

Butler County Community Wraparound

Annual Report of Program Outcomes for Fiscal Year 2011

The Butler County Family and Children First Council offers Wraparound to families of children with complex needs. Wraparound is a planning process that follows a series of steps so that children and their families improve their well-being and realize their hopes and dreams. A Wraparound facilitator works with the family to form a team comprised of people who care about their long term success. Utilizing the family's unique strengths, team members problem-solve and plan in order to meet the needs of the family and the child.

Families Say >>>

"I appreciate the support & direction given to my family by Wraparound. We started with Wraparound when my family was broken, my daughter had been hospitalized 4 times and our relationship was really non-existent. Through support from Wraparound, we put together a plan that was centered around our child & our family. My daughter had a part in her wellness program. With extended family members involved, we were able to convey her immediate issues to our extended family for support & encouragement. Wraparound has been an important factor in helping us get back on our feet & work at becoming a family again."



Wraparound makes a difference!

The Wraparound process involves a lot of hard work, time and dedication on the part of families, youth, professionals and others that care about a family's success. But it is not enough to work hard if families don't find that their lives are better as a result. It is critical to know that all of these efforts lead to positive change for families.

Outcome-based reporting measures changes and improvements resulting from participation in Wraparound. In FY 2011, Community Wraparound provided service coordination to over 200 Butler County families. Evaluation of program data indicates that families involved with Wraparound experienced the following outcomes:

- **Improved child functioning**
- **Improved family functioning**
- **Improved caregiver empowerment**
- **Successful treatment in least restrictive environments**
- **Improved family stability**
- **Decreased placement cost**

Numbers for FY11 >>>

- > 215 Children Served:
 - 66% Male / 44% Female
 - Average Age = 12.4 years
 - 79% Caucasian
 - 76% TANF Eligible
 - 67% on IEP
 - Ave. length of involvement=13 months
- > System Involvement:
 - Mental Health (164)
 - Juvenile Court (79)
 - Board of Dev. Disabilities (39)
 - Job & Family Services - Medicaid (125)
 - Children Services (27)
- > 138 New Referrals
 - Source of New Referrals:
 - Mental Health Agencies (48)
 - Parent/Self-Referral (42)
 - Juvenile Justice (21)
 - Schools (18)
 - Other (18)
 - Average Wait for Facilitator = 17.6 days

“My facilitator did a wonderful job and really cared about our family.” - Parent

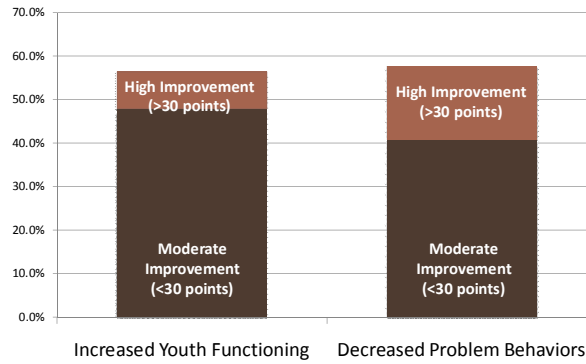
Improved Child Functioning

Outcome >>>

Youth who participate in Wraparound demonstrate reduced problem behaviors, improved functioning and increased strengths.

Measures >>>

Parent Versions of the Ohio Scales and Behavioral and Emotional Rating Scale (BERS-2)



Youth showed clinically significant change on the Ohio Scales in both the improvement of functioning and reduction of problem behaviors.

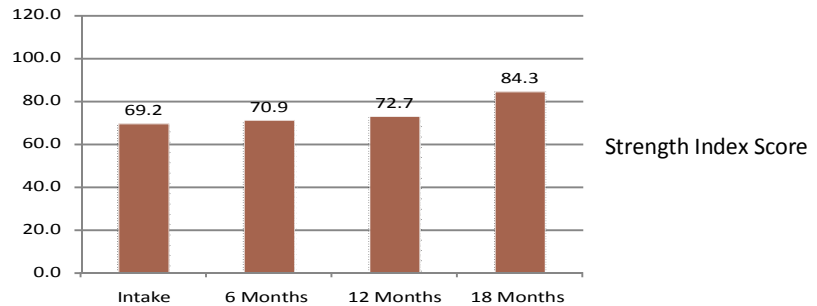
Improved Family Functioning

Outcome >>>

Caregivers who participate in and complete Wraparound experience improved family functioning.

Measure >>>

Caregiver Transition Survey



Parents reported that their child’s behavioral and emotional strengths (BERS-2) increased over the time they were involved with Wraparound.

