

CHILDREN'S INITIATIVES
2022 REPORT TO THE
COMMUNITY
DECEMBER 1ST, 2022

Encouraging One Another Through Change



WAYNE COUNTY SYSTEM OF CARE

SYSTEMS IN ACTION FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES



We set limits beyond the sky, our youth are soaring in their planes,
We are decreasing stigma, as we break through the chains,
We are joining our hands as we shift through new lanes,
And we are empowering each other in a positive domain,
While working with families we continue expanding our range,
Another successful year with more smiles to exchange,
We continue to increase the activities we arrange,
And as a team we encourage one another through change!

Original Poem by Tyanna D. McClain,
The Children's Center

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“There can be no keener revelation of a society’s soul than the way in which it treats its children.” — Nelson Mandela, Former President of South Africa



On behalf of the Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network and its Board of Directors, I am pleased to offer my heartfelt congratulations on another successful year of putting children and families first.

This past year DWIHN began placing special emphasis on children, the branding campaign launched in early 2022 and was called, “Mental Health Care: Putting Children First”. This began with a series of billboards and educational messaging throughout Wayne County and continues today. This call to action is an opportunity for us to continue to provide quality integrated behavioral healthcare to children and families. Through community partnerships we are focusing on the theme of Encouraging Through Change, which looks to the future on how to better serve persons through innovation, technology, and community engagement.

Some of the change that took place this past year includes the enhancement of wraparound services for people with intellectual and developmental disabilities, the implementation of a pilot program for youth in the welfare system receiving trauma screenings as well as updating Sexual Orientation Gender Identity and Expression (SOGIE) language into the biopsychosocial assessment within the electronic health record. All of these changes have been instrumental in assessing what children and families need and a way for DWIHN to measure and assess the competency of these and other programs. Of course, none of this change would be possible if it were not for the exemplary work of our service providers within the Connections System of Care. Thank you to all of you who work day in and day out, making sure the children, youth and families in Wayne County are receiving the adequate services and support needed to live and work in the community. Your service is admirable and we applaud you for your service.

This next year will be exciting as we open up our first Crisis Care Center for adults and children in the heart of the city and transform another building into a regional behavioral health campus providing integrated physical and behavioral health services for the region.

As we move forward into a new year, I will continue to dedicate myself to the DWIHN mission of putting people first. I am proud to stand alongside you and serve.

Eric Doeh

President and Chief Executive Officer



Dear Community Partners and Stakeholders,

On behalf of Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWIHN) Children's Initiative Department, I say "Thank You!" Thank you to all of our community partners and stakeholders for serving children, youth, and families who are the most in need. Our Report to the Community Theme this year is "Encouraging Through Change." This theme reflects how our Wayne County System of Care continues to show resiliency, strength, and encouragement during such a year of uncertainty and various changes.

Resiliency is the power or the ability to return to the original form after being bent, compressed, or stretched. As we are making it through the Covid 19 pandemic, we might not be able to return to our original state; but it brings me joy to know we are working through these challenging times together as a system of care. There have been many changes; yet, we continue to make progress and many strides with our goals. This past year we continued to provide telehealth services for children, youth, and families during the Covid 19 pandemic. We implemented a Value Based Incentive model for Children Providers to receive additional funds for meeting performance indicators. DWIHN partnered with MDHHS to pilot the use of trauma assessments for children connected to the child welfare system and to assist with connecting to community mental health services. We also partnered with Children Providers and Universities to host career fairs to address workforce shortage. We are also looking to expand STEAM within our community of care and hosted an event with Detroit Chempreneurist where youth K-12 learned the importance of entrepreneurship and while making their own self-care products.

As I am listing all of these accomplishments I am still amazed of all that has been done. I look forward to our continued collaboration with all of our community partners and stakeholders as we go into the next year. As the Kid President, famous YouTube personality, mentioned in his For the Heroes speech, "We are ordinary people doing extraordinary things." We might not always have all of the resources to meet the needs of our community; yet, we are resilient, we are strong, and we will continue to strive to put children first!

Cassandra Phipps LPC, LLP, CAADC
Director of Children's Initiative

Connections History Highlights

1980s

IN 1984 CONGRESS APPROPRIATES FUNDS FOR THE CHILD AND ADOLESCENT SERVICE SYSTEM PROGRAM (CASSP) MOVING STATES TOWARD A SYSTEM OF CARE PHILOSOPHY – LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR SUPPORTS AND SERVICES TODAY.

THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ALLOCATES CASSP GRANT FUNDS TO BEGIN COORDINATING A SYSTEM OF CARE (SOC) APPROACH. IN 1992, SUBSTANCE ABUSE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (SAMHSA) LAUNCHES A COMPETITIVE GRANT PROGRAM TO TRANSLATE THE SYSTEM OF CARE CONCEPT INTO SYSTEMS REFORMS AND CONCRETE SERVICES TO BENEFIT CHILDREN, YOUTH AND FAMILIES.

1990s

DWIHN DEVELOPS THE CHILDREN'S INITIATIVES. IN 2003 "YOUTH UNITED" IS CREATED. IN 2009 THE HUMAN SERVICES COMMUNITY COLLABORATIVE (HSCC) IS ASSEMBLED TO PROVIDE A FRAMEWORK FOR SOC ACTIVITIES AND SUSTAINABILITY. WAYNE COUNTY SYSTEMS OF CARE IS RENAMED CONNECTIONS.

2000s

FAMILY ALLIANCE FOR CHANGE (FAFC) IS FORMED TO ADVISE CONNECTIONS' LEADERSHIP, PROVIDE SUPPORT TO PARENTS, AND ADVOCATE FOR CHILDREN. CONNECTIONS COLLABORATES WITH THE RUTH ELLIS CENTER TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO CULTURALLY COMPETENT SERVICES FOR LGBTQ+ CHILDREN AND YOUTH. THE PARENT AND YOUTH ADVISORY COUNCIL FORMS TO AUGMENT PARENT AND YOUTH VOICE. THE CROSSOVER YOUTH PRACTICE MODEL IS IMPLEMENTED TO EXPAND RESOURCES AND BETTER SERVE YOUTH WITHIN JUVENILE JUSTICE AND CHILD WELFARE SYSTEMS. CONNECTIONS BEGINS BUILDING A TRAUMA INFORMED SYSTEM OF CARE.

2010s

THE SCHOOL-BASED MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE IS LAUNCHED. THE AUTISM APPLIED BEHAVIORAL ANALYSIS (ABA) BENEFIT MOVES TO CHILDREN'S INITIATIVES TO EXPAND THE CONTINUUM OF CARE FOR CHILDREN. UTILIZATION MANAGEMENT (UM) SERVICE GUIDELINES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH ARE DEVELOPED. SERVICES FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH DIAGNOSED WITH INTELLECTUAL/DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES ARE INTEGRATED WITHIN CONNECTIONS' SYSTEM OF CARE. IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19, TELEHEALTH SERVICES ARE IMPLEMENTED TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO CARE.

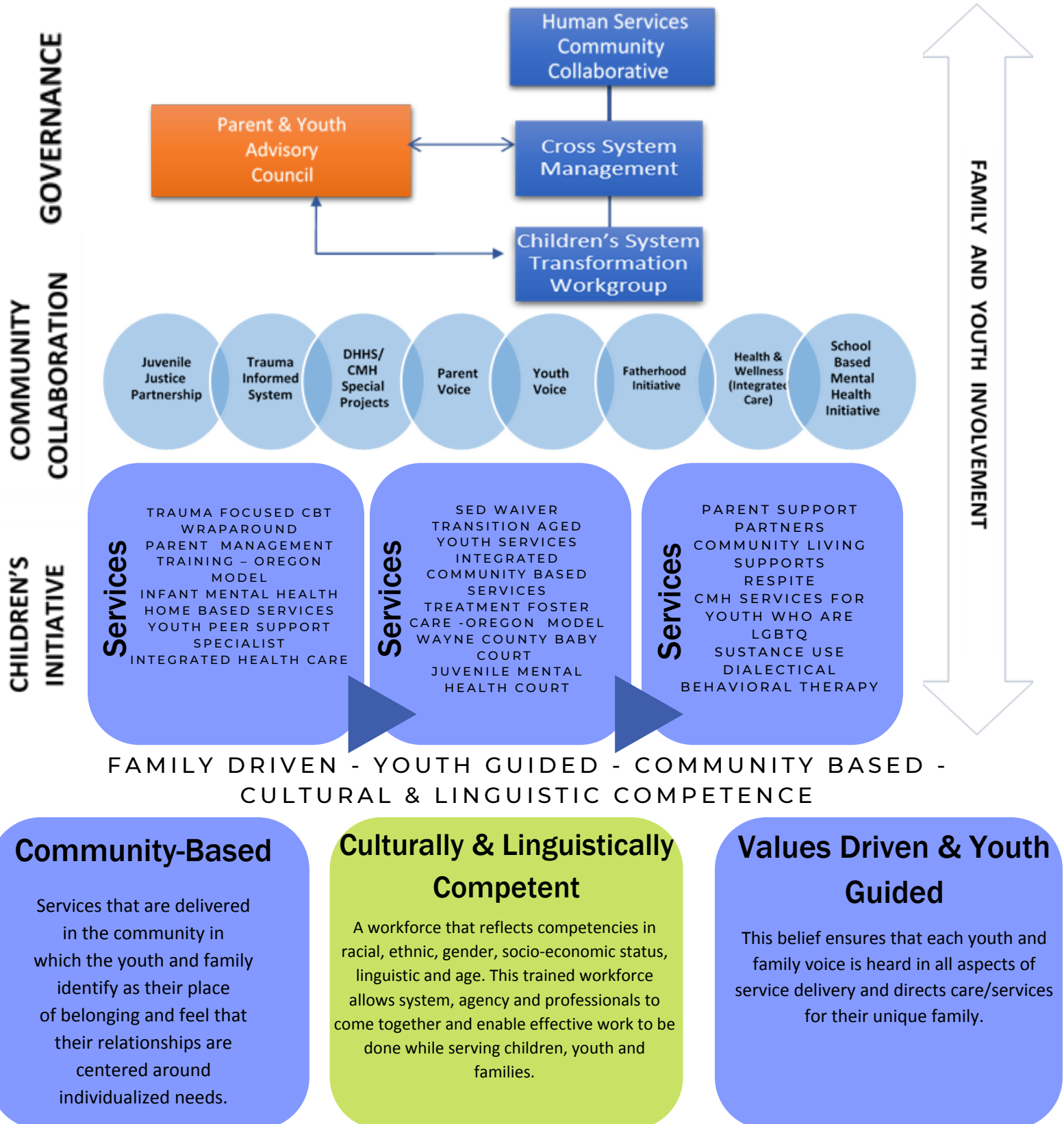
2020s

DWIHN CONTINUES TO PROVIDE TELEHEALTH SERVICES FOR CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES. A VALUE BASED INCENTIVE MODEL FOR CHILDREN'S PROVIDERS WAS IMPLEMENTED. UPDATED THE INTEGRATED BIOPSYCHOSOCIAL ASSESSMENT TO INCLUDE SEXUAL ORIENTATION GENDER IDENTITY EXPRESSION (SOGIE) LANGUAGE ALONG WITH TRAININGS. EXPANDED WRAP AROUND SERVICES FOR MEMBERS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES. PILOTED RECEIVING TRAUMA ASSESSMENTS FOR CHILDREN CONNECTED TO THE CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM AND CONNECTING TO COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. HOSTED CAREER FAIRS. CLINICIANS PARTICIPATED IN THE FIRST COMPONENTS FOR ENHANCING CLINICIAN EXPERIENCE AND REDUCING TRAUMA (CE CERT) EVIDENCED BASED PRACTICE COHORT. CONNECTED WITH DETROIT CHEMPRENEURIST TO TEACH YOUTH K-12 ENTREPRENEURSHIP SKILLS. GIFTED IPADS TO YOUTH UNITED SPOTLIGHT AWARDS WINNERS.



