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Connecticut's Urgent Crisis Centers – Data Update

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Urgent Crisis Centers for Children

Urgent Crisis Centers (UCCs) provide full crisis assessments in a safe location for any child and family in Connecticut experiencing a behavioral health crisis. There are three* community-based UCCs funded by DCF and operated by Child and Family Agency of Southeastern Connecticut (New London), The Village for Families and Children (Hartford), and Wellmore Behavioral Health (Waterbury).

UCCs have been operational since July 2023.

*There is an additional UCC at Yale-New Haven Health operating out of their emergency department, which we do not have comprehensive data for.



UCC Data

UCC providers enter episode-level data into DCF's Provider Information Exchange (PIE). This data is used by CHDI to generate quarterly and annual program reports, as well as for ad hoc quality improvement activities.

UCC providers began entering data into PIE in January 2024. We have recorded the number of episodes at each UCC prior to this point, but comprehensive data on the UCCs begins with SFY2024 Q3.



Access & Volume

UCC Volume: SFY2024 & SFY2025





UCC Volume by Provider

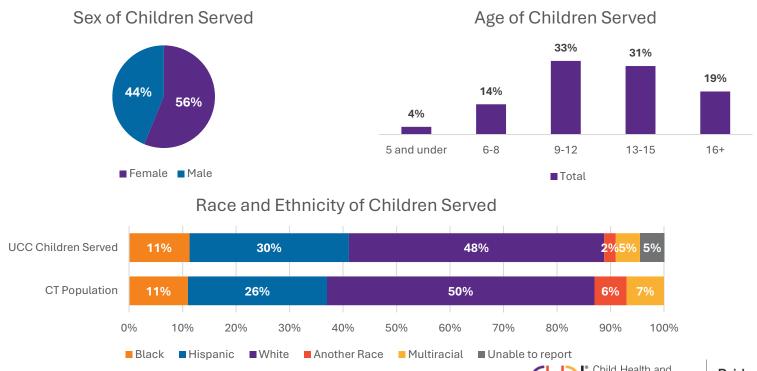




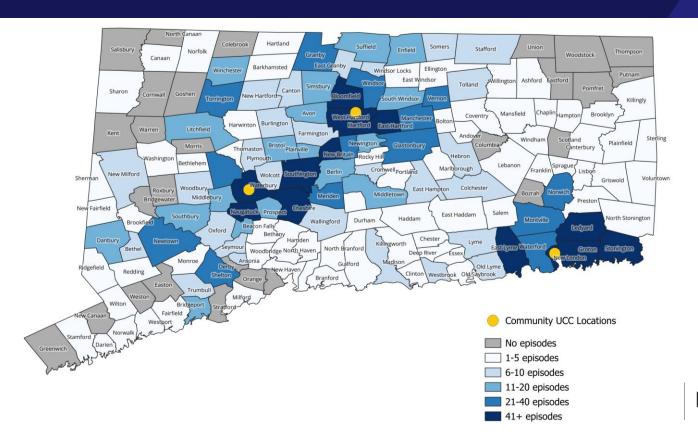


Who is being served?

Demographics of Children Served

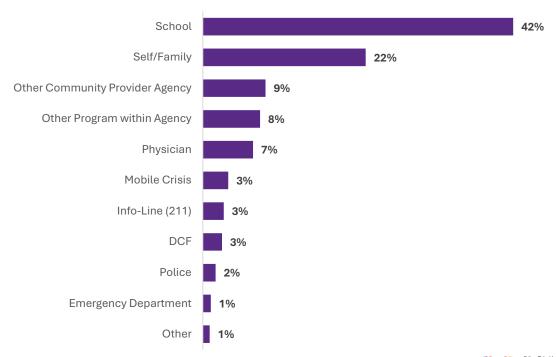


UCC Volume by Town: FY24 Q3 – FY25 Q4



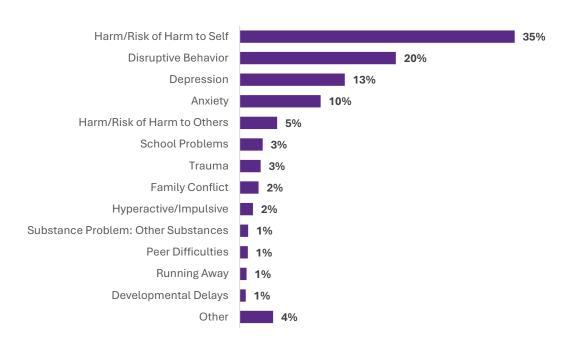
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UCC Referral Sources





UCC Presenting Challenges







Is Anyone Better Off?

Key Outcomes

98.9% of children met their treatment goals

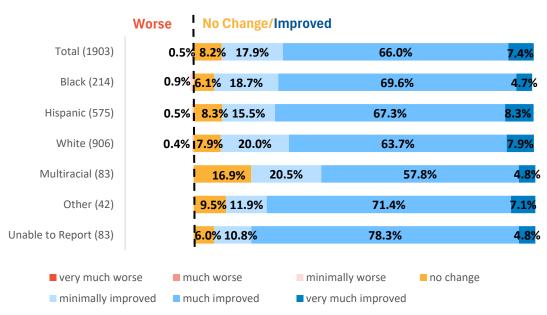
94.3% of children served in UCCs returned to their homes and communities

48.2% of families said they would have gone to the ED if not for the UCC



Improvement during visit

Compared to the child's condition at intake, at discharge the child's condition is...





Referrals from UCC to other services

Of all *referrals* made:

- 50% outpatient services
- 15% psychiatric provider for medication
- 10% Intensive in-home services
- 8% intensive outpatient services
- 7% other community-based services





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