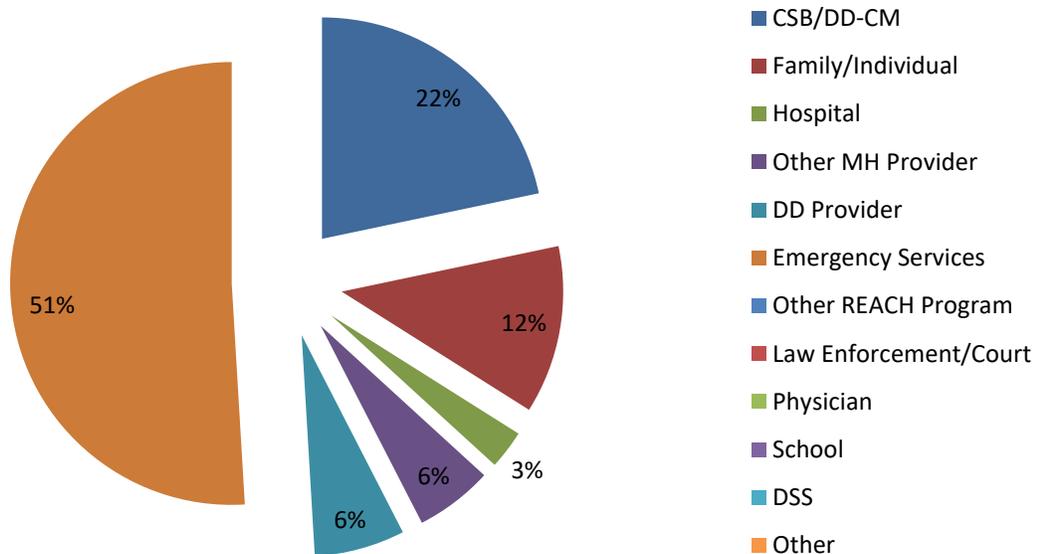
Referral activity is also considered by differentiating the source of the request for service. The following five charts show a breakdown by Region of referral source data. Referral sources cover a broad range of stakeholders when the state is considered as a whole and primary referral sources vary by Regions of the state.

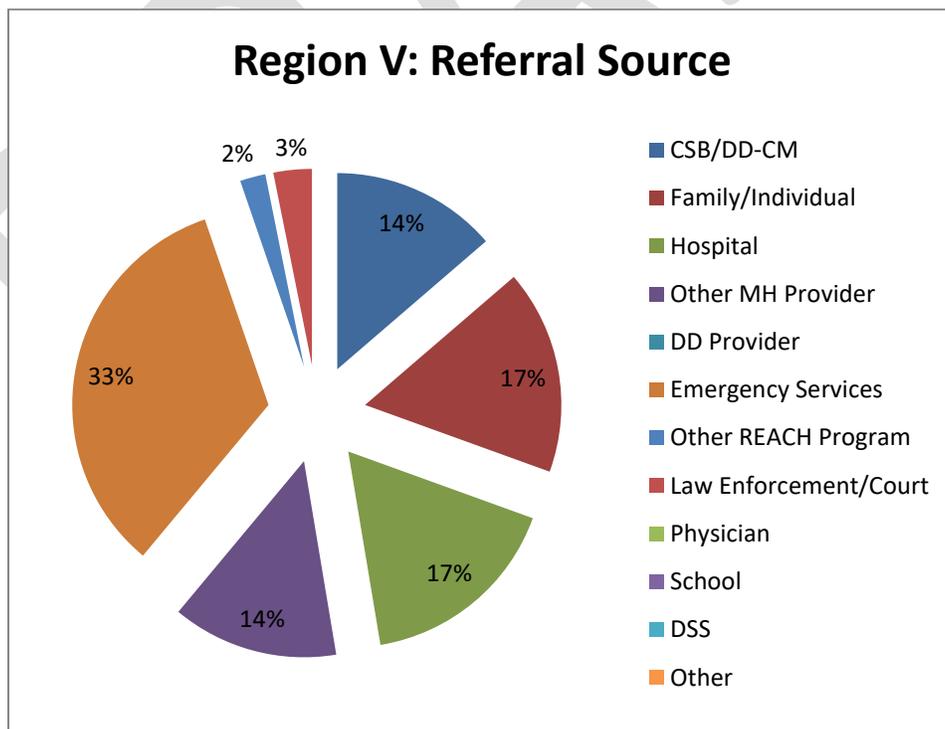
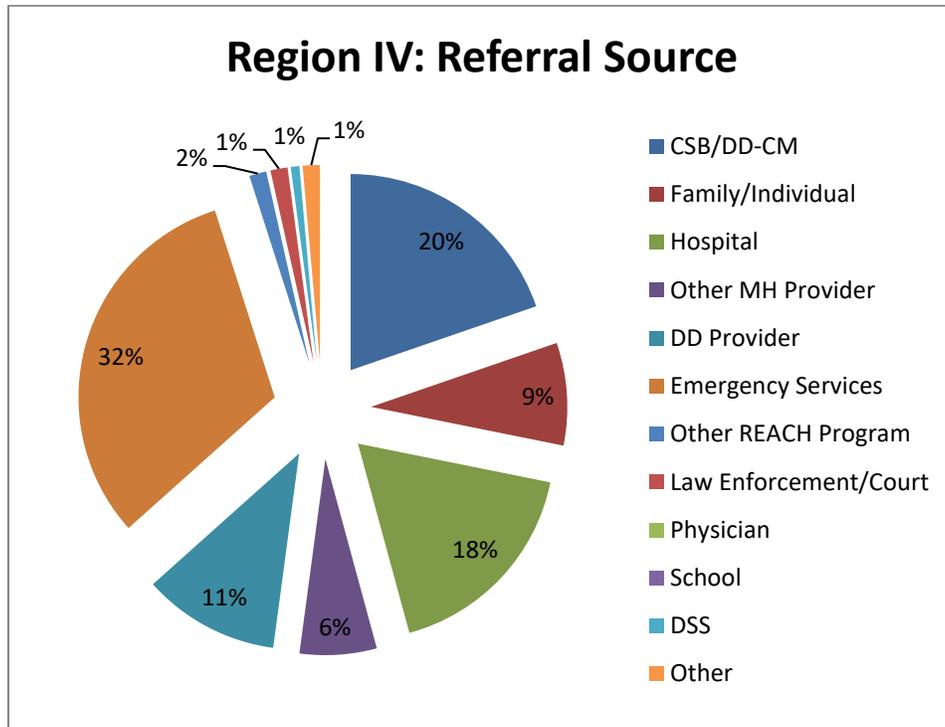


### Region II: Referral Source



### Region III: Referral Source





The table below provides a breakdown of referrals by days of the week, ranges of time, and weekends/holidays. Monday through Friday is consistently the prime days for referrals with the 7:00 a.m. to 2:59 p.m. time frame being higher than 3 p.m. to 10:59 p.m. time frame in which most referrals occur.

Referral Time	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V	Total
Monday - Friday	61	92	92	128	75	448
Weekends/Holidays	9	11	14	14	20	68
7am - 2:59pm	38	54	57	65	37	251
3pm - 10:59pm	29	40	34	62	38	203
11 pm - 6:59 am	3	9	15	15	20	62

Also of interest to the Commonwealth is ensuring that the REACH programs serve the DD community in its entirety and effectively. The table below summarizes the breakdown of individuals referred to REACH with an intellectual disability (ID) only, an intellectual and other developmental disability, developmental disability exclusive of ID, and unknown or no developmental disability. “Unknown” refers to individuals who are still in the referral process at the end of the quarter and documentation of disability is being verified, and “None” references individuals for whom a referral was taken but diagnostic criteria were not substantiated. During the first quarter, RI and II supported more individuals with “DD only”. Individuals with only the diagnosis of ID continue to be the highest denoted subgroup supported by the Adult REACH programs.

Diagnosis	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V	Total
ID only	26	24	59	72	33	214
DD only	27	54	29	47	37	194
ID/DD	9	25	14	15	13	76
Unknown/None	8	0	4	8	12	32
<b>Total</b>	70	103	106	142	95	<b>516</b>

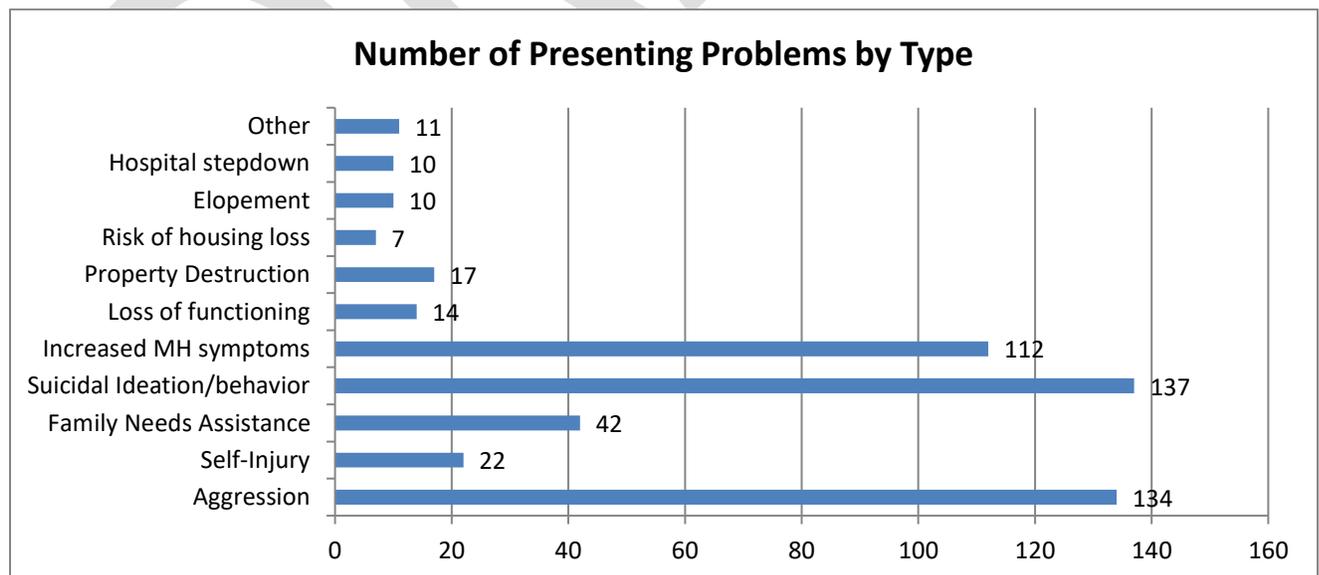
In terms of what type of clinical issues bring individuals to the REACH programs for support; aggression and increased MH symptoms continue to be the main reasons for referral during FY23

Q1, with suicidal ideation as the most common reason for referral. Previous quarters indicated that it was the third highest referral reason. Aggressive behavior includes physical aggression and verbal threats. This pattern remains consistent from the previous quarter. Following the summary table on the next page, a graph presents the same information aggregated across all five REACH Regions.