CONNECTIONS- SYSTEM OF CARE OVERVIEW

System of Care is an approach to services that recognizes the importance of family, school and community, and seeks to promote the full potential of every child and youth by addressing their physical, emotional, intellectual, cultural and social needs.



STRUCTURE & GOVERNANCE

Human Services Community Collaborative (HSCC) is a body of leaders working together to establish and maintain a barrier free continuum of services for children and their families. As the governing body for Wayne County's Connections System of Care, membership includes representatives from law enforcement, education, community mental health, substance use, child welfare, juvenile justice, public health and court systems. Guided by the vision of enriching lives through collaboration, the HSCC works to identify concerns and initiates action to support children and their families on their paths to success and wellness.

Cross Systems Management (CSM) is a subcommittee comprised of leaders of the system of care partners charged to operationalize system changes within their organization through policy and process development. The team works to: 1. Make policy and practice recommendations to the Human Service Community Collaborative and/or State-level stakeholders; 2. Determine the strategic direction of Connections; and 3. Remove system-level barriers in policy, practice, or non-statutory definitions that impede cross-systems service delivery for Wayne County families.

Children's System Transformation (CST) is a subcommittee of key children's service leaders who assist in defining operational issues, workforce development activities and advising the Director of Children's Initiatives. This action oriented team focuses on sustaining and expanding the Evidence-Based/ Promising Practices of Wayne County Children's Initiatives and on ensuring availability and access to a board array of quality holistic services to the whole youth-behavioral, emotional, physical, social and spiritual.



SYSTEM OF CARE COMMITTEES:

**BABY COURT STEERING COMMITTEE
CHILDREN'S PRACTICE STANDARDS COMMITTEE
CORNERSTONE/YOUTH PEER SUPPORT SPECIALIST WORKGROUP
CROSSOVER YOUTH PRACTICE MODEL IMPLEMENTATION TEAM
DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES SPECIAL
PROJECTS COMMITTEE EARLY CHILDHOOD TASK FORCE
FATHERHOOD INITIATIVE
GREAT START COLLABORATIVE
HOME-BASED MEETING
JUVENILE JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP
PARENT INVOLVEMENT ADVISORY COUNCIL TRAUMA
LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE
WAYNE COUNTY YOUTH INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE
WRAPAROUND PROJECT TEAM**





PARTNERSHIPS

SYSTEM PARTNERS

Detroit Wayne Integrated Health Network (DWIHN)
Detroit Department of Health and Wellness Promotion
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services
Southeast Michigan Community Alliance
Third Judicial Circuit Court of Michigan
Wayne County Health, Human and Veteran Services
Wayne County Regional Educational Service Agency

COMMUNITY PARTNERS

Association for Children's Mental Health
Caleb's Kids
Child's Hope
Detroit Public Schools Community District
Encourage Me, I'm Young
Family Alliance for Change
Journey to Healing
Kid's Health Connections
Michigan Alliance for Families
Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health
Michigan Developmental Disabilities Institute
Neighborhood Services Organization
Ser Metro
Vista Maria
Youth Move National
Michigan State University
University of Michigan
Wayne State University



PARTNERSHIPS: SERVICE PROVIDERS

Acorn Health
Affable Home Healthcare Network Inc.
All Well Being Services
Alternatives for Girls
Arab American and Chaldean Council
Arab Community Center for Economic & Social Services
Attendant Care
Assured Family Services
Autism Spectrum Therapies of Michigan
Behavioral Frontiers
Black Caucus Foundation of Michigan
Black Family Development, Inc.
Bridgeway Services, Inc.
Care First Community Health
Care of Southeast Michigan
CCMO Center for Youth and Families
Centria Healthcare
Chance for Life
Changing Lives and Staying Sober
Chitter Chatter
Clinic for Child Study
Community Living Services
CNS Healthcare
Detroit Association of Black Organizations
Detroit Recovery Project
Development Centers
Empowerment Zone Coalition, Inc.
Gateway Pediatric Therapy, LLC
Growth Works
Healthcall
Hegira Health, Inc.
Insight Youth and Family Connections
Kids-TALK Children's Advocacy Center
Leaders Advancing and Helping Communities
Lincoln Behavioral Services
Livonia Save Our Youth Coalition
Mariners Inn
Merakey Inc.
Metro EHS Pediatric Therapy
Michigan Innovations in Care Coordination
National Council on Alcoholism & Drug Dependence
New Oakland Family Services
Open Door Living Association
Patterns Behavioral Services Inc.
Piast Institute/Hamtramck Drug Free Community Coalition
Positive Behavior Supports Corporation
Positive Images
Psygenics Inc.
Ruth Ellis Center
Social Care Administrators
Southwest Counseling Solutions
Spectrum Child & Family Services
Starfish Family Services
Strategies to Overcome Obstacles and Avoid Recidivism
Taylor Teen Health Center
The Children's Center
The Guidance Center
The Youth Connection
Total Spectrum
Western Wayne CMO
Zelexa Therapy





The Children's System of Care has received Block Grant funding for the 16th year in a row, in the amount of \$1.04 million from the State of Michigan. Funds are used for specialty positions, programs designed to focus on system change, special projects, evaluation, advocating for parent and youth voice, and development of the workforce that serves children, youth and their families in Wayne County.

CONNECTIONS' GOALS

1. Increase access to services
2. Improve quality of services
3. Increase youth and parent voice
4. Improve quality of workforce

CHILDREN AND YOUTH SERVED

17,572 CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES SERVED

11,879 CHILDREN AGED 0-21 WITH A SERIOUS EMOTIONAL DISTURBANCE (SED)

SERVED BY
14 SED PROVIDER AGENCIES

&

5,773 CHILDREN AGED 0-17 WITH AN INTELLECTUAL OR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITY

SERVED BY
13 I/DD PROVIDER AGENCIES

***Note: Q4 data is pending finalized billing claims



Youth and Family Involvement

Designed to promote meaningful youth participation in all aspects of System Of Care. Decision making should start within a youth's personal treatment. Over time, youth leaders can advance to actively participating in agency activities, sitting on committees, and providing feedback for new and/or existing policies and programs. Youth involvement is simply a group of young people coming together to make a difference.

Youth United Events

Children's Mental Health Awareness Event

Theme: "My Mind Matters"

Welcome address by Eric Doeh, Chief Executive Officer of DWIHN; keynote speaker was Frank Blackman, Jr., Mental Health Advocate, who talked about his personal experience of losing a friend in high school to suicide which eventually lead him to becoming a mental health advocate. He also discussed the importance of youth being aware of their mental health. Adrienne McCain, PSP from Hegira Health Inc., presented on youth and self-care. She defined self-care and discussed the importance of self-care. She reviewed the signs of youth burnout and shared self-care strategies for youth to implement. Finally, Danyelle Orr-McNeil, PSP from Assured Family Services talked about acceptance and how youth need to be aware of what is within their control and what is not within their control.

May 12, 2022- 57 Virtual attendees



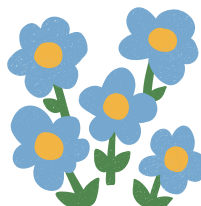
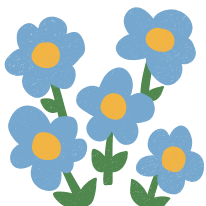
Health and Wellness Fairs

Family Alliance for Change, Youth United & Fatherhood Initiative

The purpose was to increase awareness of youth, parent and fatherhood programs and services within Wayne County and to provide resources to families being served.

March 30, 2022-thirty-four (34) participants and twelve (12) vendors

September 30, 2022-thirty-two (32) participants and thirteen (13) vendors



Youth United

Courageous Conversations

MARCH 11, 2022

"GUN VIOLENCE IN THE COMMUNITY."

TWENTY-EIGHT (28) PARTICIPANTS.

THE PANELISTS WERE:

**PERI STONE-PALMQUIST FROM STUDENT
ADVOCACY CENTER OF MICHIGAN,**

**TAMERA MIDDLEBROOKS, TAYLOR
JACKSON AND VARSHA PENUMALLEE, ALL
YOUTH MEMBERS FROM DETROIT AREA
YOUTH UNITING MICHIGAN,**

**WILL COUNCIL AND MARA SCHNEIDER,
BOTH FROM THE DETROIT FEDERAL BUREAU
OF INVESTIGATION**

**AND CHARLES SCHODER FROM MICHIGAN
DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL RIGHTS.**

**THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WERE
DISCUSSED BY THE PANELISTS:**

**HOW DO YOU SEE GUN VIOLENCE SHOWING
UP IN YOUR COMMUNITY?**

HOW DOES GUN VIOLENCE IMPACT YOUTH?

HOW HAS GUN VIOLENCE IMPACTED YOU?

**WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE TO BE THE ROOT
CAUSES OF GUN VIOLENCE?**

**HOW CAN WE BETTER SUPPORT THOSE
IMPACTED BY GUN VIOLENCE?**

**HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT GUNS IN THE
HOME**

AND

**WHAT TIPS CAN YOU PROVIDE TO
PARENTS TO KEEP GUNS SAFELY PUT
AWAY FROM CHILDREN?**

MAY 19, 2022

**"ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES AND
YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH"**

EIGHTEEN (18) PARTICIPANTS.

