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# **MOBILE CRISIS INTERVENTION SERVICES**

**Performance Improvement Center (PIC)** 

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#### **Executive Summary**

**Note:** As of January 2023, Mobile Crisis providers are available for a mobile response 24 hours a day, 7 days of the week. Prior to January 2023, a mobile response was only available Monday – Friday 6:00 AM to 10:00 PM and from 1:00 PM to 10:00 PM on weekends. At this time, the main content of this report only reflects calls that took place during the previous mobile hours. Data specific to the new overnight hours is reported in the appendix at the end of this report.

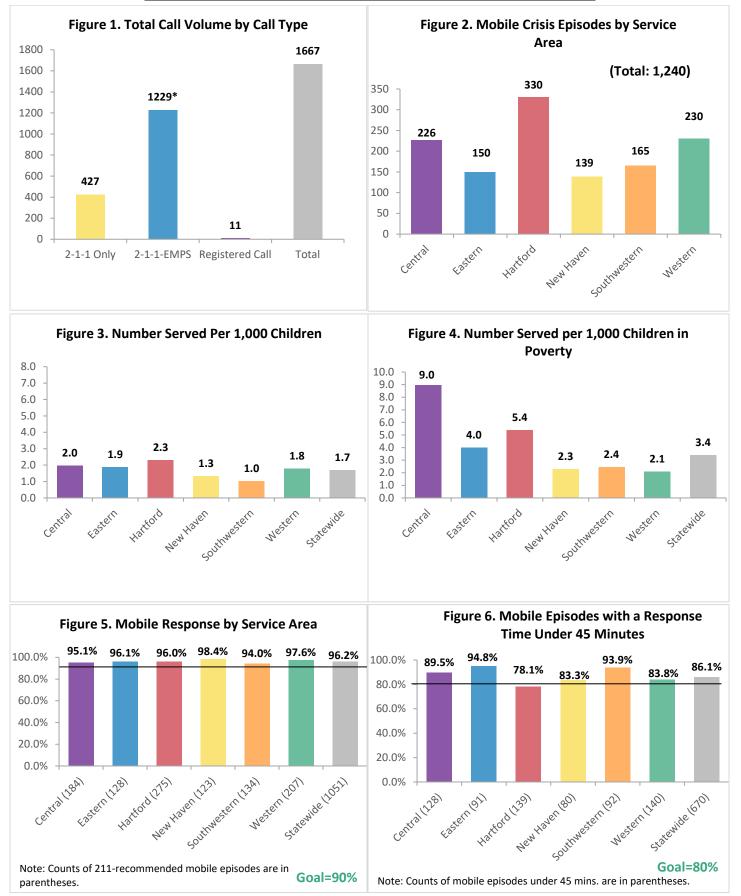
<u>Call and Episode Volume</u>: In May 2023, 2-1-1 and Mobile Crisis received 1,667 calls including 1,240 calls (74.4%) handled by Mobile Crisis providers and 427 calls (25.6%) handled by 2-1-1 only (e.g., calls for other information or resources, calls transferred to 9-1-1). This month showed a 4.6% decrease in call volume from May 2022 (n=1,747). Call volume remains 27.2% lower than the same month in 2019 (n=2,291), prior to the start of the pandemic.

Among the **1,240 episodes of care** this month, episode volume ranged from 139 episodes (New Haven) to 330 episodes (Hartford). The statewide average service reach per 1,000 children this month was 1.7, with service area rates ranging from 1.0 (Southwestern) to 2.3 (Hartford) 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 3.4 per 1,000 children in poverty, with service area rates ranging from 2.1 (Western) to 9.0 (Central).

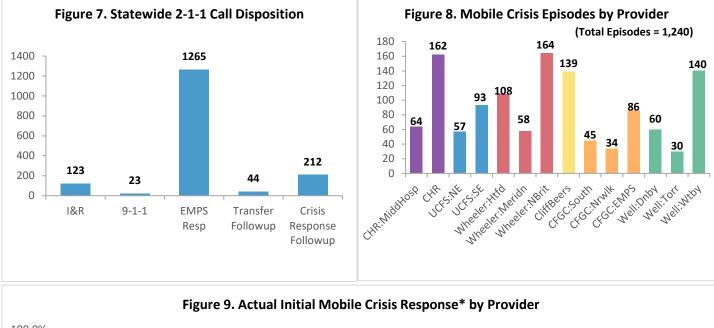
<u>Mobility:</u> Statewide mobility was 96.2% this month, higher than the rate in May 2022 (89.6%). All six service areas were above the 90% benchmark this month, with performance ranging from 94.0% (Southwestern) to 98.4% (New Haven). Mobility for individual providers ranged from 90.9% (CFGC: South) to 100% (Wheeler: Hartford and Wellmore: Torrington). All 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. The number of telehealth responses this month has increased (4, compared to 2 in April 2023).