**Presenting Problems**

	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V	Total
Aggression	23	26	22	41	22	134
Self-Injury	2	5	5	7	3	22
Family Needs Assistance	8	6	3	20	5	42
Suicidal Ideation/behavior	16	16	33	33	39	137
Increased MH symptoms	12	36	22	27	15	112
Loss of functioning	6	1	2	1	4	14
Property Destruction	0	5	6	2	4	17
Risk of housing loss	0	4	1	0	2	7
Elopement	0	0	5	4	1	10
Hospital stepdown	0	2	1	7	0	10
Other	3	2	6	0	0	11

*Other: Jail, Connection to Services and Unsafe Community Behavior*

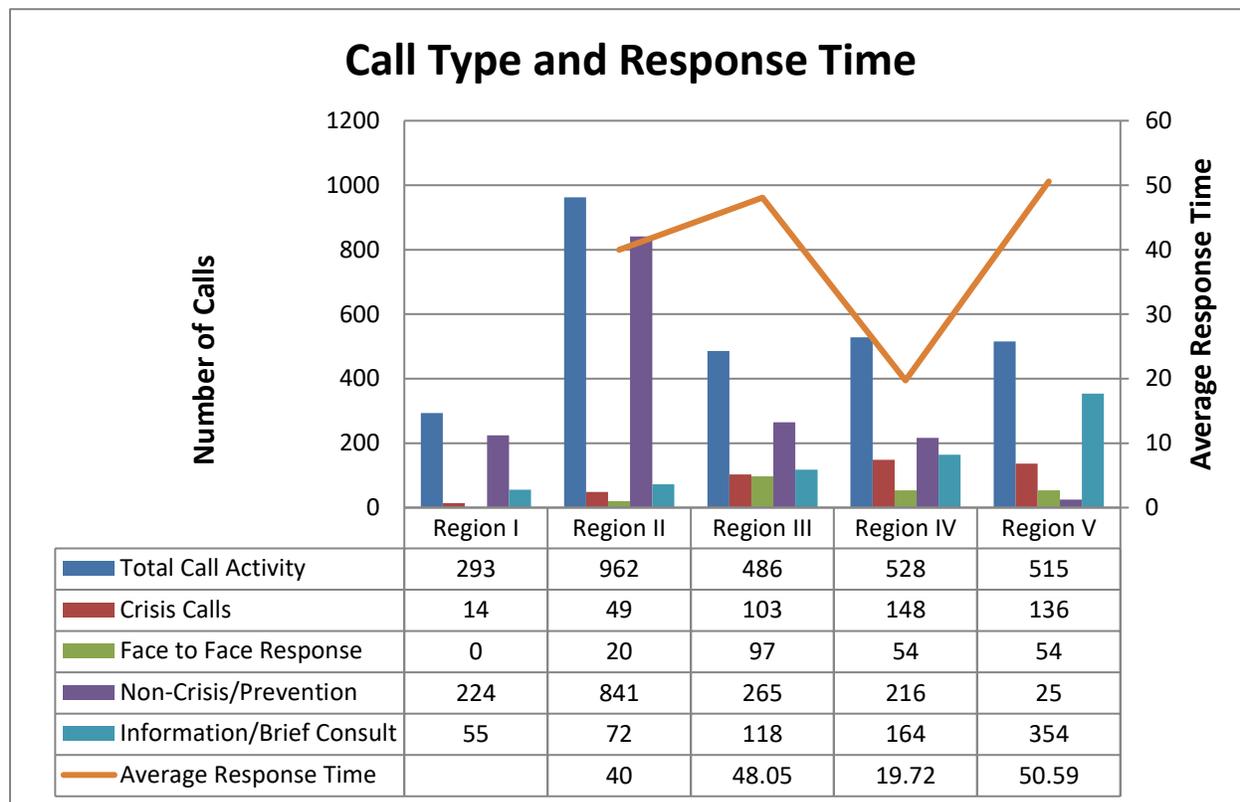


### **REACH Crisis Response**

Each of the five regional REACH programs operates a crisis line 24-hours per day, seven days per week. Arriving calls may be from existing REACH consumers or from systems in the midst of an escalating situation. Calls are responded to in one of two ways: either by telephone consultation or through an on-site, face-to-face assessment and intervention. Because the crisis line allows an individual to access a trained clinician 24/7, it is being used more and more frequently by REACH clients and their circles of support to maintain stability or to assist the individual in problem solving through a stressful situation. The “crisis” line is a primary tool of prevention for some of the programs. REACH clinicians are expected to respond in-person to situations that meet the acuity level of a crisis, and this includes partnering with emergency services prescreening staff when a Temporary Detention Order is being considered. Non-crisis calls that are received by the programs are understood to serve a preventive role and may be a prescribed element within a written Crisis Education and Prevention Plan (CEPP). Domains of interest related to crisis line activity include the following:

- Crisis calls
- Non-crisis/Prevention
- Information/brief consult
- In-person assessment/intervention
- Total crisis line activity
- Average response time

A summary of information related to these elements is depicted in the graph on the following page. Please note that this graph encompasses all calls received on the crisis line during the review cycle. It includes on-site responses to existing REACH clients, repeat calls from individuals, as well as new referrals who may be contacting REACH for the first time. Therefore, call totals, when combined across categories will exceed the total number of referrals for the quarter. As has been noted before, crisis line activity and referral activity are best understood as separate elements.



The average response time is graphed on a secondary axis represented by the orange line. Noted in the data listed above is the impact of COVID in relation to the in-person crisis responses (“face to face response”). Due to precautions related to COVID all programs have utilized some telehealth options in order to continue to be a provide crisis response. The number of responses via telehealth for each region varied with all regions providing increased numbers of face to face response again this quarter. Overall call activity decreased from FY22Q4 of 3,056 to 2,784 in FY23Q1. Crisis call activity increased from 408 calls in FY22Q4 to 450 calls in FY23Q1. The respective regions experienced the following face to face response to calls during the first quarter of FY23: All five regions met expectations as denoted in the REACH Program Standards regarding average time to respond to the scene of the crisis event for those responded to face to face. Regions II and IV must have an average response time of within one hour as designated as urban setting and Regions I, III, and V within two hours as designated rural setting. Region I provided 100% of their response via tele health, while Region II responded at 90%. Region III met at 98%, Region IV at 80%, and Region V met at 98% of their face-to-face response time. The table on the next page offers a more detailed picture of response time data by breaking it into

30-minute increments. Traffic congestions/distance, and multiple calls were the reasons given for delays in response. This is consistent with the previous quarter.

### Response Time

	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V	Total Calls
Response Interval: 0 - 30	0	8	40	15	21	90
Response Interval: 31 - 60	0	10	30	28	13	81
Response Interval: 61 - 90	0	2	17	6	11	36
Response Interval: 91 -120	0	0	8	1	8	17
Response Interval: 120+	0	0	2	4	1	7
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>231</b>

*For those at +120 multiple calls, traffic/distance were a factor in not meeting timeframe.*

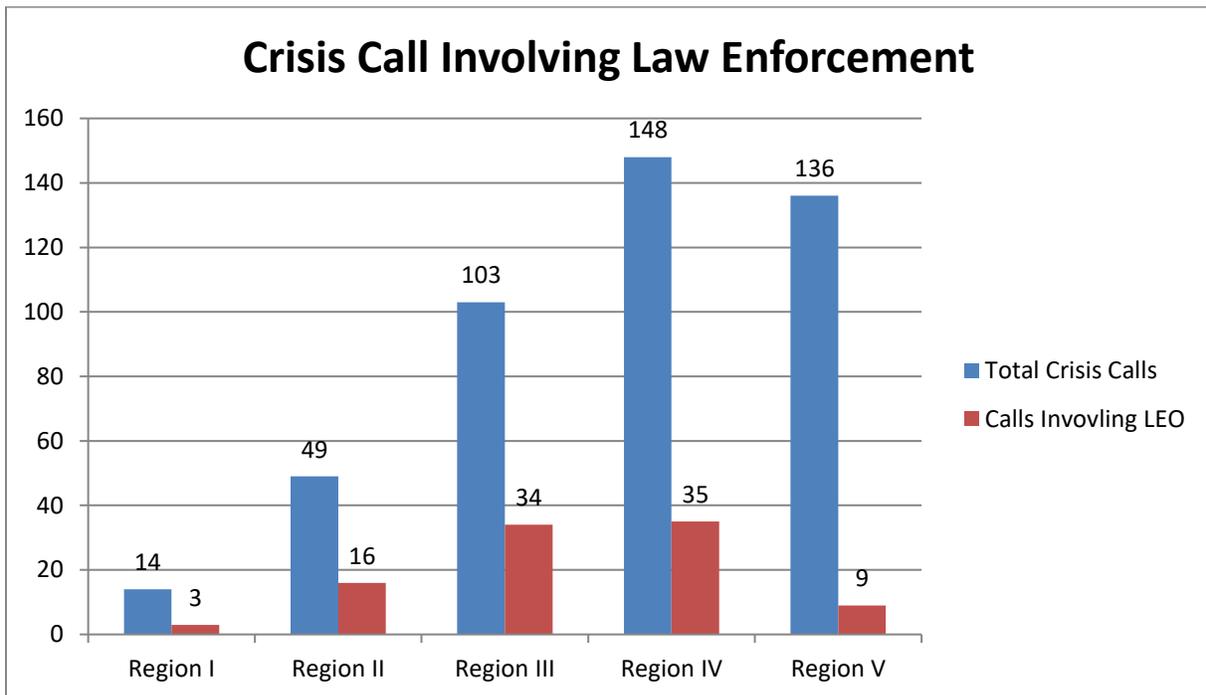
### Location of Crisis Assessments

Assessment Location	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V	Total
Individual Home/Family Home	0	14	20	31	39	104
Hospital/Emergency Room	12	21	44	84	82	243
Emergency Services/CSB	1	11	13	6	3	34
Residential Provider	1	3	22	19	10	55
Police Station	0	0	1	0	2	3
Day Program	0	0	3	4	0	7
School	0	0	0	2	0	2
Other	0	0	0	2	0	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>450</b>

*Other response settings include McDonalds and a doctor's office*

When indicated, the REACH programs are expected to arrive at the physical site of the crisis event, regardless of the nature of the setting. The table above provides a summary of the various locations where mobile crisis assessments took place over the course of FY23Q1. The location of assessments listed in the chart includes both those assessments completed by a REACH staff “in-person” and those completed via telehealth. The location denotes where the individual was located when the assessment occurred. During FY23Q1 the number of individuals assessed in family homes increased from 70 in FY22Q4 to 104, emergency room assessments decreased from the last quarter from 249 to 243 in the first quarter. Assessment locations in an emergency services/CSB increased from 26 to 34 this quarter, and the residential provider location decreased 57 to 55 individuals in the first quarter. Both COVID and low staffing numbers impacted certain locations of service. The data denotes that in the first quarter of FY23, 46% of all assessments occurred

outside of a hospital emergency department. This is an increase from 39% in FY22 Q4. The data denotes a continued decrease in law enforcement presence for the first quarter as compared to the previous quarter, 30.3% to 21.5%.