**THE SPEAKER, ANTHONY HARRISON, LLMSW,
CPC-R, PREVENTION FIELD SUPERVISOR FROM
THE GUIDANCE CENTER.**

**HE DEFINED ADVERSE CHILDHOOD EXPERIENCES
(ACES) AND EXPLAINED THE TYPES OF TRAUMA,
VARIOUS YOUTH REACTIONS TO TRAUMA AND
ACES, HOW STRESS PLAYS INTO TRAUMA AND
THE NEED FOR SELF-CARE. HE ALSO GAVE A
BRIEF HISTORY OF ACES AND PROVIDED SOME
STATISTICS AND RESEARCH FINDINGS ON ACES.**



SEPTEMBER 16, 2022

**"TRANSFORMING BIAS AND
REFRAMING ALLYSHIP"**

NINE (9) PARTICIPANTS.

**THE SPEAKERS, CELINA ORTIZ AND
ANGELIKA LEWIS, BOTH FROM RUTH
ELLS CENTER.**

**THEY INTRODUCED THE
PARTICIPANTS TO A SOCIAL
IDENTITY FRAMEWORK THAT
FOCUSED ON SEXUAL ORIENTATION,
GENDER IDENTITY, AND GENDER
EXPRESSION.**

Youth United Food Drive



Youth United facilitated a Food Drive from January 3, 2022-February 25, 2022. In collaboration with Development Centers, food baskets were disseminated on Martin Luther King Day (January 17, 2021). All other food donations were donated to Forgotten Harvest, a non-profit food rescue organization that collects food that would otherwise go to waste and delivers it free of charge to organizations feeding the hungry in Metro Detroit.

FOCUS GROUPS

YOUTH UNITED

December 2, 2021

Participants: 8

Topics:

youth involvement survey results:
substance use, bullying, depression
and gun violence.

May 4, 2022

Participants: 7

Topics:

Discussed current youth related
issues and possible solutions.

February 10, 2022

Participants: 4

Topics:

Southwest Counseling's
Cornerstone Program was given
information regarding Michigan
211 and Youth united links to
social platforms

July 12, 2022

Participants: 4

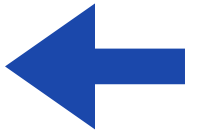
Topics:

Communities First in Detroit, They
identified sexual and gender orientation,
social anxiety, depression, low self-
esteem and peer pressure as some of
the prevalent issues' youth are facing
today.

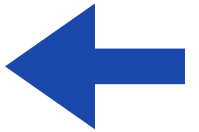
Youth MOVE Detroit Meet & Greets



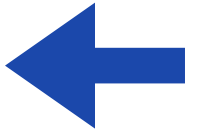
December 16, 2021, The Children's Center, the theme was "Winter Wonderland". There were seventeen (17) participants



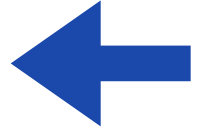
June 30, 2022, Bowling event at Skore Lanes in Taylor with nineteen (19) participants.



March 24, 2022, Skating event at Riverside Area in Livonia with twenty (20) participants



On September 8, 2022, Game Night at The Children's Center. There were twenty-five (25) participants



On September 12, 2022, Movie Night at Imagine Theater in Royal Oak. There were twenty-nine (29) participants



Youth United Town Hall

June 15, 2022

"Stomp Out Bullying"

49 Participants

Transition Age Youth Forum

July 23, 2022

44 Participants

Annual Statewide Youth United Summit

"Planting Seeds of Hope"

August 11, 2022

38 Attendees



BREAKING DOWN STIGMA TRAINING

Discussion focused on defining stigma and mental health, history of mental health stigma, types of stigma, how adults stigmatize youth and factors in identifying stigmas in young adults and strategies to challenge mental health stigma, warning signs of suicide risk, myths about suicide and suicide prevention resources.

- December 13, 2021 - 9 Participants
- January 7, 2022 - 13 Parent Support Partners
- January 21, 2022 - 19 students from Renaissance High School
- April 13, 2022 - 15 Participants
- April 14, 2022 - 6 Participants
- May 21, 2022 - 40 attendees - The Women of Inspiration Mental Health Fair
- July 21, 2022 - 26 Participants - The 2022 Michigan Teen Conference
- July 15, 2022 - 25 Participants

YOUTH UNITED SPOTLIGHT AWARDS

This event highlights the accomplishments of the youth leaders. System of Care partners nominated youth in the following categories:

Youth Peer Support Specialist Award
Youth Advocate Award
Leadership Award
Advocacy Award
Perseverance Award
Volunteerism Award
Adult Youth Champion Award

September 22, 2022 - 43 Participants

Youth Professional Development Training

12/9/21 - Accountability in the Workplace - 8 participants

01/21/22 - Skills workshop, credit scores - 21 participants

02/24/22 - Professional Development workshop - 11 participants

03/10/22 - Communication workshop - 9 participants

03/31/22 - "Talk, Protect, and Report" - 8 Participants

05/24/22 - Pronouns and Professionalism - 8 participants

08/01/22 - Community Organizing and Advocating for Change - 8 Participants



Family Alliance for Change

A parent driven, peer-to-peer service with the objectives of supporting, educating and empowering parents with special needs children to meet their family's goals. FAFC provides a family/youth friendly atmosphere where family support, advocacy, referrals, resources and education are offered to all Wayne County families.



A family enjoying Harvest Fest , November 2021

Parent Forums

December 14, 2021 - 24 Participants - Intellectual Developmental Disabilities (I/DD) and Autism

March 15, 2022 - 27 Participants - "Youth Substance Use and Trauma"

June 14, 2022 - 29 Participants - "Break the Silence: Parent Abuse - When Children Abuse Their Parents"

September 13, 2022 - 34 Participants - "Bridging the Generational Gap: Being Open to Understanding Why Differences Exist"

Trainings & Events

**November 13, 2021 - Harvest Fest
100 Participants**

**May 20, 2022 - Spring Blast
200 Attendees**

**August 19, 2022 - Back to School Bash
1,000 Attendees**



FATHERHOOD INITIATIVE

"Donuts to Dad" December 9, 2021 - 30 participants.

The event focused on fathers, grandfathers, foster fathers, uncles, and mentors of the student population.

"March DADness" March 17, 2022 - 25 attendees.

Panel discussion on physical and emotional boundaries when interacting with others.

"Dad's Day" June 17, 2022 - 10 attendees.

Keynote speaker shared his personal experience being a father and discussed what fatherhood means.

"Decade of Dads" June 23, 2022 - 51 participants.

10th Annual Wayne County Fatherhood Initiative Forum. Testimonies from past speakers and participants were shown.

The Wayne County Fatherhood Initiative Committee was created to work on increasing community engagement, awareness, outreach and activities. During Fiscal Year 22 there were 5 events with 116 participants.

The Fatherhood Initiative Coordinator in partnership with the Wayne County Friend of the Court facilitated an event where participants learned about changes to Friend of the Court due to COVID-19. Events took place on the following dates:

January 12, 2022 - 14 participants;

February 16, 2022 - 13 participants;

March 16, 2022 - 9 participants

April 20, 2022 - 16 participants;

May 18, 2022 - 22 participants.



www.facebook.com/DetroitFatherhood
250 Followers



The Fatherhood Connections Group
www.facebook.com/groups/letstalkaboutfathers/
76 Members



Fatherhood Initiative's Instagram
77 followers



Fatherhood Initiative's Twitter
122 followers

Fatherhood Initiatives Podcasts

- November 23, 2021 with Larry Charleston from Brilliant Detroit. This organization works with, by and for neighbors to coordinate programs and partnerships in the areas of health, education and family stability. Mr. Charleston provided an overview of Brilliant Detroit and emphasized a monthly meeting he facilitates with other Fatherhood Advocates throughout Michigan via Zoom Platform to network and share ideas. He discussed the need for fathers, male caregivers and their families to become strong advocates and role models for their children.
- February 25, 2022 with Adrienne McCain who is a Parent Support Partner (PSP) with Hegira Health, Inc. She provided an overview of PSP services and discussed being a parent of a child with behavioral health issues.
- March 3, 2022 with Cameron Downer-Reynolds, Youth Advocate. He provided an overview of Youth United and Youth MOVE Detroit. He also provided the social media platform links. Then he discussed his experience as a Youth United Advocate, the barriers youth are facing today, and what youth want to communicate with their parents.
- May 24, 2022 Bianca Miles, DWIHN Youth Involvement Specialist, discussed the importance of the father daughter relationship and strategies to strength this relationship. She also provided her personal experience with her own father.
- July 25, 2022 Jeff Young from Family Assistance for Renaissance Man (FARM) discussed his personal journey of being in the FARM mentor program and then being hired after attending a hiring fair where FARM had a resource table. He also discussed the benefits of a mentor program for young males.
- August 16, 2022 Joseph Reid author of "Broken Like Me: An Insiders Tool Kit for Mending Broken People was the guest. Mr. Reid is the founder and Executive Director of Broken People, an international mental health peer support group. He is also very active as a peer support specialist and family advocate with NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness). He talked about his personal journey with depression after losing a friend to suicide. He discussed how his book can be used to assist others with behavioral health and substance use issues.

Cross System Youth

THE CROSSOVER YOUTH PRACTICE MODEL (CYPM) ADDRESSES THE UNIQUE NEEDS OF YOUTH THAT ARE AT RISK OF OR ARE FLUCTUATING BETWEEN THE CHILD WELFARE AND JUVENILE JUSTICE SYSTEMS. THESE YOUTH ARE COMMONLY REFERRED TO AS "CROSSOVER YOUTH."

