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Executive Summary

Note: Due to COVID-19, schools were closed and stay-at-home orders were put in place for the non-essential workforce in Connecticut beginning in mid-March of 2020. While schools and businesses have now re-opened, the effects of COVID-19 are still being felt significantly. Mobile Crisis is still operational, and as part of the essential workforce providers are working with families to respond to calls via telephone, video conferencing, and in-person responses with safety of the child, family, and clinicians as the top priority. Possible difficulties related to the effects of COVID-19 in both service provision and data collection should be taken into consideration when reviewing this report.

<u>Call and Episode Volume</u>: In July 2022, 2-1-1 and Mobile Crisis received 594 calls including 430 calls (72.4%) handled by Mobile Crisis providers and 164 calls (27.6%) handled by 2-1-1 only (e.g., calls for other information or resources, calls transferred to 9-1-1. There was one crisis response follow-up coded as Mobile Crisis episode. This month showed a 17.3% increase in call volume from July 2021 (n=506). Call volume remains 20.5% lower than the same month in 2019 (n=747), prior to the start of the pandemic.

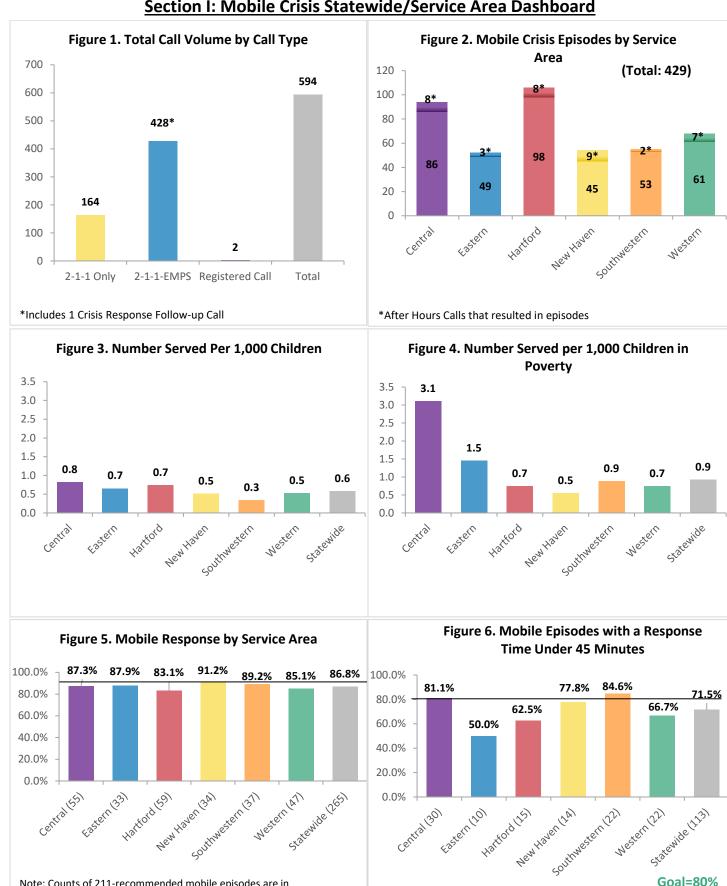
Among the **429 episodes of care** this month, episode volume ranged from 52 episodes (Eastern) to 106 episodes (Hartford). The statewide average service reach per 1,000 children this month was 0.6, with service area rates ranging from 0.3 (Southwestern) to 0.8 (Central) relative to their specific child populations. Additionally, the number of episodes generated relative to the number of children in poverty in each service area yielded a statewide average poverty service reach rate of 0.9 per 1,000 children in poverty, with service area rates ranging from 0.5 (New Haven) to 3.1 (Central).

Mobility: Statewide mobility was 86.8% this month; lower than the rate in July 2021 (90.5 %). One service area was at or above the 90% benchmark this month, with performance ranging from 83.1% (Hartford) to 91.2% (New Haven). Mobility for individual providers ranged from 66.7% (Wheeler: Meriden and Wellmore: Danbury) to 100% (CFGC: Norwalk). Five of the fourteen individual providers had mobility rates above the 90% benchmark. Since the beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic, both video telehealth and in-person responses are reflected within the report as "mobile" responses. Beginning in FY2022, the number of video telehealth episodes can be found in Figure 9. There was a decrease in telehealth responses this month (3, compared to 10 in June 2022).

Response Time: Statewide, this month 71.5% of mobile episodes received a face-to-face response in 45 minutes or less, which is lower than the rate in July 2021 (82.9%). While video telehealth responses are counted as "mobile" responses, they are excluded from the response time calculations in this report. Two of the six service areas were at or above the benchmark of 80% of mobile responses provided in 45 minutes or less, with performance ranging from 50.0% (Eastern) to 84.6% (Southwestern). Five of the fourteen sites met the 80% benchmark. The statewide median mobile response time was 32.0 minutes.

<u>Length of Stay (LOS):</u> Statewide, among discharged episodes, **none of the 46** *plus stabilization follow-up* **episodes exceeded 45 days**. The statewide median LOS for episodes discharged this month with a crisis response of *plus stabilization follow-up* was 7.0 days. The regional median LOS ranged from 6 days (Hartford) to 26 days (Eastern). Note: these calculations only include episodes that began during FY2023.