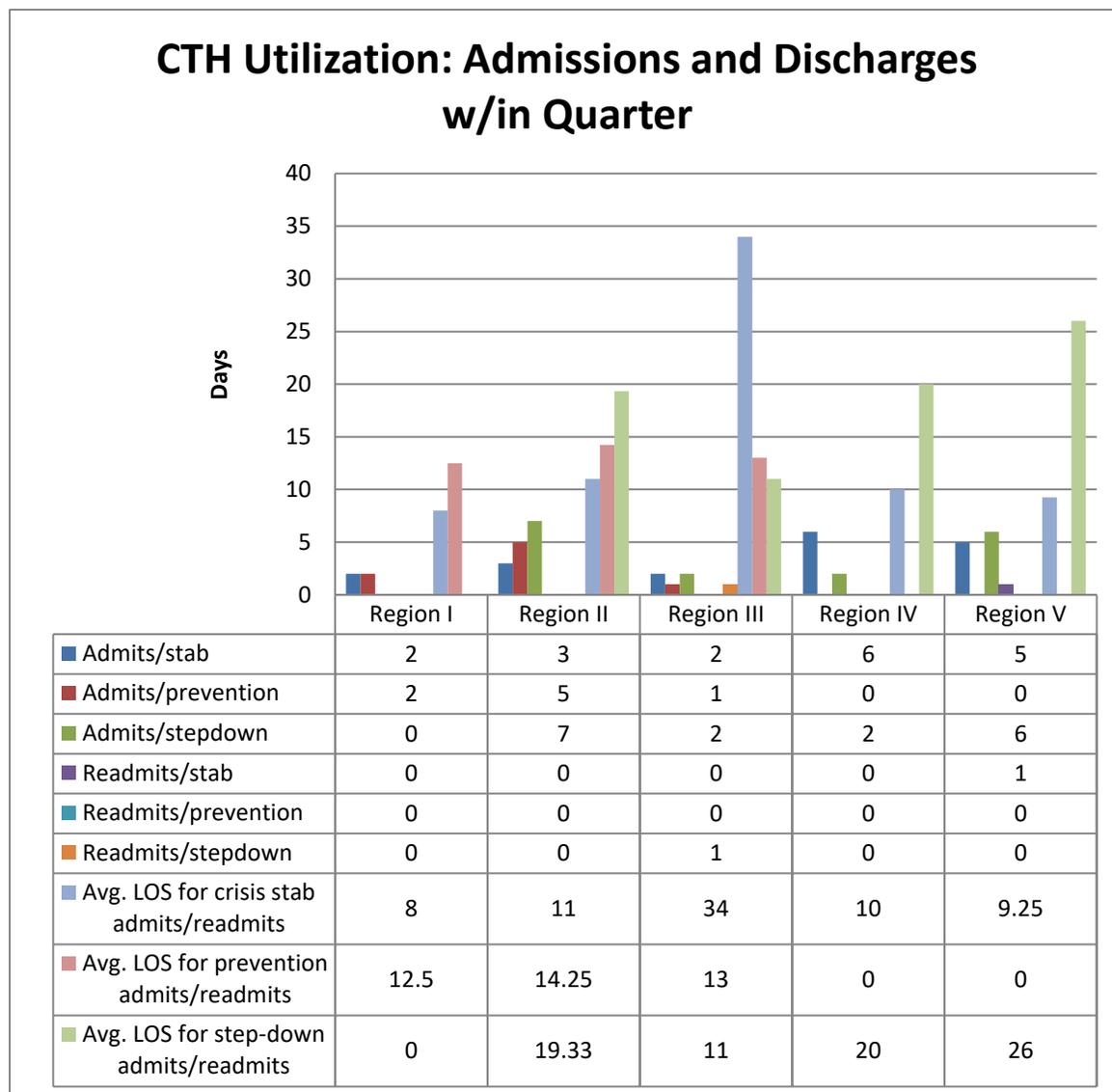


### Crisis Therapeutic House

Each of the five REACH programs operates a Crisis Therapeutic Home (CTH) that accepts crisis stabilization admissions, step downs from hospitals and jails, and planned preventive stays. Region specific information such as type of stay, length of stay, readmissions, and waitlists is presented in the graph on the next page. Due to the large variability in average length of stay (LOS) as a result of individuals being admitted with no disposition, the chart depicting CTH utilization was modified in FY20 to reflect only those individuals who were admitted or readmitted and discharged in the quarter. All other individuals who were admitted in previous quarters and discharged in this quarter will have their LOS data reflected in the narrative and table on pages 11 and 12. These particular individuals also will be included in the data on the chart “Dispositions by Service Type” under “CTH”.

The Commonwealth has been closely monitoring capacity of REACH programs across the Commonwealth. In all instances, the CTH is working with the CSB to ensure the individual is linked to appropriate supports and services. All programs are responsible for working with the Department as well to ensure that the system is working together to ensure an appropriate resolution and placement for the individual being supported. Additionally, the Department is working to address follow-through on services to ensure all parties are working diligently to address the needs of individuals without disposition. The next chart denotes within the fourth quarter admissions/readmissions across all Regional programs. During FY23Q1, there were 18 crisis stabilization admissions, 8 prevention admissions, and 17 step-down admissions reflecting a decrease of 3 in the number of crisis, increase in prevention admission of 4, and increase of 2 in step down admissions in the first quarter of FY23.

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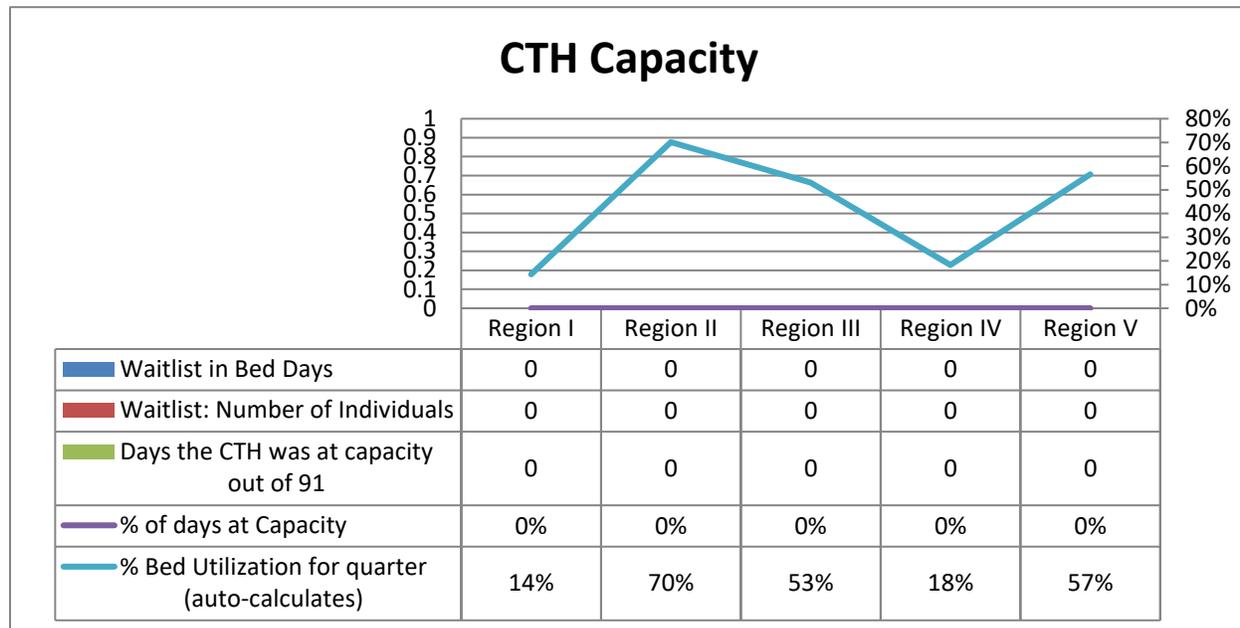
The average length of stay reflected for each type of admission on the previous chart reflects that for crisis stabilization admissions Region I, II, IV and V are within the expected average length of stay and RIII is outside of the average length of stay at 34 days, however this is an improve from 55 days in the previous quarter. Across all Regions for those individuals who were admitted in a previous quarter to the CTH and discharged in this quarter, the data is as follows: 6 crisis stabilization admissions with LOS ranging from 19 to 141 days, 7 step-down

admissions with LOS ranging from 11 to 168 days, and 0 prevention stays. These discharged individuals are in addition to those individuals admitted and discharged within the quarter.

LOS: Individuals Admitted Previously and Discharged w/in Quarter			
Region	Individual	Type of Admission	Total LOS (days)
Region I	Person 1	Crisis Stab	141
	Person 2	Crisis Stab	102
Region II	Person 1	Stepdown	168
	Person 2	Stepdown	43
	Person 3	Crisis Stab	19
	Person 4	Crisis Stab	38
Region III	Person 1	Stepdown	41
	Person 2	Stepdown	29
Region IV	Person 1	Crisis Stab	60
	Person 2	Stepdown	73
	Person 3	Crisis Stab	54
Region V	Person 1	Stepdown	11
	Person 2	Stepdown	90

The following table reflects more specific information by person regarding length of stay, region, and type of admission.