50 TOTAL CYPM
YOUTH SERVED
14 DISCHARGED
86% SUCCESS RATE

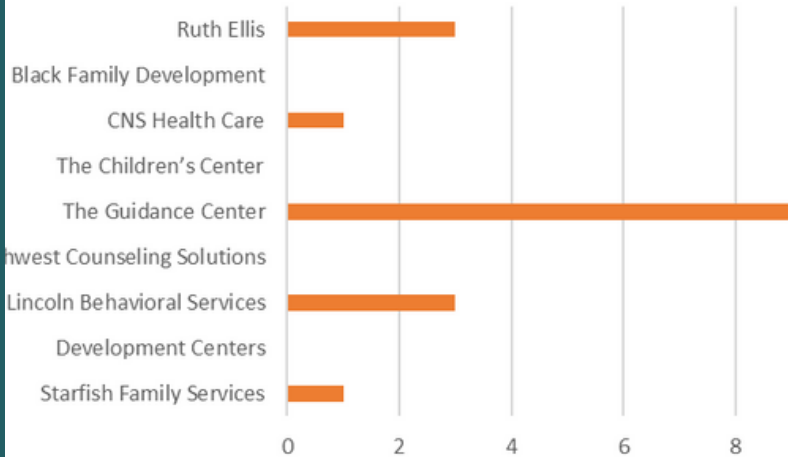
CROSSOVER YOUTH PRACTICE MODEL GOALS:

REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF YOUTH CROSSING OVER AND BECOMING DUALY INVOLVED
REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF YOUTH PLACED IN OUT-OF-HOME CARE
REDUCTION IN THE USE OF CONGREGATE CARE
REDUCTION IN THE DISPROPORTIONATE REPRESENTATION OF YOUTH OF COLOR,
PARTICULARLY IN THE CROSSOVER POPULATION



Juvenile Mental Health Court

Number of Cases at each Provider Agency



The Juvenile Mental Health Court is a problem solving court that combines judicial supervision with community mental health and other support services in an effort to reduce court contact and improve the quality of life for program participants.

The mission of the 3rd Circuit Court's Juvenile Mental Health Court is to identify youth with mental health issues and divert them from the formal court docket; to connect youth and their families to appropriate services in the community; to reduce the number of youth with mental health issues who reoffend; to increase adherence to appropriate services for mental health issues by using a multidisciplinary team approach to develop and monitor service plans and compliance.



**PRESIDING JUDGE:
JUDGE EDWARD J. JOSEPH**



First Point of Access for Juvenile Justice

Number of Youth Served: 306

Probation Level One Families: 170

Youth Previously Deemed
SED/SUD/DD/SMI Probation Level
One: 202

Probation Level 1.5 youth: 46

Probation Level Two Families: 90

The Juvenile Mental Health Court is supervised by Judge Edward Joseph. Youth and their families have weekly status review hearings and the Judge closely monitors JMHC cases. The Judge rewards progress through the program with various incentives, and sanctions noncompliance with graduated sanctions.

JMHC conducts review hearings on each case every two weeks via Zoom. The probation officer conducts weekly visits in the home or school with each participant.

Clinical Assessments, Home-Based therapy, medication reviews, and other clinical groups are provided by our DWIHN partners. JMHC has active cases with Lincoln Behavioral Services, Starfish Family Services, CNS Health Care and Ruth Ellis, and The Guidance Center who provides both Home-Based services and MST. Home-Based therapy provides a therapist in the home for 2-20 hours per week, as needed by the participant.

Drug testing, assessment and treatment referrals as well as case management and other community support services are provided through the Court's Case Management team.

Education Advocacy is provided by the five law groups contracted by the Court. They assist in scheduling, attending and designing Individual Education Plans, 504 Plans, Determination Review Hearings, and school disciplinary proceedings. They then monitor these plans. They attend disciplinary hearings and file complaints when needed.

JMHC engages in community service projects, hosts educational events such as NAMI In Our Own Voices, and the Michigan Association on Adolescent Sexual Awareness (MOASH) Sexual Awareness class. Since the program's inception on 1/1/16, the Juvenile Mental Health Court has served 104 youth and families. Of these, 48 youth have graduated successfully from the program. JMHC currently has 16 active participants with 5 pending admission to the program.

On October 25, Judge Joseph, Deborah Nelson and Doctor Lindsay Carr presented JMHC and Collaboration with Community Mental Health at the CMHA fall conference in Traverse City.



Integrated Community Based Services

Integrated Community-Based Services (ICBS) is an integrated approach to service delivery for multi-system involved youth. It provides a variety of services designed to intervene with supportive mental health services when youth are having problems coping in their environment; dealing with traumatic, stressful events and/or changes; behavioral problems at home or school; and/or experiencing symptoms of mental illness.

ICBS Key Program Components:

- AFS-ICBS Coordinators are assigned adjudicated youth with Severe Emotional Disturbance (SED) according to each Care Management Organization(CMO)
- Comprehensive Evaluation
- Early Period Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) record collection
- Integrated Treatment Teams
- Care Coordination Plan Management
- Progress Monitoring Community and Home-Based Services

Community Mental Health (CMH) Eligible Probation Level 1 & 1.5 Youth FY-2021-2022

| CMOs | SED | DD | SMI |
|---|-------------|------------|------------|
| Central Care Management Organization (CCMO) | 53/66 (80%) | 0/66 (0%) | 5/66 (8%) |
| <u>InSight</u> Youth & Family Connections | 90/101 (89) | 1/101 (1*) | 4/101 (4%) |
| Western Wayne (<u>Growthworks</u>) | 63/76 (83%) | 1/76 (1%) | 1/76 (1%) |
| Bridgeway Services | 57/72 (79%) | 0/72 (0%) | 2/72 (3%) |



CMH Linkage for Youth in FY 21-22: Probation Level 1 and 1.5 - CMH Linked ICBS Involved Youth (SED/IDD/SMI Status)

Central Care Management Organization: 79%
InSight Youth & Family: 59%
Western Wayne 78%
BridgeWay: 78%



Childhood SED is defined as the presence of a diagnosable mental, behavioral, or emotional disorder that resulted in functional impairment which substantially interferes with or limits the child's role or functioning in family, school, or community activities. Most youth assigned to ICBS meet this criteria. Intellectual Developmental Disorder (IDD) includes many severe, chronic conditions that are due to mental and/or physical impairments. IDD can begin at any time, up to 22 years of age. It usually lasts throughout a person's lifetime. A mental illness impacting someone over the age of 18 years that interferes with a person's life and ability to function is called a serious mental illness (SMI).

ICBS Eligibility Criteria:

Wayne County Resident adjudicated in the Juvenile Justice System
Medicaid Eligibility
Diagnosed with a disability designation of SED, IDD or SMI
Age 6-21 years

Treatment Foster Care - Oregon

Treatment Foster Care-Oregon (TFCO) is an evidence-based practice developed as a community-based alternative to hospital, residential, and other inpatient treatment settings for children with significant emotional and behavioral challenges. TFCO offers intensive, behaviorally focused and data-driven clinical treatment in a nonrestrictive setting.

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Treatment Foster Care Oregon (TFCO) at The Guidance Center (TGC) completed 31 licensing orientations.

TFCO had 4 families begin the licensing process, and complete applications. TFCO ended FY 2021-2022 with 3 homes engaged in the licensing process. The homes attend biweekly parent meetings, to learn the TFCO model and their roles as Therapeutic Parents.

Recruitment Efforts

Efforts were made to recruit Therapeutic Parents for TFCO and educate the community.

3 Job Fairs

12 Community Events

11 Information Sessions

3 Faith Coalition Community Meetings

Partnership with Michigan Works!

Advertisement with Detroit Free Press, The News Herald, and Indeed.com

TFCO Outcomes

The youth placed in the TFCO home in August 2021 exited the TFCO home in September 2021 but continued receiving services. The youth exited the TFCO program in January 2022. The youth transitioned out of TFCO and remained home with his family. The youth transitioned to Homebased and Wraparound services.

Serious Emotional Disturbance Waiver (SEDW)

The SEDW provides an array of community mental health services to children and youth ages 0-21 who may be connected to child welfare, adopted through the public or private sector, or are have private insurance and seeking community mental health services under Medicaid.

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Accomplishments:

Training: SEDW 101 - 31 participants.

Through the SEDW, 42 youth that would otherwise not be eligible for Medicaid, were able to receive Community Mental Health (CMH) services.

Wraparound

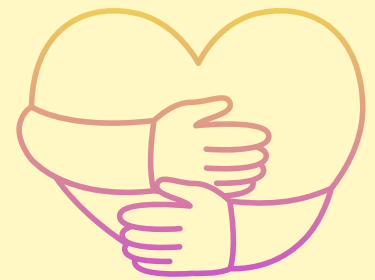
Wraparound is a planning process that is team driven, strengths based and family led. Wraparound involves the youth, family, natural supports, agencies and community resources. The process is individualized to meet each family's needs.

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Accomplishments:

During FY 22, we added an additional Wraparound Provider, Community Living Services (CLS). They solely provide services to youth with I/DD. In addition, Wayne County has two other Wraparound providers, Hegira Health Inc. and Starfish Family Services that now also provide Wraparound to the I/DD population, totaling **3** providers. **This is significant progress as Wayne County has not served this population in the past for Wraparound.** During FY 22 we were also able to hold a Wayne County training for all Facilitators and Supervisors, with a total of **31** participants. The focus was around strengths, needs, support planning and developing a solid plan of care.



Wraparound Training Pictured L to R Kim Hoga, DWIHN; Linda Potter, LBS; Cassandra Phipps, DWIHN; Monica Hampton, DWIHN; and Marsha Hurley, TGC



Average of **313** families served per quarter

236 NEW families served

38 Wraparound facilitators

10 Provider Agencies

Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Accomplishments:

Quarterly Home-Based Brown Bag lunch trainings continued to occur during FY 22. Topics included; Working with the Borderline Parent: Identifying and Addressing Challenges in the Therapeutic Alliance, ACE's, What's to do with the results, Wayne RESA and special education and Children's Initiatives Round Up; Fatherhood, Youth United, PMTO, etc. In addition, the Home-Based Consultant continues to offer consultation services to all providers in Wayne County providing individual and group reflective supervision and case consultation.

Home-Based

Home Based services are clinical services that aim to resolve the challenges which have prevented children and youth from thriving in at home, school, work or other social settings..

Average of **470** families served per quarter

266 New youth served

11 Home-Based providers

31.5 Home-Based clinicians





The Michigan Child Collaborative Care (MC3) is a contracted service provided by the University of Michigan to Wayne County through a subcontract with DWIHN to Starfish Family Services. The MC3 program provides psychiatry support to primary care providers in Michigan who are managing patients with behavioral health problems. Psychiatrists are available to offer guidance on diagnoses, medications and psychotherapy interventions so that primary care providers can better manage patients in their practices. MC3 also provides an embedded Pediatric Behavioral Health Consultant (BHC) to a pediatric clinic in Wayne County. The BHC acts as the liaison with primary care physician staff and the University of Michigan psychiatric staff. This program has been funded since FY14-15, and for Fiscal Year 21-22, \$79,922 was awarded.