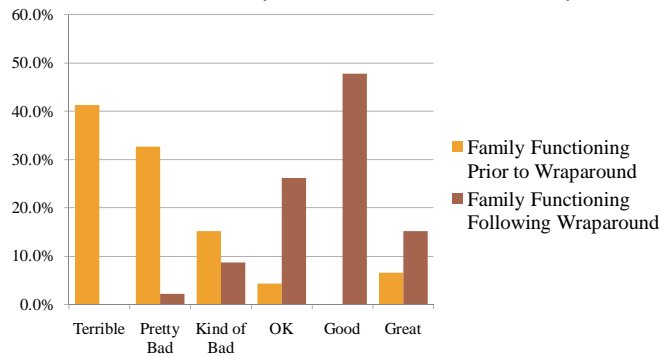
Improved Caregiver Empowerment

Outcome >>>

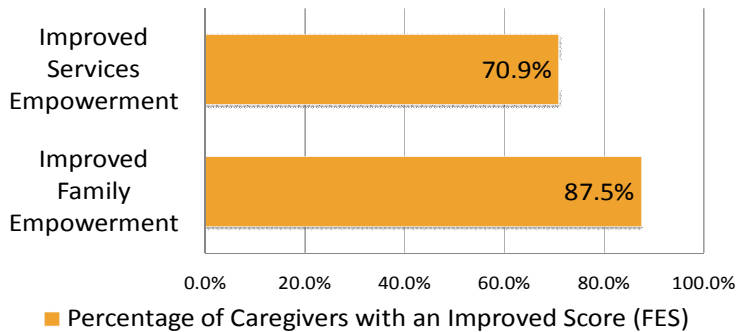
Caregivers who participate in and complete Wraparound report improved empowerment related to their ability to meet the needs of their family and access services.

Measure >>>

Family Empowerment Scale (FES)



When surveyed at closing, 100% of families reported stable or improved family functioning.



The Family Empowerment Scale showed the greatest degree of improvement for the following:

- ~ “I feel my family life is under control.”
- ~ “I am able to get information to help me better understand my child.”
- ~ “I believe I can solve problems with my child when they happen.”
- ~ “I know what services my child needs.”
- ~ “I have a good understanding of the service system that my child is involved in.”

"Thank you for helping our son & our family to quickly locate the supports we needed so our son could avoid a residential placement. Now a year later he continues to make progress, lives at home, and has new long term supports in place." - Parent

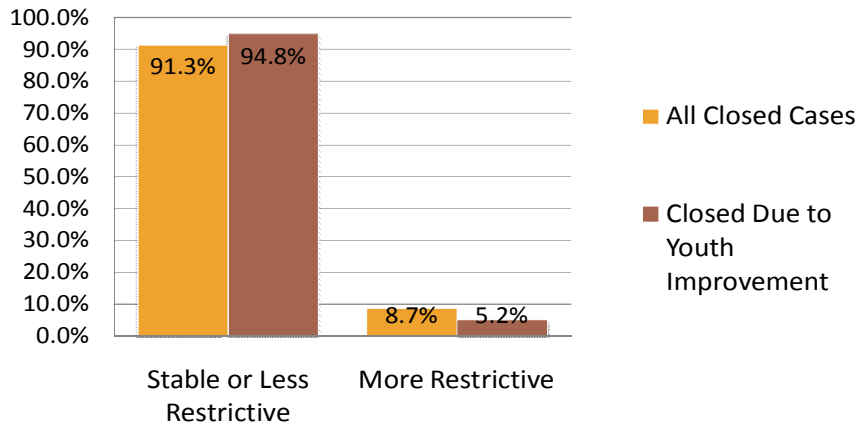
Least Restrictive Placement

Outcome >>>

Youth who participate in Wraparound are able to be successful in least restrictive settings.

Measure >>>

Case Record



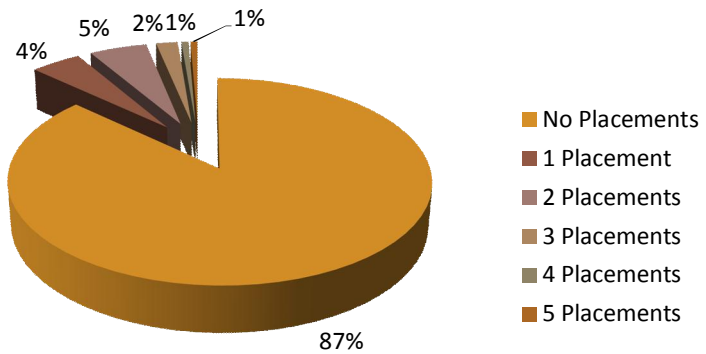
Improved Family Stability

Outcome >>>

Youth who participate in Wraparound experience few placement disruptions.

Measure >>>

Case Record



Only 13% of youth experienced a placement disruption. Most placements were short term hospitalizations or incarceration at the Juvenile Detention Center.