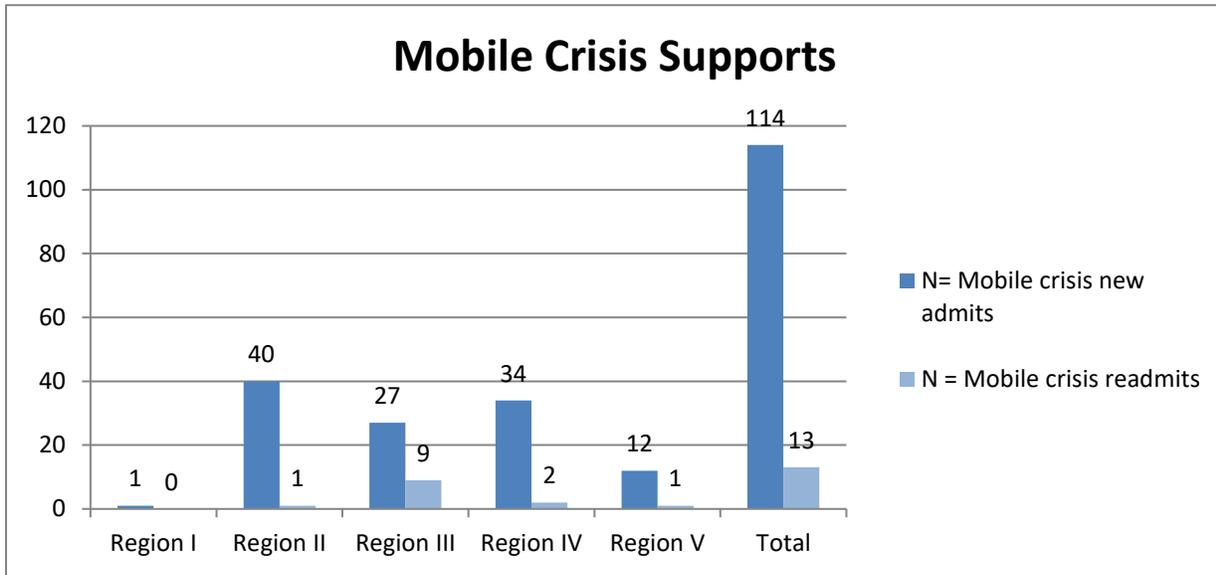
The graph on the next page provides information regarding CTH capacity. Please note that waitlist days are *not* consecutive. This number reflects the cumulative number of days across the quarter when a bed was not available when requested for an *appropriate* admission to the CTH. The information provided in the graph includes both the number of days when each of the five CTHs was at capacity in the quarter and how many of the beds were utilized. The bed utilization rate for the Crisis Therapeutic Homes ranged from 14% to 70% during the first quarter. Admissions were below occupancy rate in all Crisis Therapeutic homes (CTH). Occupancy this quarter in Regions I through V for bed utilization was 14%, 70%, 53%, 18% and 57%, respectively. All five regional REACH programs experienced the impact of a continued nationwide staffing shortage which impacted the ability to maintain full occupancy of 6 beds due to health and safety guidelines impacting available staff to client ratio as licensed providers during the first quarter of FY23.



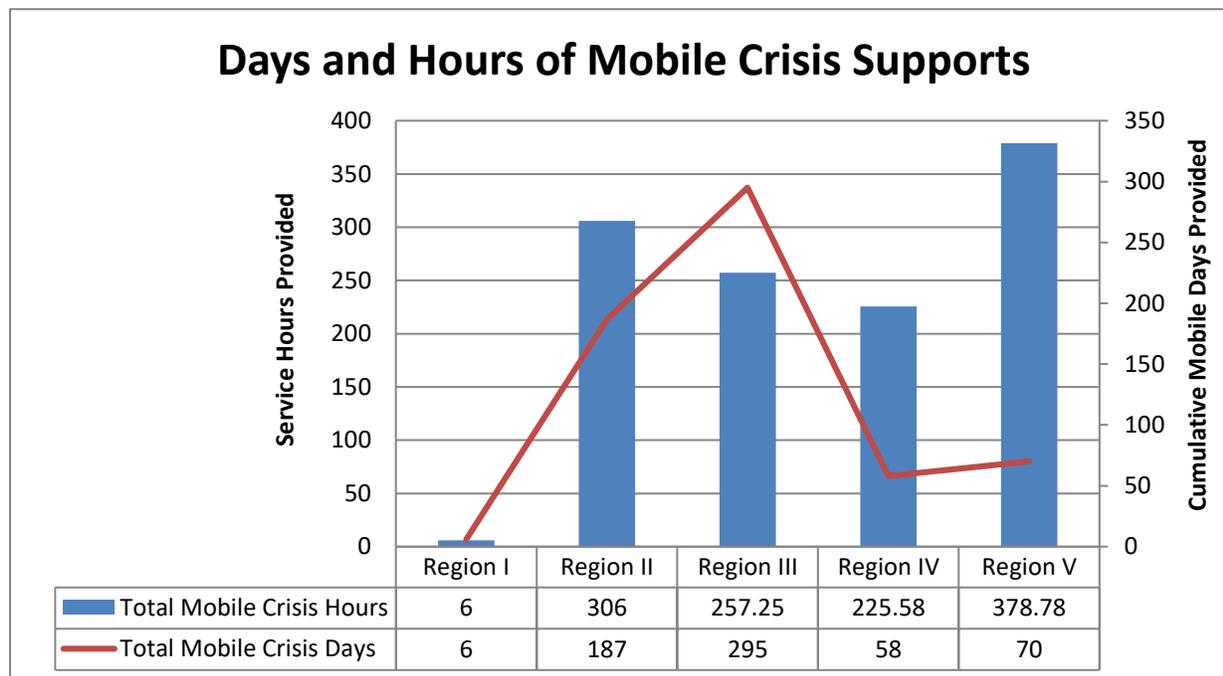
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### Community Mobile Crisis Stabilization

Community-based, mobile crisis supports are one of the key services that the REACH programs provide. These services are provided in the home or community setting as an immediate result of a crisis event. It is especially important to the REACH model because it impacts and benefits not only the individual but their immediate support system as well. Generally, these supports are successful in stabilizing the situation and being part of the solution for obviating out-of-home placement. The chart on the next page depicts admissions activity for the community mobile crisis supports provided by the regional programs. The total number of new admissions supported through mobile crisis services increased this quarter with 84 in FY22Q4 and 114 in FY23Q1. The total number of readmissions increased this quarter with 12 in FY23Q4 to and 13 in FY23Q1.



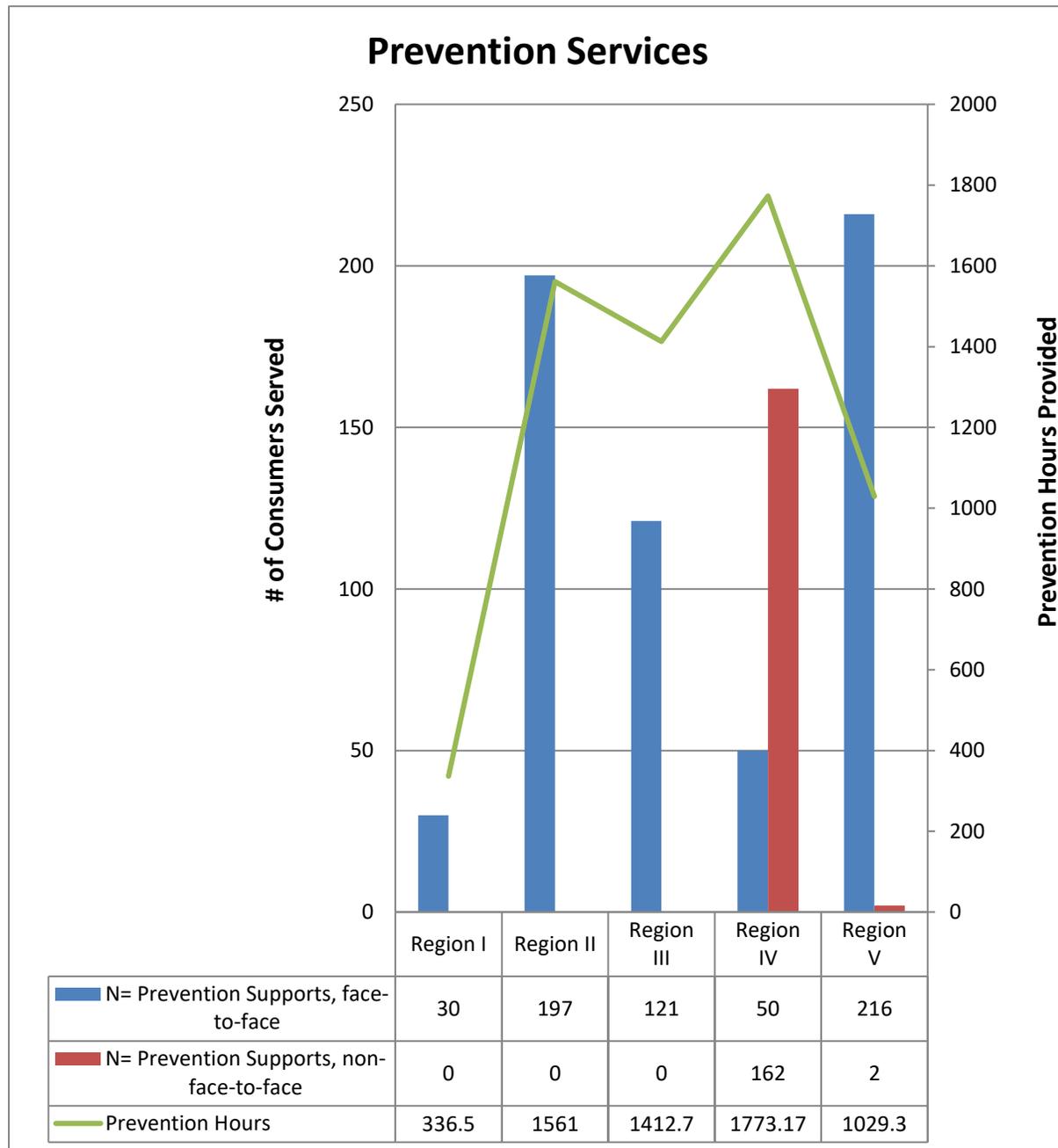
In addition to collecting information related to the number of admissions into the mobile crisis supports, data related to service provision is also collected for review. The chart below summarizes both the number of hours of crisis intervention and/or stabilization services offered by each region. On the secondary axis, the cumulative number of mobile days provided to the individuals and families/providers across the quarter is shown.