FY 21-22 Accomplishments

986 children served

274 children were referred for services

275 embedded encounters

297 regional MC3 consultation calls facilitated by the BHC

45 new Wayne County medical providers enrolled in MC3

216 total Wayne County medical providers enrolled in MC3

School Success Initiative

The School Success Initiative (SSI) uses evidence-based practices to deliver prevention-based services to children, utilizing a 3-tier universal health screening. Students that score in Tier 1 are eligible for prevention and stigma reduction services. Tier 2 students receive evidence based behavioral health supports and Tier 3 students are linked to community mental health or to private insurance for additional services. In addition, the provider network offers parent education, engagement groups, professional development and psychoeducation for teachers and school administrators.



30,585 Students received School Success Initiatives Services in FY 21-22

26,559 Students received tiered services

20,607 Tier 1

3,020 Tier 2

2,932 Tier 3

18,848 Students attended Assemblies, Trainings & Presentations

4,035 students received SDQ Screenings

Fiscal Year 2021 – 2022 Accomplishments

Increased total schools and total students receiving School Success Initiative Services

Restarted Our Partnership with Community Education Center (CEC)'s GOAL Line Project

Implemented Quarterly Student Spotlight Awards

Streamlined the referral process for Tier 3 referrals and developed a new data system to monitor outcomes.

Assisted with the purchase of additional Michigan Model for Health (MMH) curriculum kits

Continue Partnership with School Based Health Centers (Ascension, Beaumont, Henry Ford)

Facilitated a 2 day training to 125 nurses with DPSCD on Behavioral Health including information about community mental health services, diagnosis, psychotropic medications, trauma, coping skills, secondary traumatic stress, and self care.

Continue Outreach to share school based services and community mental health services

-Participated in 1st Annual Plymouth-Canton Mental Health & Wellness Fair
-2,400 people attended the Back to School Fair with ACCESS

Hosted virtual DWIHN Community Town Hall: Let's Talk About It on 12/16/2021 that included a Guest Speaker (Dr. James Henry – Professor at Western Michigan University, Co-Founder / Director of Children's Trauma Assessment Center) and a panel of 9 participants to discuss mental health, school safety / violence, grief / loss, and trauma. Overall, there were about 55 attendees including WXYZ Ch7 news station as well.



Transition Age Youth


Transition Age Youth (TAY) are individuals generally between the ages of 16 and 26, receiving mental health services that are transitioning from child-serving systems to adult serving systems.



Youth Peer Support Specialists (YPSS)

Youth Peer Support is a service provided by young people ages 18-26 who have lived experience with receiving mental health services, and who are willing and prepared to use their experience to support and empower the youth they are working with. Youth Peer Support Specialists (YPSS) are great additions to the clinical treatment team as they work closely with the clinicians and team members to help youth and families achieve goals identified in their Individualized Plan of Service. All children's providers are committed to providing and expanding this service and are at various points in the hiring process.

7 YPSS Staff
137 Youth Served
5 Participating Agencies



Stars Training Academy facilitated a two (2) day training [March 15-16, 2022](#) on the Transition to Independence Process (TIP) Model for System of Care providers. This training provided an overview of the model which is widely used to support youth and young adults in treatment. There were fifty (50) participants the first day and forty-six (46) participants the second day.

CORNERSTONE

Cornerstone is an evidence-supported practice which provides a bridge for youth and young adults ages 16-21 as they transition into adulthood. Cornerstone services can occur individually or in a group format. Clinical topic areas focus on independent living and life skills to support youth in successfully transitioning to adulthood.

138 Youth Served
64 Group Sessions
4 Provider Agencies



Transitional Age Youth Forum

RUTH ELLIS CENTER

The Ruth Ellis Center (REC) is a Connections systems partner and social services agency with a mission to create opportunities with LGBTQ+ young people to build their vision of a positive future. REC envisions a world where LGBTQ+ young people are safe and supported no matter where they go. To further the mission and vision, REC offers a range of programming to support the young people they serve grounded in the following principles of work:

Trauma-Informed Care, Restorative Justice, Harm Reduction, and Positive Youth Development.

REC ACCOMPLISHMENTS

A comprehensive training series titled “Incorporating Diverse SOGIE Into Your Work” was implemented in December 2021 by Ruth Ellis Center staff. There are four (4) training sessions, three (3) hours each, being offered for all Children’s System of Care Partners and DWIHN staff through September 2022.

PARTICIPANTS

345

SOGIE 101 which introduces participants to a social identity framework focused on sexual orientation, gender identity, and gender expression. In addition to learning about SOGIE in the context of social identities, participants will also review best practices to enhance interpersonal and professional relationships with clients and peers who identify as Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, Queer, or Questioning (LGBTQ+) or have diverse/expansive Sexual Orientation Gender Identity Expression (SOGIE).

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Asking About SOGIE in Systems of Care which cultivates an awareness of how LGBTQ+ identity can impact the way people navigate resources, services, and care. Participants are introduced to SOGIE as well as how to ask about SOGIE with a trauma-informed approach. Participants will also review policies such as the Equal Gender Access Rule through U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) through the Department of Justice.

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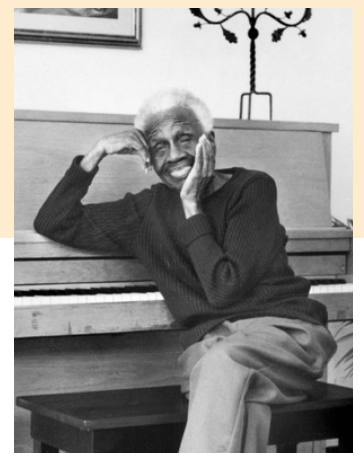
Family Support with LGBTQ+ Children which introduces participants to the Family Acceptance Project’s research, which highlights the correlation between caregiver behaviors towards LGBTQ+ youth and future health and safety outcomes. Additionally, participants will learn about family preservation and the Ruth Ellis Center’s approach to working with families of LGBTQ+ youth.

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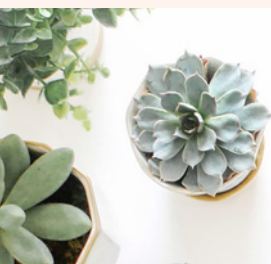
Gender Affirming Care which provides an overview of gender affirming care and transitioning (socially, medically, and legally). These practices serve to increase safety, access to resources, and mental/emotional well-being for gender diverse people. Whether a medical professional or someone who is interested in advocating for the LGBTQ+ community, participants will leave with concrete behaviors which can be implemented in a variety of roles when serving individuals with diverse gender identity and expression.



SOGIE Five Core Elements
Implemented
December 2022 -
27 Participants



Evidence-Based Practices



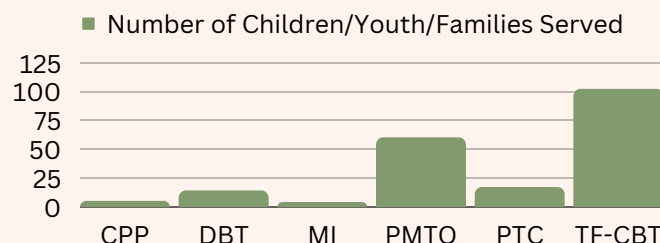
Several children's providers have utilized other engaging Evidence Based Practices (EBP). Evidence-based practices are interventions for which there is scientific evidence consistently showing that they improve client outcomes.

Child Parent Psychotherapy (CPP) is an intervention model for children aged 0-6 who have experienced at least one traumatic event and/or are experiencing mental health, attachment, and/or behavioral problems, including posttraumatic stress disorder. Currently, 2 DWIHN children's providers are offering CPP.

Dialectical Behavioral Therapy (DBT) for Adolescents evidence-based approach to treatment for emotional dysregulation and self-harming behaviors, adapted for adolescents (ages 12-18).

Motivational Interviewing (MI) for Adolescents is a specific type of psychotherapy aimed at facilitating change, especially among people who feel ambivalent about modifying their behavior. Research has found that this treatment modality works particularly well with adolescents. There are 3 DWIHN children's providers with staff trained in the MI for Adolescents model.

Through training cohorts lead by MDHHS and their partners, DWIHN Children's Provider staff had several opportunities to add to their therapeutic "tool box". Along with training cohorts that have been offered for several years in EBPs such as Trauma Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT), Parent Management Training- Oregon Model (PMTO), and Child Parent Psychotherapy (CPP), staff were given the opportunity to be trained in Motivational Interviewing (MI) for Adolescents.



Parent Management Training-Oregon Model & Parenting Though Change

The Parent Management Training-Oregon model (PMTO) is an evidence-based intervention to help parents and caregivers manage the behavior of their children. Tailored for serious behavior problems for youth from preschool through adolescence, PMTO empowers parents as primary treatment agents to promote and sustain positive change in families.

Wayne County in partnership with The State of Michigan provided **7** trainings to PMTO and PTC clinicians statewide. There were a total of **107** participants.

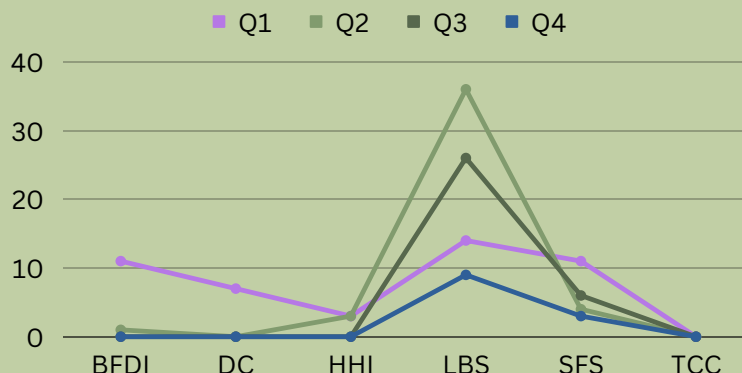
Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Accomplishments

Wayne County PMTO/PTC 2-day information trainings:
11 trainings - 119 participants

Wayne County PMTO/PTC Infrastructure Meetings:
2 meetings - 20 participants

Wayne County-Region 7 PMTO Model Group Regional Coaching days:
10 coaching days - 76 participants

Number of Families Receiving PMTO, PTC and/or PTC-R FY23



Trauma-Informed Care

Trauma Leadership Committee

The Trauma Leadership Committee held six (6) successful meetings working on various projects, including the Biannual Trauma Leadership Stakeholders meetings. Stakeholders from different systems shared updates on ongoing trauma informed work throughout the county. The first meeting took place on March 17, 2022 with twenty-three (23) participants and the second on September 15, 2022 with twenty-six (26) participants.