Section I: Mobile Crisis Statewide/Service Area Dashboard



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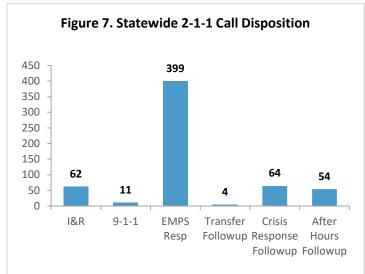
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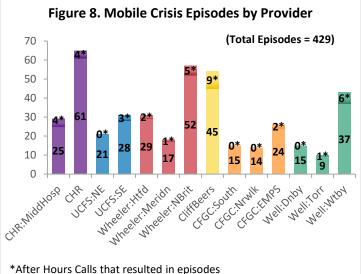
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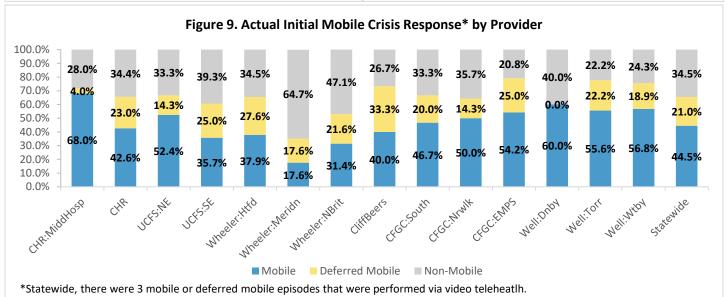
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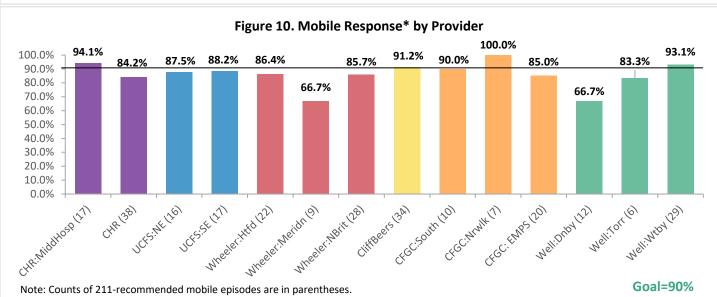
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Section II: Mobile Crisis Response

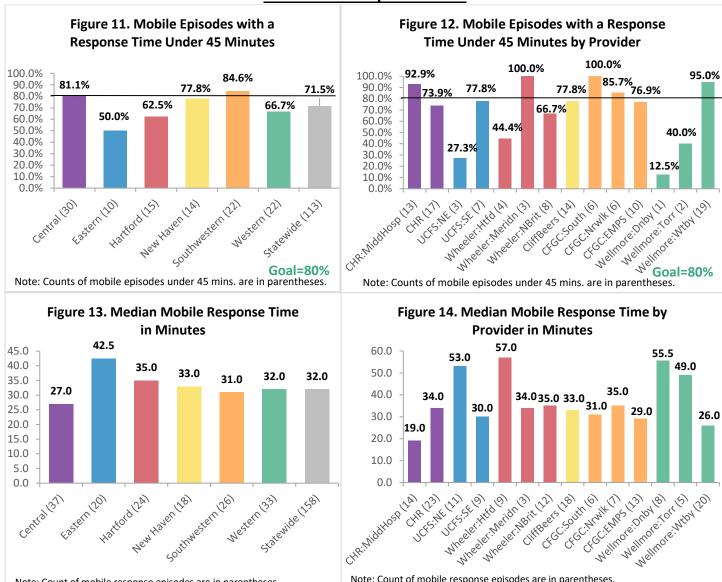








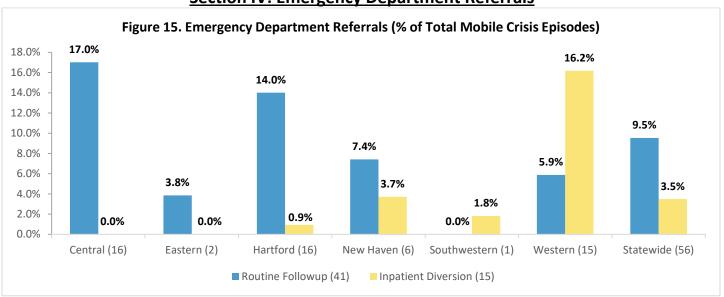
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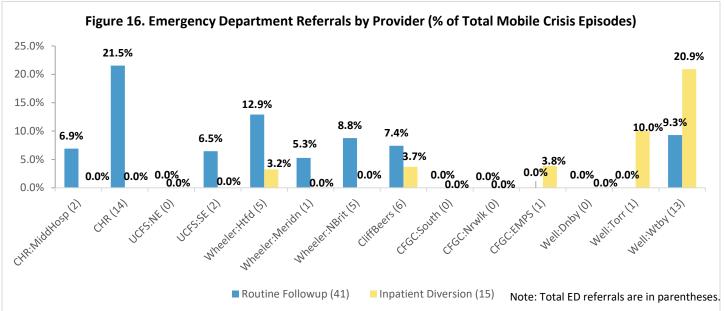


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Section IV: Emergency Department Referrals





Section V: Length of Stay (LOS)

Table 1. LOS for <u>Discharged Episodes*</u> with a Crisis Response Plus Stabilization Follow-up

	Discharged Episodes with a Crisis Response of Plus Stabilization Follow-up				
	Number of	Mean LOS	Median LOS	Percent Exceeding	
	Episodes	(in days)	(in days)	45 Days	
STATEWIDE	46	8.8	7.0	0% (n =0)	
Central	21	9.9	8.0	0% (n =0)	
Eastern	1	26.0	26.0	0% (n = 0)	
Hartford	6	7.7	6.0	0% (n = 0)	
New Haven	0	0.0	0.0	0% (n = 0)	
Southwestern	1	6.0	6.0	0% (n = 0)	
Western	17	6.9	7.0	0% (n = 0)	

^{*}Only episodes that had both a start and a discharge date within FY2023 are included in this chart.