Mobile crisis stabilization services typically involve REACH clinicians going to the homes, day program, work site, or recreational site frequented by the individual to work with them on developing and practicing coping skills, and problem solving situations that arise in the settings where they spend their time. Concurrently, they assist care providers in learning to work successfully with the people they serve. This may involve helping them to effectively coach the individual through the use of a coping strategy during periods of distress, enhancing their communication skills, or making modifications to the environment or daily routine. Overall, the regional programs provided a significant increase in crisis hours from 579.63 in FY22Q4 to 1173.61 in FY23Q1 of mobile crisis supports across 616 days. Generally, individuals are provided with crisis service for about 3 to 5 days with a targeted average per day of 2 hours. The first quarter data shows a range of between 1-15 days of services provided with a range of 6.0 to 29.1 average hours per case. All regions continued to provide a mix of in-person and telehealth due to the pandemic. All regions are actively working to return to in face to face/in person crisis response as staffing numbers increase and COVID precautions reduce across all regions. Data for the present quarter regarding the range in crisis service days, as well as the average number of days and hours crisis supports were in place, is as follows

Service Unit	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V
Range of Days	6	1-6	1-15	1-10	3-15
Average Days/ Case	6.0	4.6	8.2	9.4	5.4
Average Hours/Day	1.0	1.6	0.9	0.7	5.4
Average Hours/Case	6.0	7.5	7.1	6.3	29.1

REACH also provides ongoing community based services to the individuals and their support system that is more “preventative” in nature. Mobile prevention services consist of face to face, community based services that target deterring future crisis situations via ongoing education and practice on emerging skills, training on individualized strategies with the support system, and continued linkages to other necessary services as needed. In comparison to mobile crisis supports, mobile prevention services are provided at a titrated frequency and do not occur as the immediate result of a crisis situation. More specifically, individuals included in mobile prevention services may be those who stepped down from mobile crisis support or those that were referred to the program in a non-crisis situation. At times, prevention services may include individuals who are offered mobile crisis support immediately following a REACH crisis response but do not elect to access REACH services until sometime after the crisis was stabilized. FY23 quarter one as in the previous quarter were impacted by COVID precautions, all prevention services (e.g. telephonic communication); are included in the total number of prevention hours provided, across each program. These metrics are displayed via the blue column, red column, and green line, respectively, with the green line corresponding to the secondary y-axis. It should be noted that in previous reports, only total prevention hours by program have been displayed.

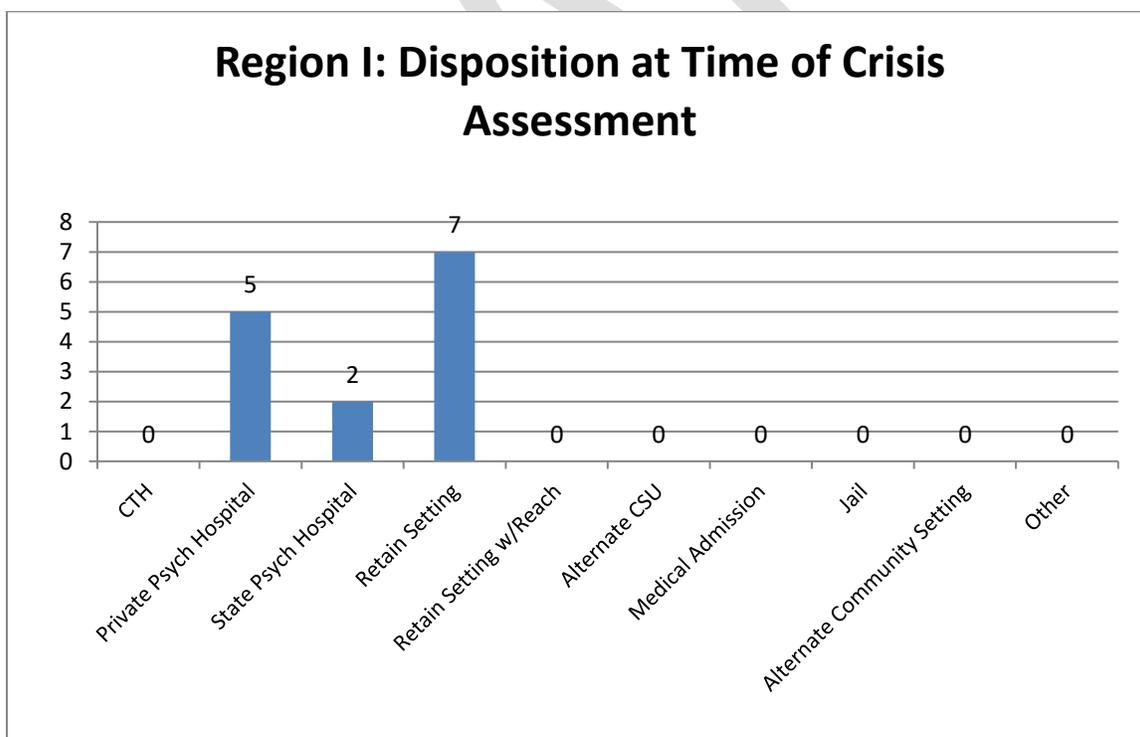


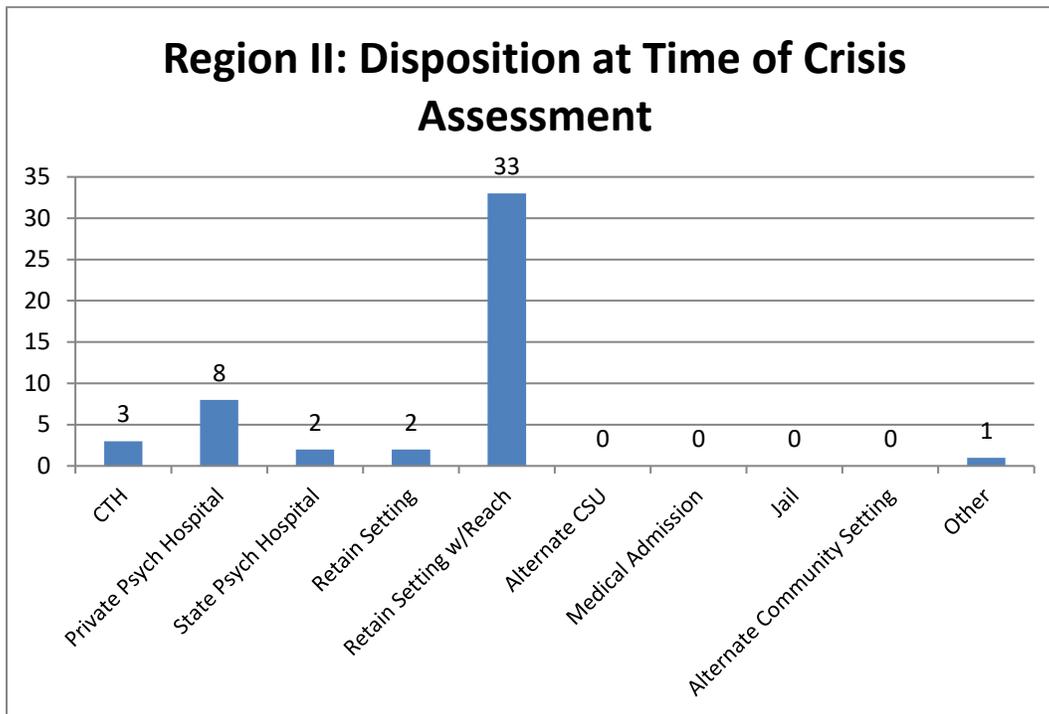
The total number of individuals receiving face-to-face prevention for FY23Q1 was 614. The total number of prevention hours provided by all programs in quarter one was 6112.67; a significant increase from FY22Q4 at 4886.52.

### Crisis Service Outcomes/Dispositions

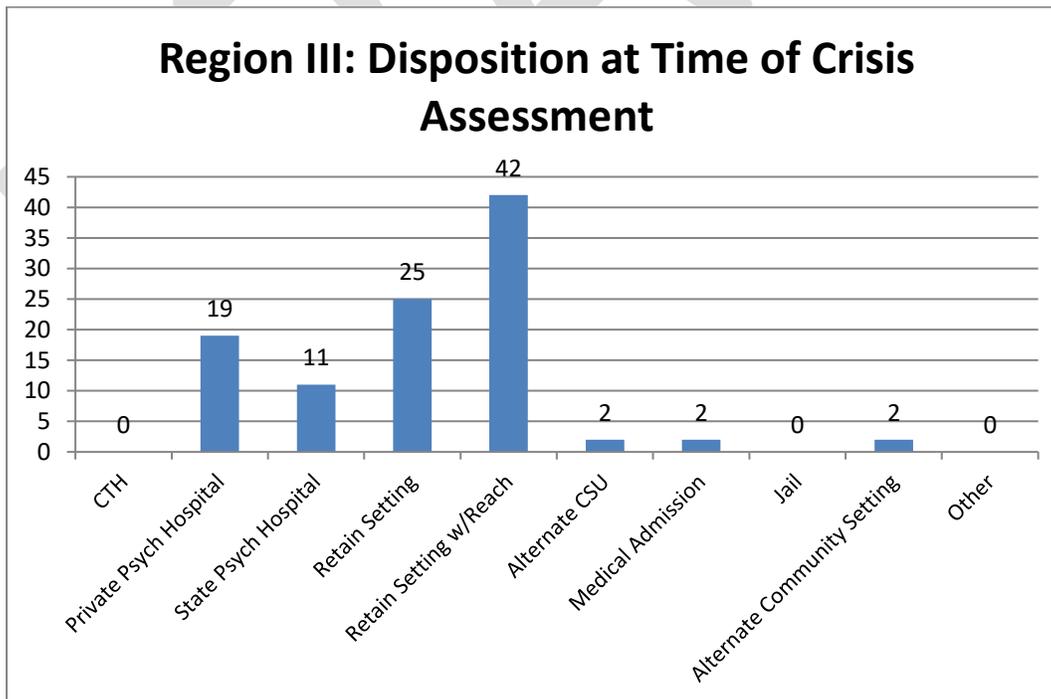
Maintaining residential stability and community integration is one of the primary goals of the REACH programs. Disposition data from three different perspectives are considered in this report. First, what is the outcome when a crisis assessment is needed? Second, what is the outcome when one is admitted to the CTH? Third, what is the outcome when mobile crisis or prevention supports are put in place to stabilize the situation and avoid the need for CTH admission, hospitalization, or some other disposition that involves disrupting the person’s residential setting?