Trauma Informed Training

This Fiscal Year, Mr. Dale Yagiela, MA, CAADC, LMSW, implemented a six-part learning series titled "Working with Adolescents: Redefining Co-Occurring as Substance Use and Trauma". The purpose of this learning series is to build clinical skills for working with youth that are typified as very difficult and often resistant to therapeutic interventions and to support clinicians working with youth who are using substances and have issues related to trauma.

218 Attendees

Trauma Focused CBT

Trauma-Focused Cognitive Behavioral Therapy (TF-CBT) is an evidence-based treatment for children and adolescents impacted by trauma.

48

Active TF-CBT Clinicians

33

Currently Working Toward
Certification

102

Children and Youth Served

Community Trauma-Informed Trainings

1/17/22
Trauma Basics
Woodhaven School Staff
147

3/15/22
SUD Trauma and Adolescents
Parent Forum (SWSOL)
27 Participants

3/17/22
The Current Reality of Trauma
Trauma Stakeholder's Mtg
23 Participants

5/19/22
Courageous Conversations:
ACEs and Youth Mental
Health
Youth United
18 Participants

9/20/22
What do we do with ACEs?
Home Based Staff
21 Participants

9/29/22
ACES/Compassion Fatigue
Court personnel
111 Participants

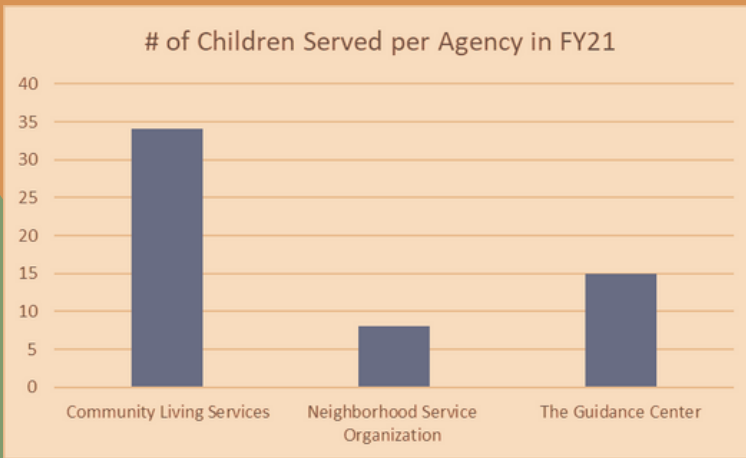


Intellectual and/or Developmental Disabilities

Services for children, youth, and families affected by I/DD continue to be an important piece of the System of Care. In 2021 collaboration continues with I/DD provider agencies within the System of Care for service provision and information sharing. The I/DD body of work is not funded by the SOC Block grant; however, it is work that falls under the Children's Initiatives Department.

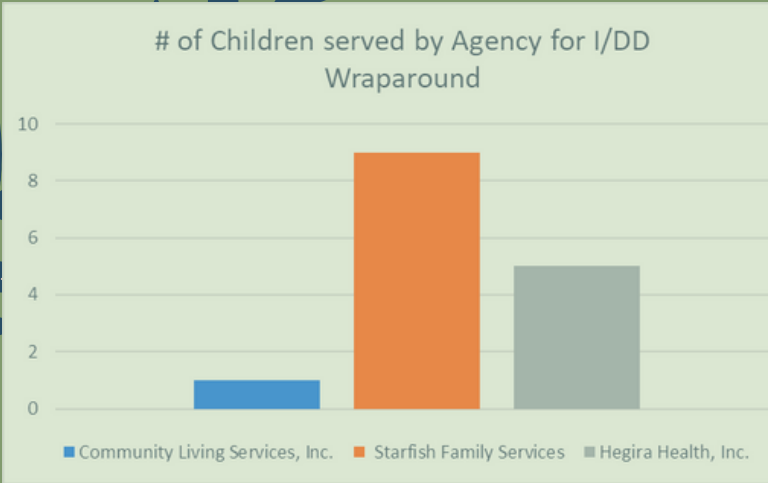
The Children's Waiver Program

The Children's Waiver Program (CWP) makes it possible for Medicaid to fund home and community-based services for children with I/DD who are under the age of 18 when they otherwise wouldn't qualify for Medicaid funded services. Three Provider Agencies deliver services to children and youth on this waiver: Community Living Services (CLS), Neighborhood Services Organization (NSO) Life Choices, and The Guidance Center (TGC).



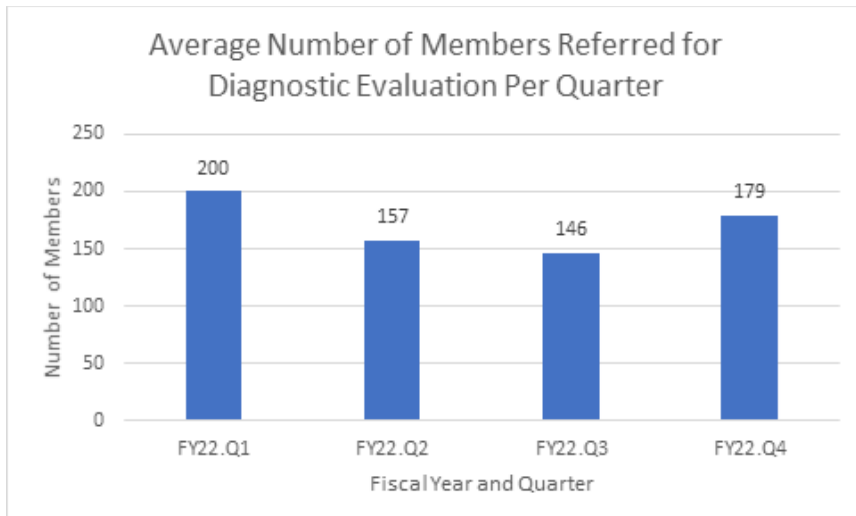
I/DD Wraparound

In FY20 it was announced that DWIHN would expand Wraparound service to children and youth with I/DD. In FY21 we are excited that we now have three provider agencies delivering wraparound services to children, youth and families effected by I/DD. Those agencies include Community Living Services, Inc., Starfish Family Services, and Hegira Health, Inc. These services began January 2022.

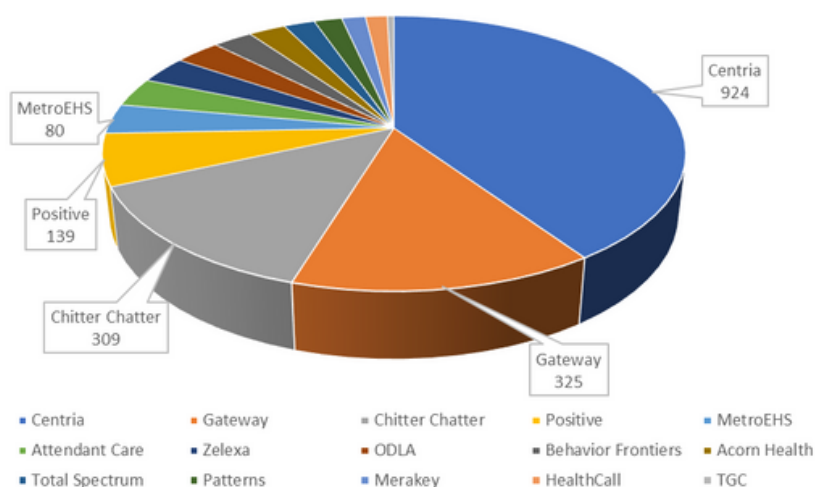


Applied Behavioral Analysis Benefit

Applied Behavioral Analysis (ABA) is an intensive, behaviorally based treatment that uses various techniques to bring about meaningful and positive changes in the communication, social interaction, and repetitive/restrictive behaviors that are typical of Autism Spectrum Disorder (ASD).



Total Members per ABA Provider



ABA Providers in Wayne County:

Acorn Health of Michigan
 Attendant Care Autism Services
 Behavior Frontiers
 Centria Healthcare
 Chitter Chatter P.C.
 Gateway Pediatric Therapy
 HealthCall of Detroit
 Merakey Inc.
 MetroEHS
 Open Door Living Association Inc.
 Patterns Behavioral Services, Inc.
 Positive Behavior Supports Corp.
 Strident Healthcare
 The Guidance Center
 Total Spectrum
 Zelexa, LLC

Autism Spectrum Disorder Conferences

Topic: Staff Retention: Keeping the Best at their Best!

Presenter: Hana Jurgens, BCBA, LBA

Date: 4/29/22

Number of attendees: [32 virtual](#)

Topic: Reviewing the Genetics of Autism Spectrum Disorder

Presenter: Erin Duchan, MD, FAAP

Date: 5/19/22

Number of attendees: [92 virtual](#)

Topic: Understanding ASD Evaluations

Presenters: Sarah Witherell, PhD and

Tammy McCrory, LLP, LBA, BCBA

Date: 6/27/22

Number of attendees: [84 virtual](#)

Topic: Parent Engagement

Presenter: Maria Koppinger

Date: 7/22/22

Number of attendees: [7 virtual](#)

Topic: Behavior Intervention Planning

Presenters: Dawn Montroy, MA-ASD, LBA, BCBA and Charles Gibson, BCaBA

Date: 7/25/22

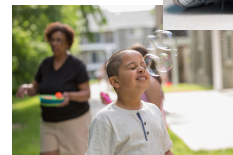
Number of attendees: [12 virtual](#)

Topic: A Practical Approach of Addressing Social Deficits in Childhood and Adolescent

Presenters: Brook Bachi, M.Ed., BCBA, LBA and Kathleen Bardsley, MA, BCBA, LBA

Date: 8/22/22

Number of attendees: [24 virtual](#)



Infant Mental Health/Early Childhood



Infant Mental Health (IMH), also called “early childhood mental health,” refers to the mental health of young children from birth to age five. DWIHN supports nine providers of IMH within the Children's Network.

All CMH Staff delivering home-based services to pregnant moms, infants and young children, birth to 47 months, and staff providing Prevention-Direct Services Models must have, as a minimum, the Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health (MI-AIMH) Endorsement, Infant Family Specialist (previously Level II) with Infant Mental Health Specialist (previously Level III) preferred. Each endorsement level requires hours of specialized training, or coursework, specific to Infant Mental Health (IMH) competencies.

34

Clinicians Endorsed at Level II of Higher

44

IMH Clinicians on Waivers working toward endorsement

8

Mentors at Level IV and Providing Reflective Supervision

MI-AIMH Training

For FY21-22, DWIHN collaborated with the Michigan Association for Infant Mental Health (MI-AIMH) to offer a training series specific to Infant Mental Health/Early Childhood clinicians and supervisors.