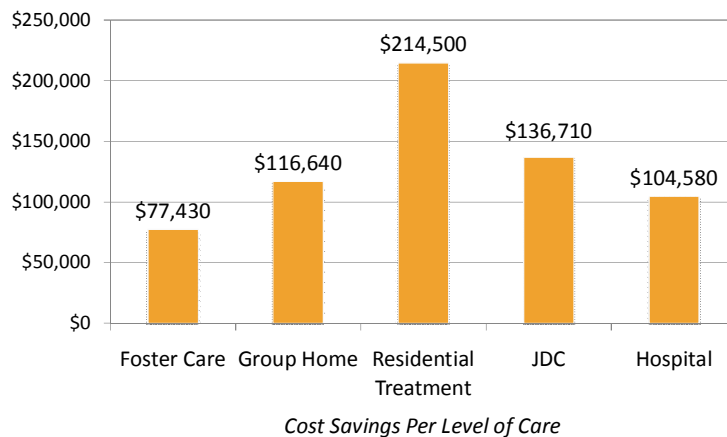
Decreased Placement Cost

Outcome >>>

Minimal use of out of home placement for those youth at risk resulted in potential cost savings for the child serving systems.

Measure >>>

Case Record
Placement Cost Estimate



Children at risk of out of home placement were maintained in their own home, resulting in a **potential cost savings of \$650,000.**

Although 147 youth were at risk of out of home placement during their involvement with Wraparound, only ten experienced a planned placement in a foster home, group home or residential treatment facility.

"I would highly recommend the Wraparound program - the help we have received is invaluable. Both our Facilitator and Parent Advocate brought things to our attention to help us keep our lives together in some very difficult days." - Parent

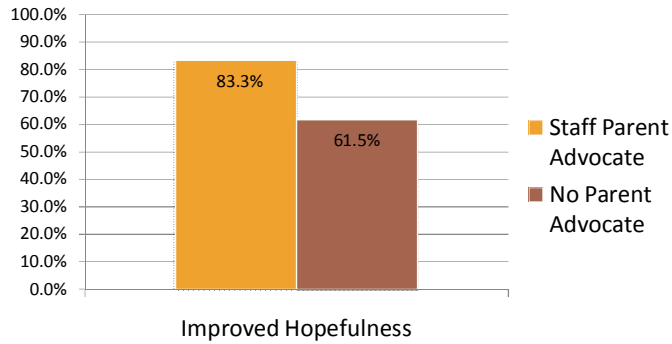
Parent Advocacy

Outcome >>>

Parents who receive the support of a Staff Parent Advocate are more likely to report improved hopefulness.

Measures >>>

Ohio Scales

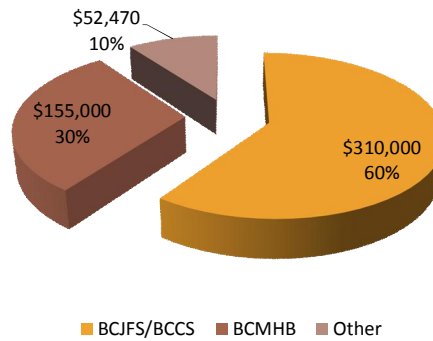


Families who received the support of a Wraparound Staff Parent Advocate were 3.5 times more likely to report improved hopefulness.

Statistical analysis showed that the effect of a staff parent advocate on parental hopefulness was statistically significant ($p=.045$) and with a medium effect ($\phi=.251$).

Income

Primary funding for Community Wraparound is provided by:
Butler County Department of Job & Family Services, Butler County Children Services, and the Butler County Mental Health Board.

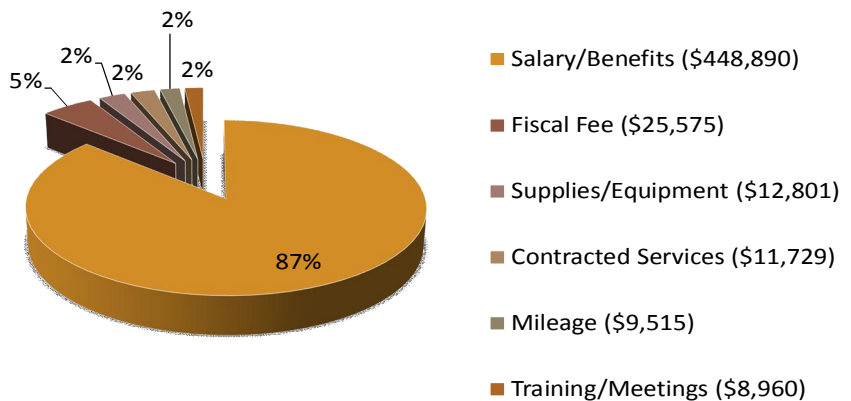


Additional funding ("Other") is obtained from Family-Centered Services and Support Funds, NAMI Ohio, and income generated from Wraparound Training.

Expenditures

Community Wraparound Staff included:

- Program Director
- Triage Coordinator
- Family Advocacy Coordinator
- Program Assistant
- Facilitators (5)



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