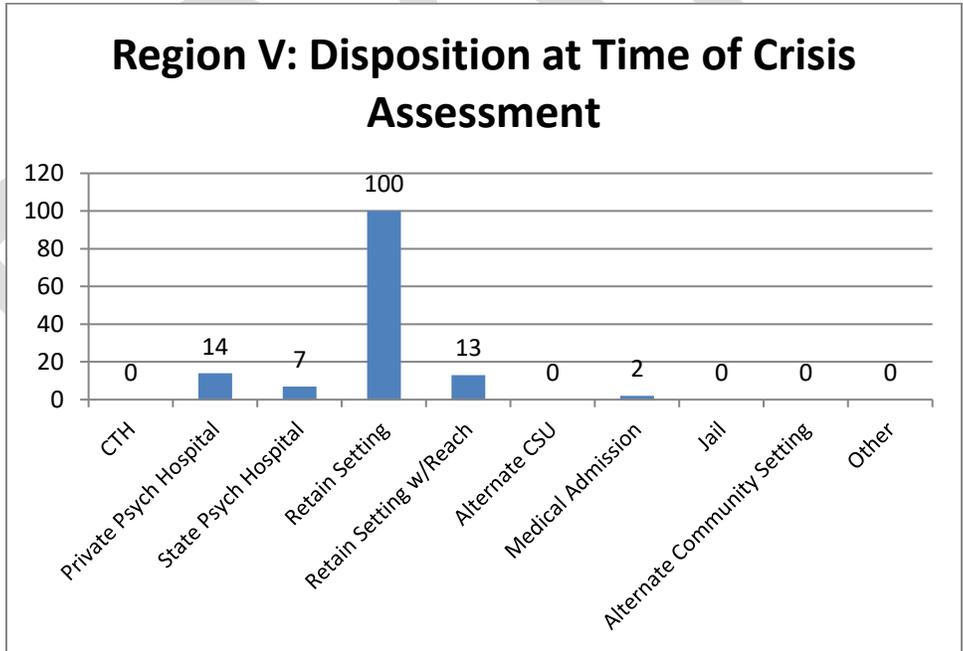
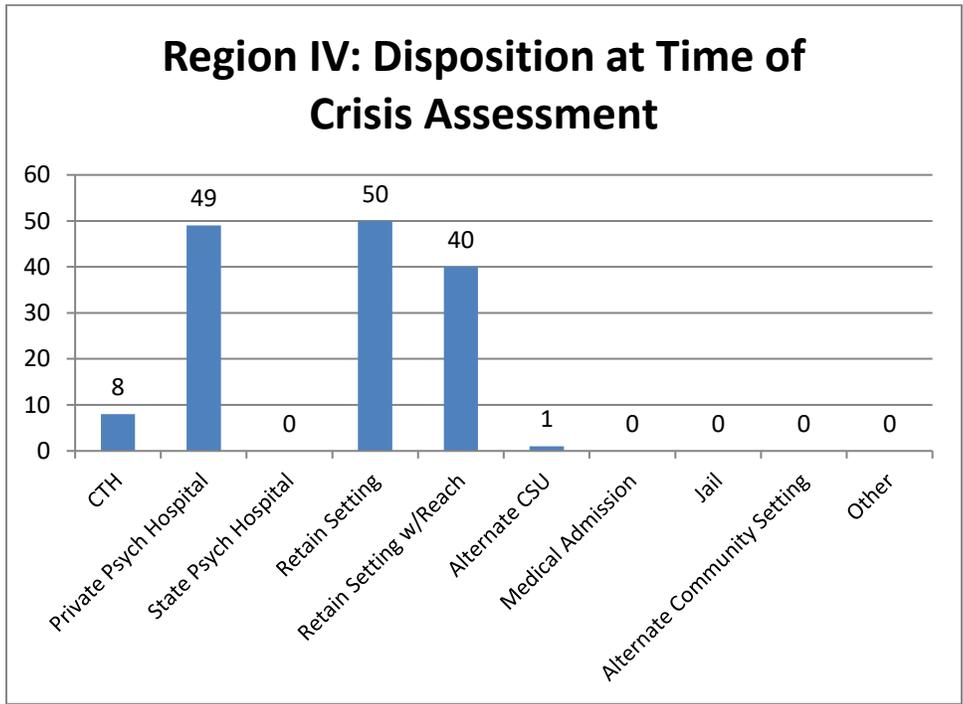
For this quarter, 41% of the individuals receiving a crisis assessment were able to retain their original residential setting, 28% of individuals were able to retain their setting with REACH support, 2% were diverted to a CTH, 1% of individuals diverted to an alternate CSU or residential setting, and 21% were psychiatrically hospitalized in a private hospital, while 5% were hospitalized in a state psychiatric hospital, 1% were medically hospitalized and .44% (2 individuals) received alternative crisis supports. The following graphs display the outcomes of the crisis assessments across each regional program.





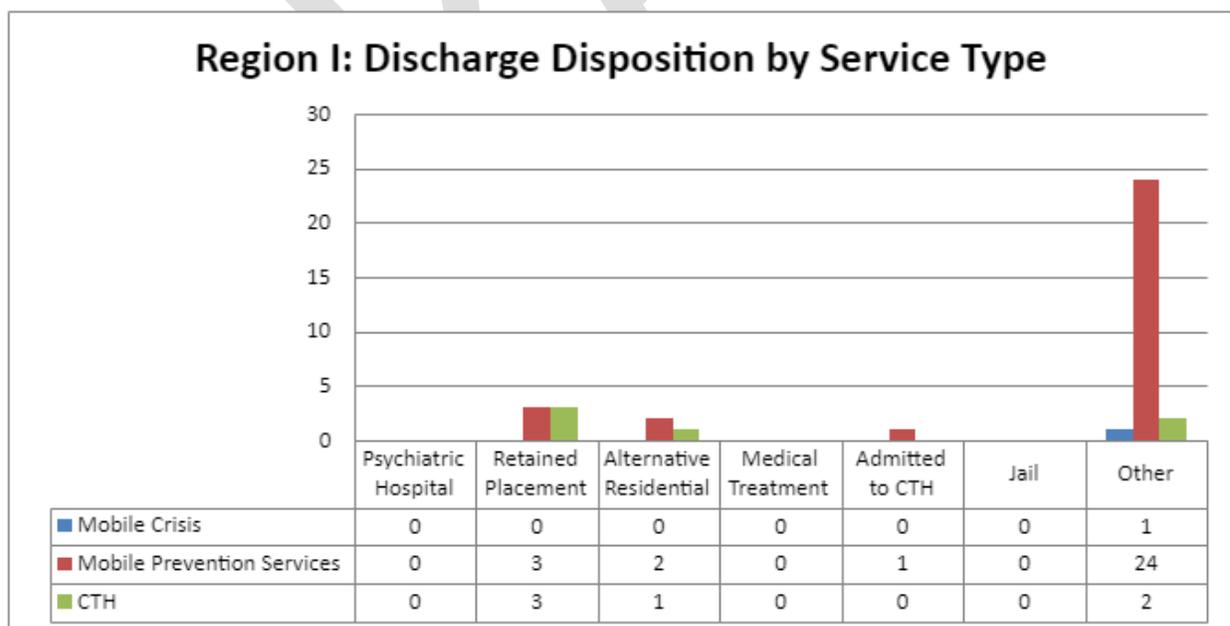
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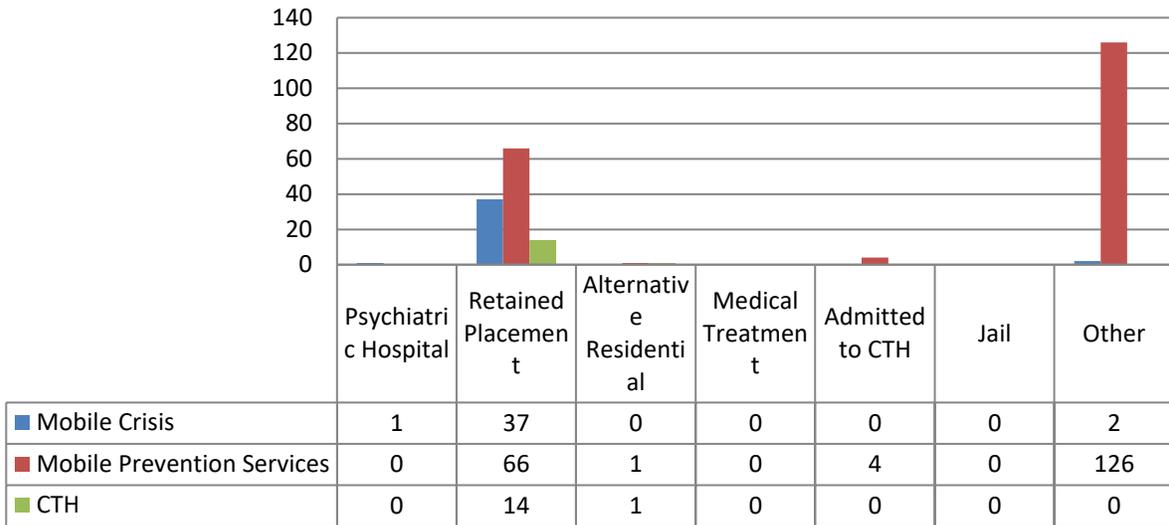
Outcomes that are also of interest are those for individuals that have accessed REACH mobile crisis and mobile prevention services during the quarter in addition to the CTH. Similar to the preceding set of graphs, the following graphs provide a summary of outcome status for adults that accessed ongoing REACH services during the FY23 first quarter. Outcomes for individuals admitted to the CTH and discharged this quarter, including those admitted previously and discharged, 83.3% were able to return to their original residence or went to a new residence post discharge, 4% of outcomes for individuals at the CTH resulted in a psychiatric hospitalization, 0 were detained by law enforcement and the remaining individuals who had other outcomes include ATH admission, CTH or leaving without completing services. Two guests remained admitted to regional CTH's at the end of the quarter. For all admissions receiving mobile crisis supports, 90.4 % remained in their residence, 3.97% were psychiatrically hospitalized during the course of mobile services, and the remaining 5.56% remained admitted or had other outcomes. Based on reported data on the outcomes of adults in REACH mobile prevention services, 74.93% retained their setting or went to an alternative residential community setting, 4.42% were hospitalized, and 1.74% were admitted to the CTH and the other remaining individuals were identified as other.

The following graphs display the outcomes of the support services across each regional program. These charts also include outcomes for re-admissions and people carried over and discharged in the quarter.