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participants were trained on various topics such as Reflective Supervision, Cultural Sensitivity, IMH and Foster Care, Ethical Considerations for Home-Based Services, along with several trainings on screening specific to the IMH population.



Baby Court

The Wayne County Baby Court is a specialized court within the judicial process with a focus on providing Infant Mental Health (IMH) services to infants and toddlers under the jurisdiction of the Family Court. In collaboration with MDHHS and CMH agencies, Baby Court aims to improve safety, permanency, and well-being for children in foster care. Wayne County IMH providers also participated in state-led Baby Court efforts, including assistance with the development of an online training. Funding has been secured to hire a coordinator to support and expand the cross system collaboration, coordinate referrals, and track outcome data.

Accomplishments

- Through the support of grant funding, Wayne State University led the creation of an online training for Baby Court partners (clinicians, DHHS case workers, judges, and attorneys) on the core components of the Baby Court model. Several clinical staff from DWIHN IMH provider agencies volunteered their time to support this project.
- 6 IMH Providers are actively taking Baby Court referrals
- 9 Baby Court cases were opened in FY21-22



WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT



Peer to Peer Trainings

2 Trainings

81 Attendees

Topics:

“Talk, Protect and Report”.
“CMH Paperwork and Clinical Services”

Quarterly Leadership Trainings

4 Trainings

This Fiscal Year, the Quarterly Leadership Training was on the Coach Approach to Adaptive Leadership (CAAL)



Topics:

Restorative Justice 101

Social Injustice and Culturally Competent Care: Addressing the Intersection of Culture and Social Injustice in Black/African American Communities

Looking at Social Media Through a Cultural Lens

Autism: What's All the Hype About?

“Using a Survivor Centered Approach to Working with Survivors of Sexual Violence.”

“Play Therapy 101: Importance of Play, the Foundations of Play Therapy and Some Practical Applications”

“LGBTQ+ 101-Affirming Care Mental Health Intake Practices”.

“Art Therapy for Youth Development”.

“Understanding the Basics of the Commercial Sexual Exploitation of Children”

“Zero Suicide Initiative and Reducing Access to Lethal Means.”

10 Trainings
612 Attendees

Children's Mental Health Lecture Series



CAFAS & PECFAS

CAFAS Initial - 8 trainings - 155 participants

CAFAS Booster - 9 trainings - 126 participants

PECFAS Initial - 6 Trainings- 105 participants

PECFAS Booster - 6 trainings - 64 participants

FY21-22 trainings were successful thanks to provider network trainers who volunteer their time to ensure the workforce received CAFAS/PECFAS Rater Reliability training.

Self-Care Trainings

March 10, 2022 - “Self-Care for the Professional”
- fifty-two (52) participants. Tyanna McClain, DWIHN’s Regional Youth Coordinator, discussed what self-care is and what it means to practice self-care.

September 29, 2022 - Ruth Ellis Center facilitated a virtual chair yoga class which modifies poses that can be done while sitting or standing using a chair. There were nineteen (19) participants.

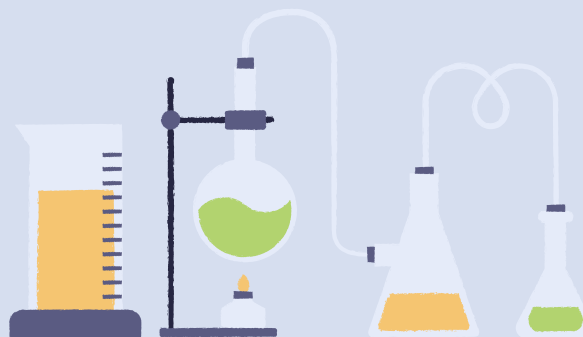
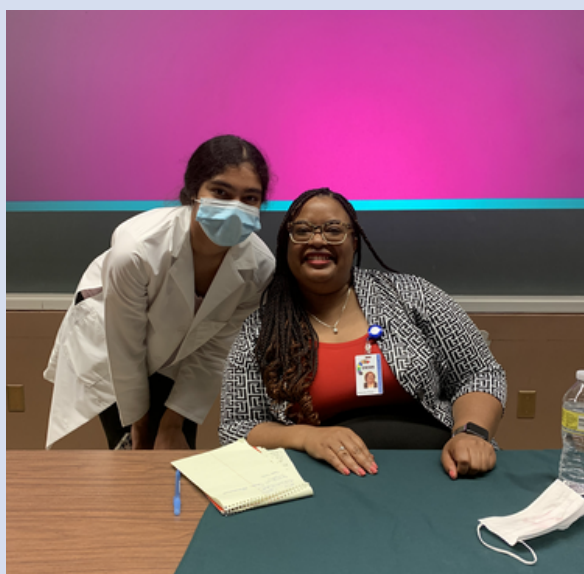
Special Projects

Career Fairs & Recruitment

To support the employment recruitment efforts of DWIHN Children's Provider agencies, DWIHN's Children's Initiatives Department organized several events throughout the last year to engage interest in employment opportunities throughout the network.



- **December 9th, 2021**- The Special Project Specialist along with colleagues from other DWIHN Departments provided a presentation to on Working in CMH for 10 students from the University of Michigan School of Social Work.
- **January 13th, 2022**- A Virtual Job Fair was held with with new graduates from the University of Michigan School of Social work, providing information about their organization as well as available job openings. Thirteen (13) children's service providers from DWIHN and eight (8) students participated in the virtual fair.
- **March 31st, 2022**- The Special Project Specialist participated in a Professional Development Career Fair Panel coordinated by the Wayne State School of Social Work where she shared the benefits of a career within Community Mental Health.
- **April 28th, 2022**- A Virtual Job Fair was held, with graduate students from more than seven (7) local colleges/universities invited to attend. Thirteen (13) DWIHN children's service providers and six (6) students participated in the event.



Biochemical Career Advancement Pipeline Program (BCAP)

DWIHN sponsors high school students grades 10 to 12 to participate in the Biochemical Career Advancement Pipeline (BCAP) program with Wayne State University to enhance knowledge and skills in the health science professions. 7/22/22 Children's Initiative Director Cassandra Phipps participated on a panel discussion to share with students the benefit and steps to pursue the community mental health profession.



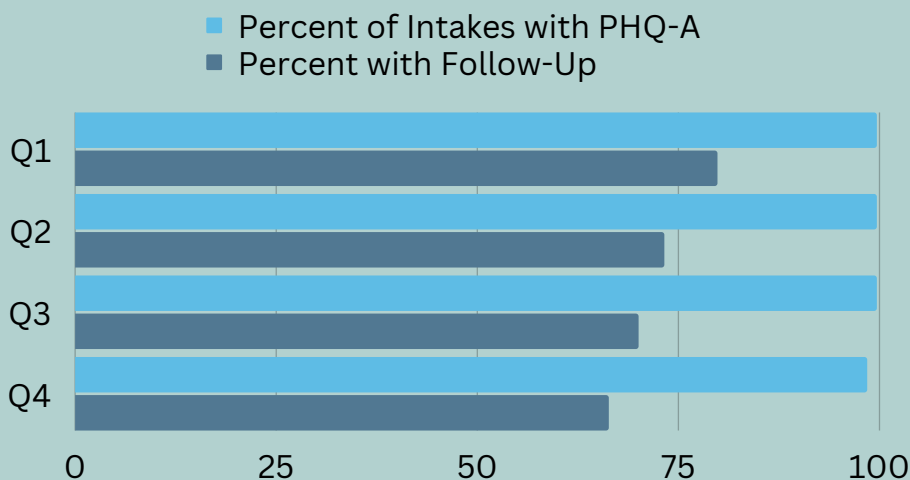
PHQ-A

All Children's Service Providers within DWIHN complete a Patient Health Questionnaire for Adolescents (PHQ-A) upon intake for every youth between the ages of 11 and 17. The PHQ-A screens for symptoms of depression as well as prevalence of suicidal ideation. These screenings are repeated every three months, until symptoms recede and the youth's score drops below a certain threshold, and help to decrease symptomology of Depression as well as thoughts of suicide.

In Fiscal Year 2021-2022 :

DWIHN Providers completed **3,266** PHQ-A assessments upon intake.

99.4 % of youth between the ages 11-17 received a PHQ-A upon treatment, compared to **96.3%** in FY 20-21



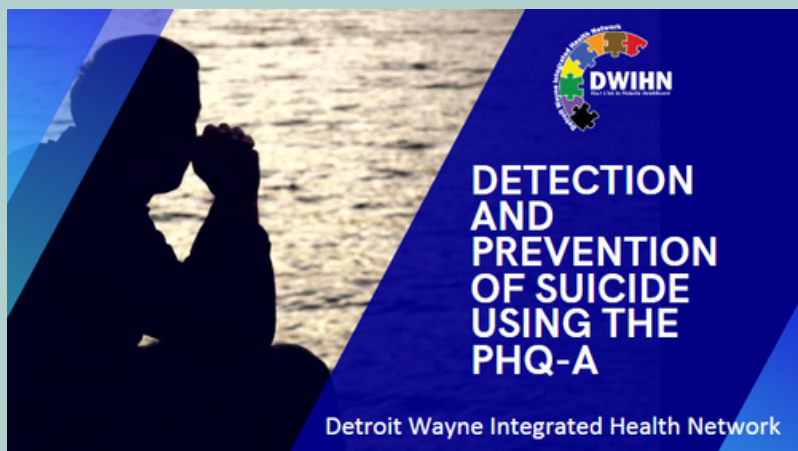
During Fiscal Year 21-22, all children's provider clinical staff were asked to view a brief video, developed by DWIHN, that explains the purpose and importance of the consistent use of the PHQ-A screening tool. Since February 2022,

457

clinical staff have viewed the video.

Follow the link below to view the video:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hBtkjf9eNNA>



7th Annual Cultural & Linguistic Competency Summit

The Cultural and Linguistic Competency Summit took place on August 5, 2022 at the Marriott Hotel in Livonia. The theme was “We Are the World”. There were sixty-seven (67) attendees. The keynote speaker was Mark Orbe, PhD, Professor of Communication and Diversity at the School of Communication at Western Michigan University. He discussed a conceptual shift from cultural competency to cultural humility as a practice means to more equitable access, service and outcomes for all. He distinguished between the concepts of cultural competency and cultural humility and talked about how to apply intercultural communication theories, concepts and principles to healthcare settings. The closing speaker was Felicia Savage Friedman, owner of YogaRoots on Location. She talked about the importance of personal joy practices as acts of resistance to oppression and how these practices impact our collective humankind.