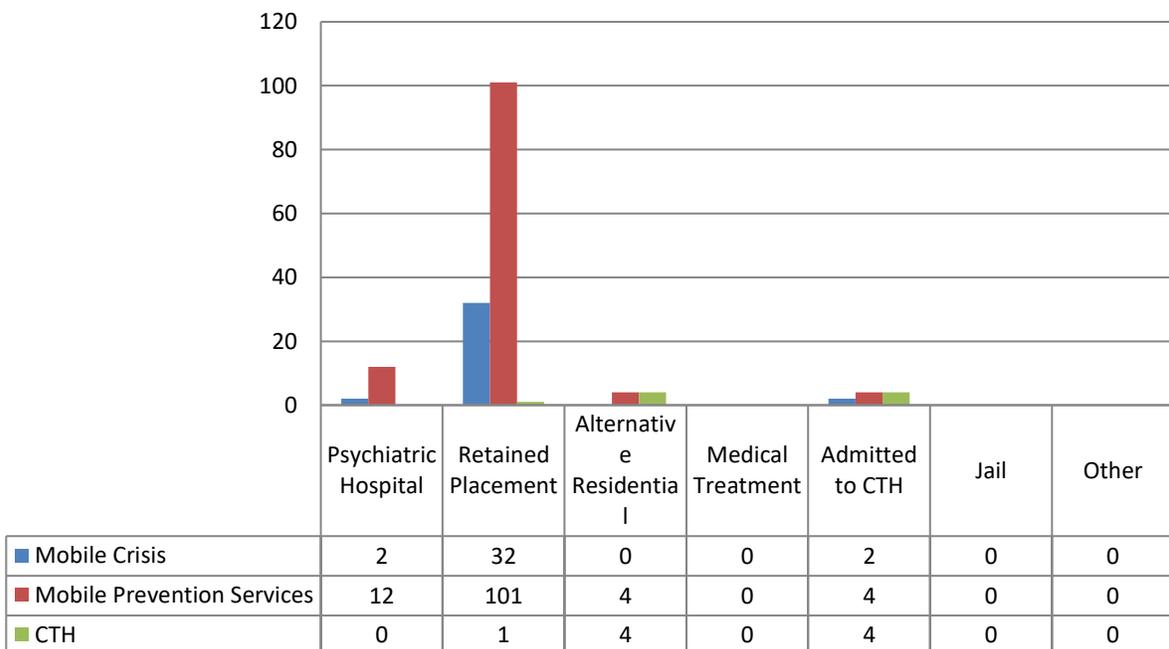
*Other: Still active in CTH, Prevention and Mobile Supports*

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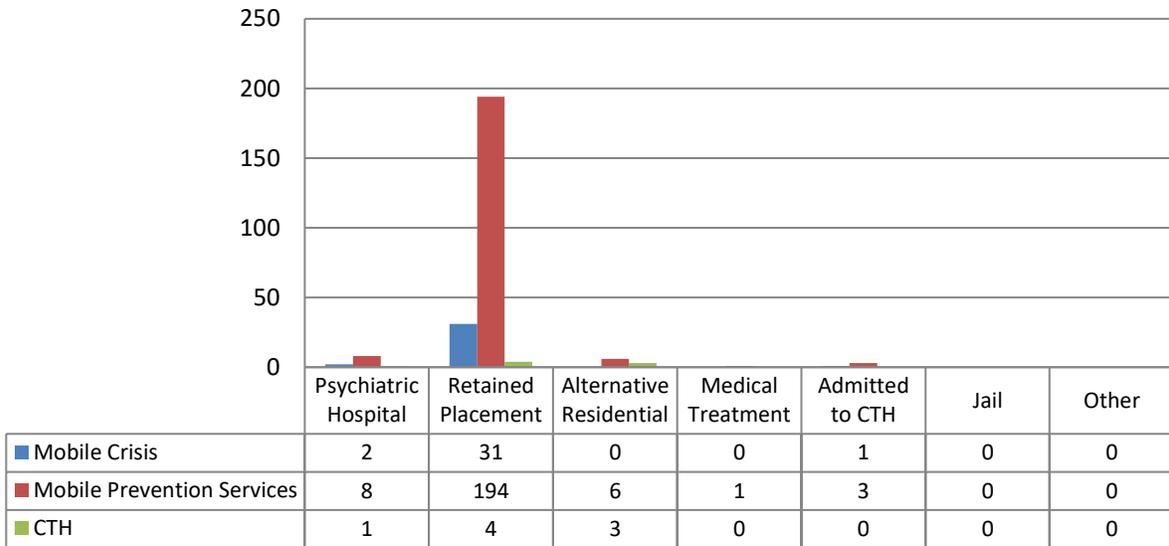


*Other: Carryover and still active in Prevention and Mobile Supports*

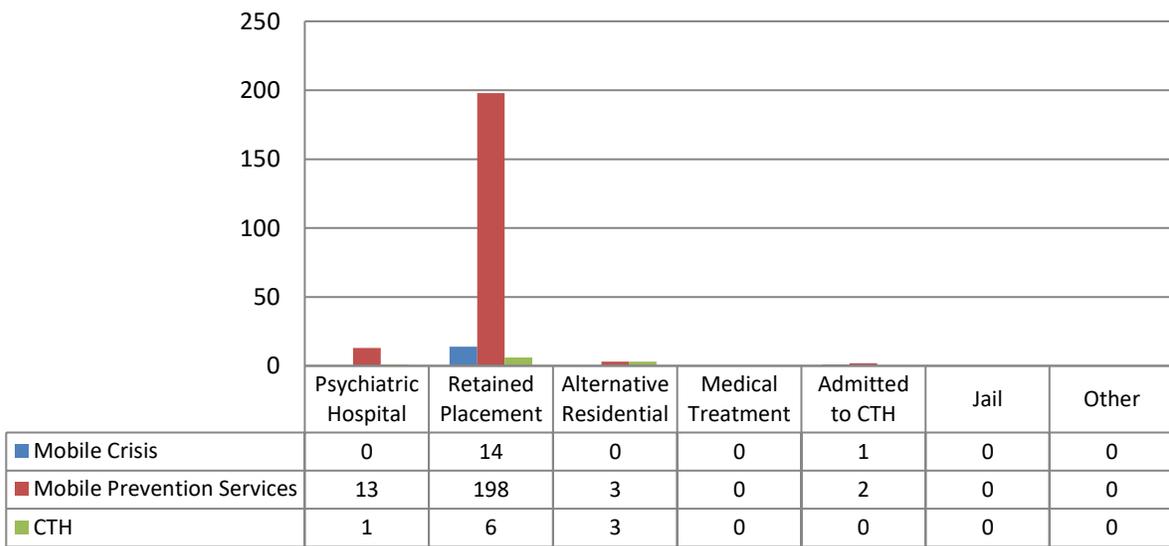
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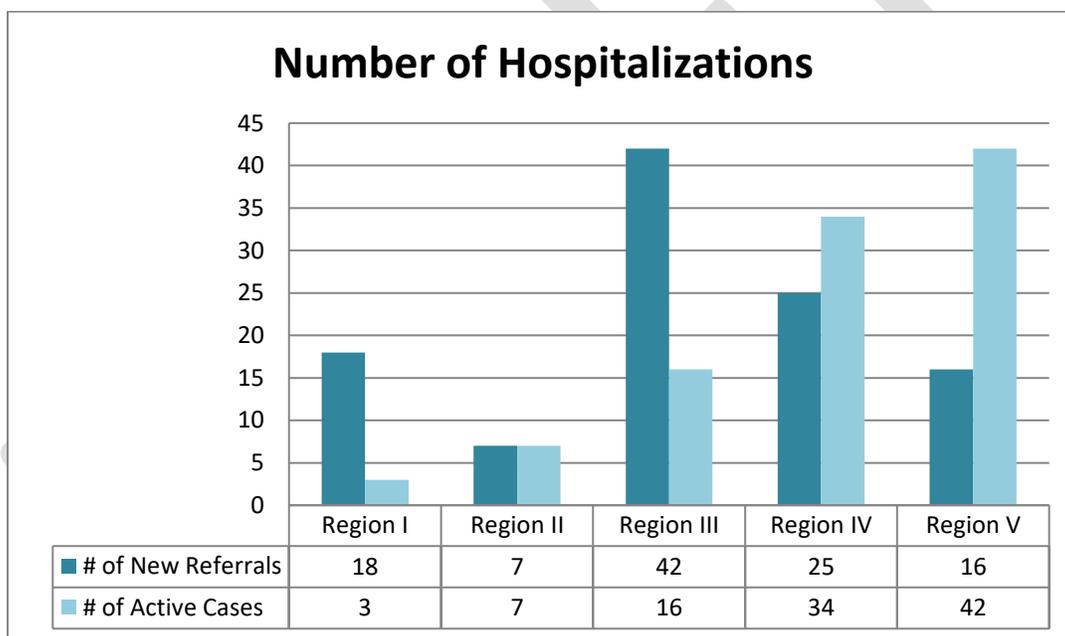


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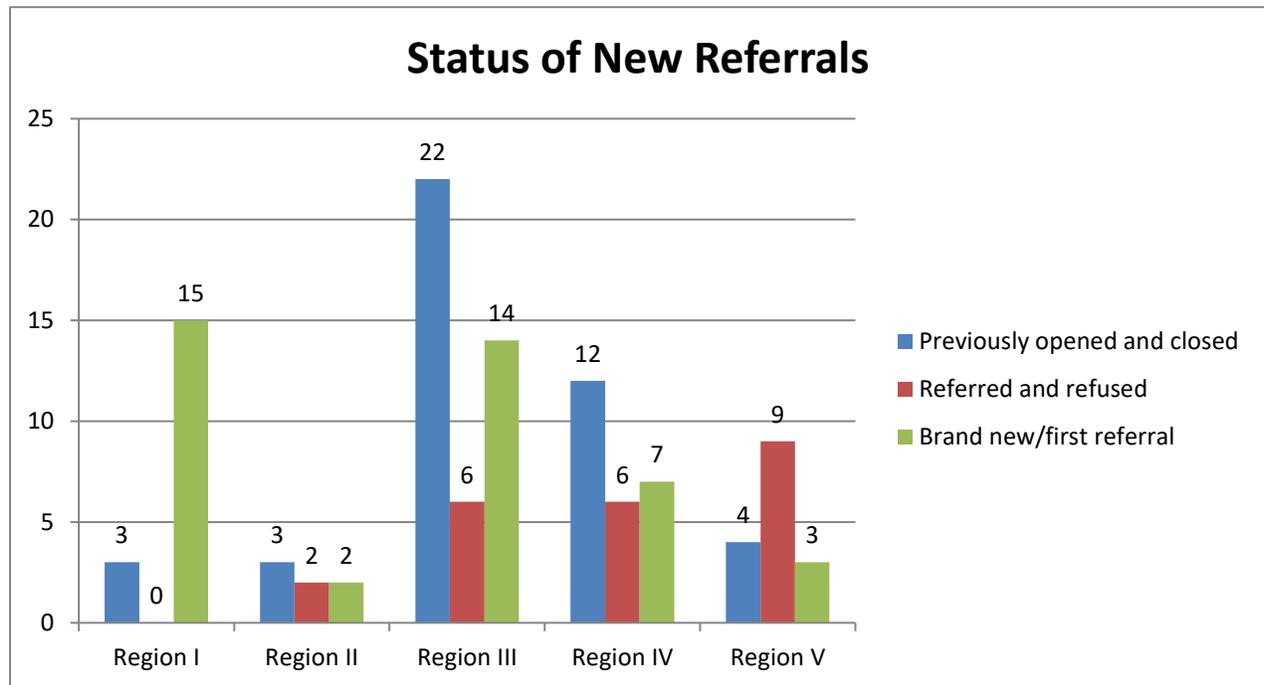


### Hospitalizations

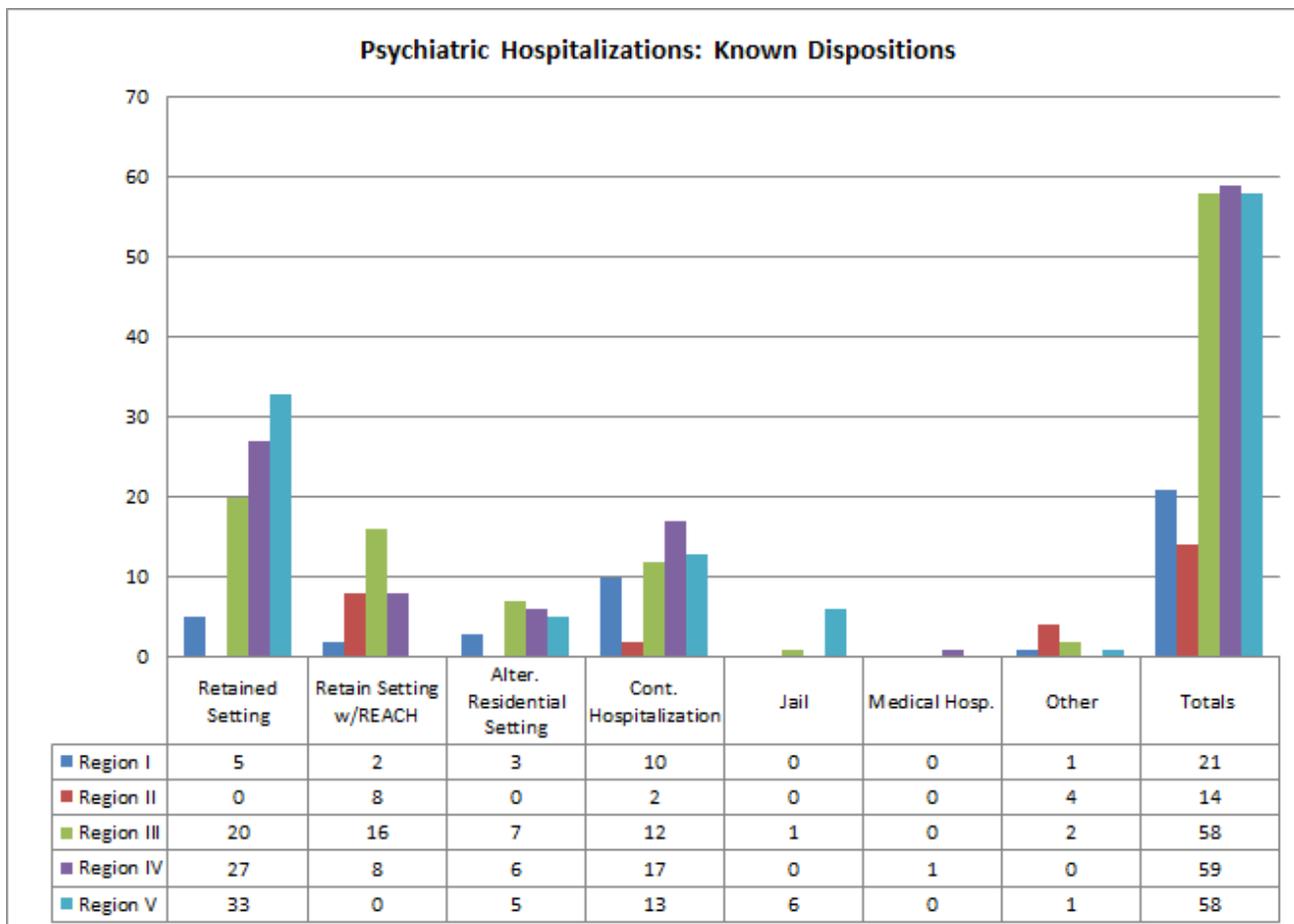
The next graphs provided are intended to supplement the information contained in the larger quarterly report. While the REACH programs remain actively involved with all hospitalized cases *when they are aware of this disposition*, they may not always be apprised that a REACH consumer has been hospitalized or that an individual with DD has entered inpatient treatment as evidenced by the difference in the number of assessments as compared to the number of admissions. While the process of notifying the REACH teams when a prescreening is needed has improved tremendously over the past few years, it remains the case that individuals are sometimes hospitalized without REACH being aware. REACH is active throughout all known psychiatric admissions, including attending commitment hearings, attending treatment team meetings, providing supportive visits, and consultation to the treatment team.



The programs are tracking new referrals according to whether individuals previously received supports through REACH and were closed, were referred but refused follow up services, or were first time referrals.



Thirty-seven percent (37.9%) of all hospitalizations were “new referrals” to the REACH program. Of the **new** referrals to REACH that were hospitalized, 38% of the individuals were new to the program, 21.2% were referred to REACH but refused services, and 40.7% had been previously discharged (inactive) from REACH services. Of the known dispositions of the people hospitalized and discharged, 60.9% retained their original community home and 10% went to an alternative community setting. Refer to the chart on the following page for a more detailed breakdown of outcomes.



*Other: CTH admissions, hotel, homeless shelter.*

### SERVICE ELEMENTS

Each of the five regional REACH programs provides an array of services to individuals enrolled. These services include prevention and education services, assessment services, and consultation services. The REACH staff also provide training to providers/families on the Crisis Education Prevention Plan (CEPP) developed during the guest’s stay at the CTH or when receiving mobile crisis services. In some instance the CEPP may not be updated as the plan may be clinically accurate as it may have been recently updated such as in the case of a readmission into service or a transfer of service (mobile to CTH admission) within the quarter. A compliance indicator target has been set related to mobile crisis services of *86% of families and providers will receive training in implementing CEPPs*. Excluding the CEPPs that did not require an update and a subsequent training, the combined REACH programs trained providers/families on 99% of the mobile crisis CEPPs this quarter. The data for Mobile crisis supports is as follows: Each region makes

continuous attempts to schedule training and follow up into the next quarter for those who carry over due to continued admission or admitting late in the quarter. Respectively Regions I through V completed the following percentages of the required training for mobile supports: 100%; 100%; 100%; 100%; and 88%. The reasons identified for those not completing training this quarter is as follows: Multiple included serviced ended at end of quarter and not due, teams or individuals declined training, medical admission, still admitted to service.

The tables below summarize the services provided in each of the REACH program components.

Service Type: Crisis Stabilization (CTH)					
Service Type Delivered per Case	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V
Comprehensive Evaluation	2	3	2	6	5
Consultation	2	3	2	6	5
Crisis Education Prevention Plan	1	2	2	6	1
Provider Training	0	2	2	6	1

R1 2 individuals still admitted, 1 CEPP completed and training not due for 2. R2 1 individual is still admitted/training not due. R5 2 trainings not completed due to no updated needed, individuals retained placement, 1 left AMA and 1 still admitted in CTH

Service Type Provided: Planned Prevention (CTH)					
Service Type Delivered Per Case	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V
Comprehensive Evaluation	2	5	1	0	0
Consultation	2	5	1	0	0
Crisis Education Prevention Plan	2	4	1	0	0
Provider Training	2	3	1	0	0

R2: 1 CEPP training scheduled, 1 scheduled for training.

Service Type: Crisis Stepdown (CTH)					
Service Type Delivered per Case	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V
Comprehensive Evaluation	0	7	3	2	6
Consultation	0	7	3	2	6
Crisis Education Prevention Plan	0	5	3	1	0
Provider Training	0	5	2	1	3

R2 not trained due to still being admitted. R3: looking for provider. R4 not yet discharged, in development R5 5 CEPP previously completed no update/training needed. 1 completed out of region.

Service Type Provided: Mobile Crisis Support					
Service Type	Region I	Region II	Region III	Region IV	Region V
Comprehensive Evaluation	1	41	36	36	13
Consultation	1	41	36	37	13
Crisis Education Prevention Plan	0	37	29	37	8
Provider Training	0	30	29	37	12

R1: 1 remains at CTH. R2 CEPPS: 4 still admitted for carry over, R2 training 4 teams not responding to receive training, 4 carry over to 2nd QTR to train, 2 families declined, 1 ended late in QTR training in 2nd QTR, 1 canceled due to readmit. R4: carryover from last QR, new evaluation not needed. R5 5 CEPPs previously developed update not necessary.

### REACH Training Activities

In addition to the training REACH programs provide to their staff, REACH continues to expand its role as a training resource for the community of support for those individuals with DD. The REACH programs offered numerous training programs this quarter which enabled 832 community partners to receive this training.

The table below provides a summary of attendance numbers for various trainings completed by the REACH programs. These trainings target the information needed by professionals in various work settings and are generally tailored to the specific needs of the audience. The training numbers listed in the table is in addition to the training provided to individuals and their respective support system.

Community Training Provided						
Training Activity	Region I	*Region II	*Region III	*Region IV	*Region V	Totals
CIT/Police: #Trained	20	85	29	25	41	200
Case Managers/Support Coordinators	0	9	0	7	8	24
Emergency Service Workers: #Trained	0	2	5	26	2	35
Family Members: #Trained	0	8	0	0	1	9
Hospital Staff: #Trained	0	0	0	1	0	1
DD Provider: #Trained	0	46	13	92	0	151
Other Community Partner: #Trained	44	39	237	92	0	412
<b>Totals</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>284</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>832</b>

\*Duplicate counts with Children for training in Regions II, III, IV, and V.

### Summary

This report provides a summary of data for the regional adult REACH programs for the first quarter of fiscal year 2023. In keeping with the DBHDS' vision, all five of the programs continue to focus on mobile crisis and prevention work with adults and outreach with the systems that support these individuals. DBHDS began training the system of providers including REACH for adult mobile crisis to support training to enhance staff clinical skills this quarter. The Department continues to review the consistency of clinical practice, training requirements, and documentation across all of

the REACH Programs. During FY23Q1 the REACH regional programs continued to experience the impact of COVID and the national staffing shortage inclusive of both recruiting and retention of qualified staff. All programs are actively recruiting for qualified DSP, CSP, QMHP, LMHP types and nurses. The programs continue to work to retain those qualified and veteran staff within the programs. The combination of staffing shortage and COVID cases have resulted in temporary census to ensure REACH programs are meeting licensing requirements for those requiring an increased level of care during their admission for crisis services. Telehealth continued to be utilized for some level of crisis calls with all five regional programs developing a plan to return to in person, face to face response.

The Department remains committed to fulfilling its mission to have a continuum of qualified care for adults with developmental disabilities and their families across the Commonwealth.

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