Breakout Session Speaker Walid Gammouh and guest

Workshop Topics

If I Ruled the World....Imagine That: Utilizing an African Centered Approach to Service Delivery

Body, Mind, & Spirit: Addressing Spirituality in Treatment

Focus on Refugees- Cultural Competency vs. Cultural Humility

Mental Health Care Considerations for Gender Variant and Nonbinary Youth

We Are the World: Vision Board Event (Youth Training)

Redefining Normal: How Two Foster Kids Beat The Odds and Discovered Healing, Happiness and Love (Youth Training)



Keynote Speaker Mark Orbe

OUTCOMES

MEASURING OUTCOMES

Infants & Toddlers Age 0-3

The Devereaux Early Childhood Assessment (DECA) is used to measure social and emotional functioning in domains depending on the child's age, including initiative, attachment, self-regulation, self-control, and behavioral problems. Scores from each domain are summed into a total score and normed by age. Children scoring at or below 40 are considered to have at least one "Area of Need," between 41-59 are considered to be "Typical," and 60+ have above average "Strengths." Positive outcomes result from an increase in a total protective factors, both overall and in individual domains. The FY21-22 outcome analysis included **143** children with more than one completed assessment.

Children Age 4-6

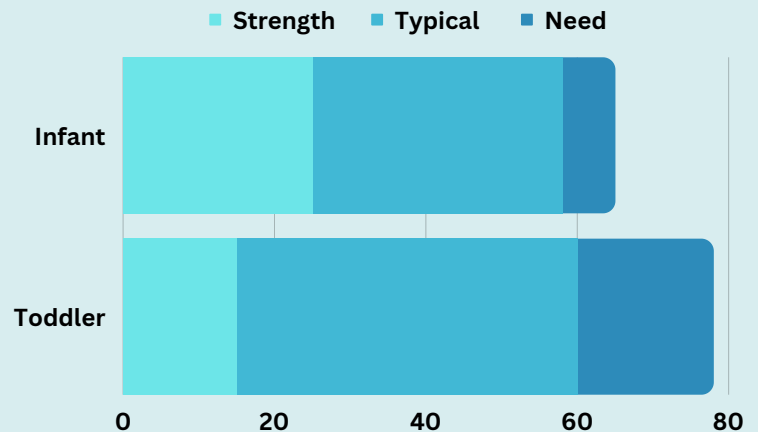
The Preschool and Early Childhood Functional Assessment Scale (PECFAS) is used to measure functional change for preschool age youth. This assessment is an adaptation of the CAFAS, differing only in the modification of items and a lack of the Substance Use subscale. Outcomes were calculated for **385** children.

Children & Youth Age 7-21

The Child and Adolescent Functional Assessment Scale (CAFAS) is for children 7-21. Both the CAFAS and PECFAS assess functioning across critical life domains and yield both a total score and subscale scores. Subscales are rated from 0 (no impairment) to 30 (severe impairment). CAFAS/PECFAS uses several outcome indicators including a reduction in score (lower than 20 points), reduction in the number of severe impairments, and reduction of score in certain subscales. Outcomes were calculated for **3,055** children and youth.

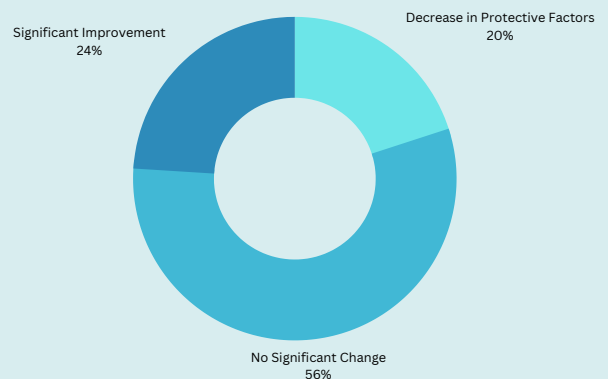
INFANTS & TODDLERS (0-3)

Total Protective Factors at Initial Assessment

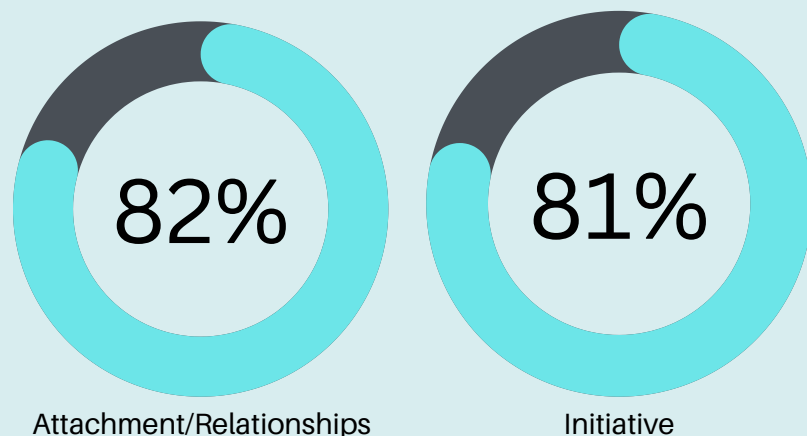


Social & Emotional Improvement

Change in Total Protective Factors



Improvement or Maintenance by DECA Domain

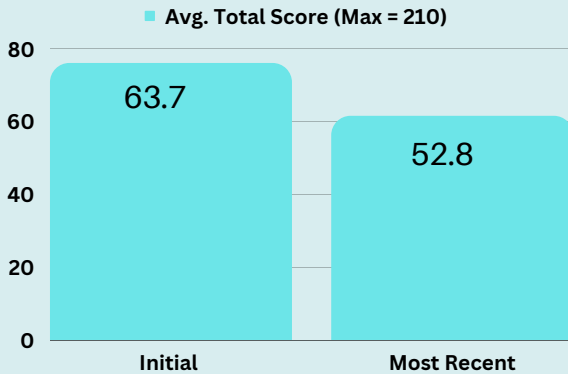


OUTCOMES

CHILDREN (4-6)

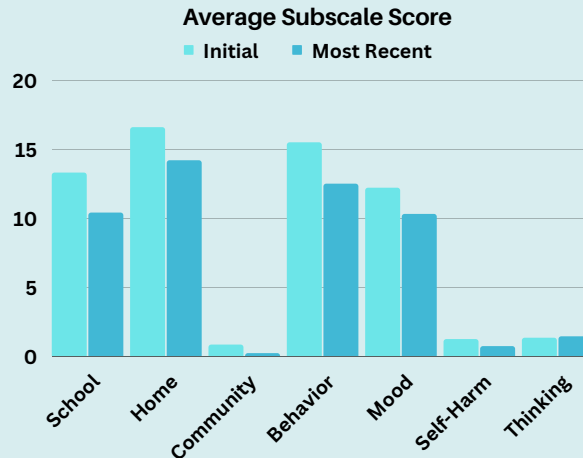
Total Score Change

The PECFAS total score ranges from 0-210 and measures overall impairment. A 20 point reduction is considered meaningful improvement.



Subscale Score Change

Subscales Measure functioning on key life domains and range from 0 (no impairment) to 30 (severe impairment) on that subscale.



AT THEIR MOST RECENT ASSESSMENT:

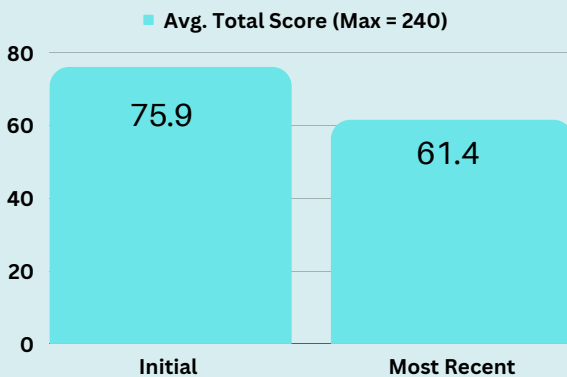
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of children with severe impairment on at least one subscale at intake had *no severe impairments*.

CHILDREN & YOUTH (7-21)

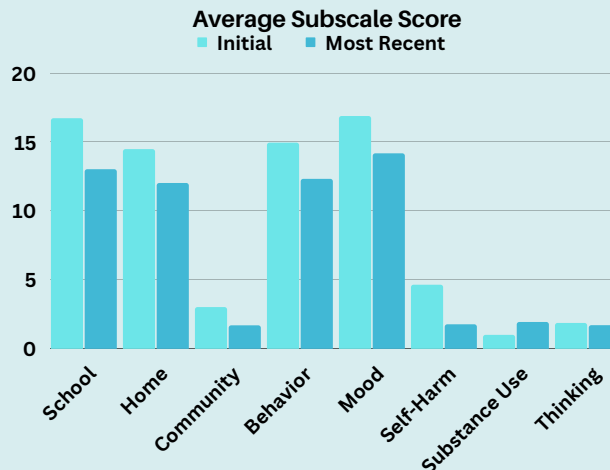
Total Score Change

The CAFAS total score ranges from 0-240 and measures overall impairment. A 20 point reduction is considered meaningful improvement.



Subscale Score Change

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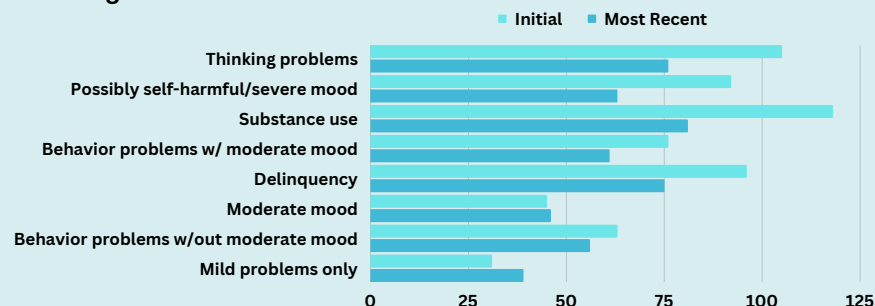
47%

of children & youth has a *reduction in Total Score of 20 or more points*.

Tier Change

Subscale scores on the CAFAS are used to create hierarchical profiles called Tiers. The Tiers are ranked based on the type and severity of need, with Thinking Problems ranked as the most severe and Mild Problems as the least severe.

Average CAFAS Total Score for Each CAFAS Tiers: Initial to Most Recent Assessment





SPOTLIGHT AWARDS



**For Outstanding Contribution and Dedication to Connections' Systems
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Thank you!

*to all our system partners for another
successful year!*