**<u>Response Time</u>**: Statewide, this month **86.1% of mobile episodes received a face-to-face response in 45 minutes or less**, which is higher than the rate in May 2022 (78.3%). While video telehealth responses are counted as "mobile" responses, they are excluded from the response time calculations in this report. Five 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 78.1% (Hartford) to 94.8% (Eastern). Ten of the fourteen sites met the 80% benchmark. The statewide median mobile response time was 29.0 minutes.

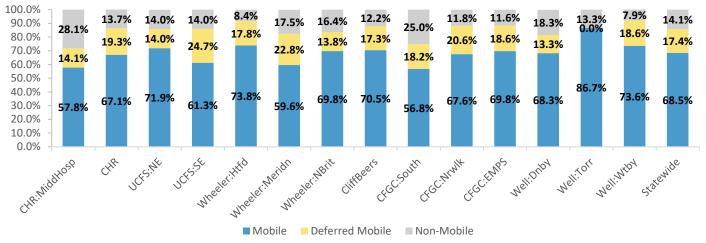
Length of Stay (LOS): Statewide, among discharged episodes, **15** of the **485** *plus stabilization follow-up* episodes exceeded **45** days. The statewide median LOS for episodes discharged this month with a crisis response of *plus stabilization follow-up* was 14.0 days. The regional median LOS ranged from 13.0 days (Central) to 65.0 days (New Haven). Note: these calculations only include episodes that began during FY2023.



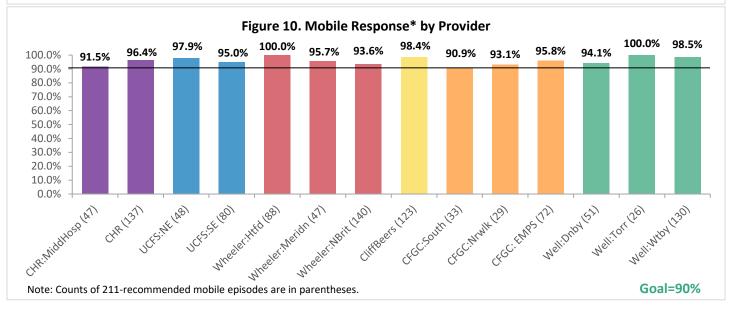
## Section I: Mobile Crisis Statewide/Service Area Dashboard



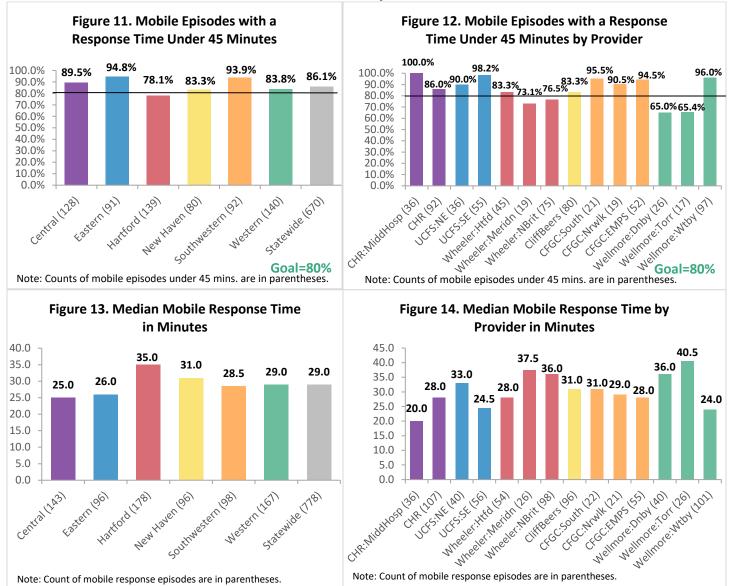
#### Section II: Mobile Crisis Response



\*Statewide, there were 4 mobile or deferred mobile episodes that were performed via video teleheatlh.



#### Section III: Response Time



#### **Section IV: Emergency Department Referrals**

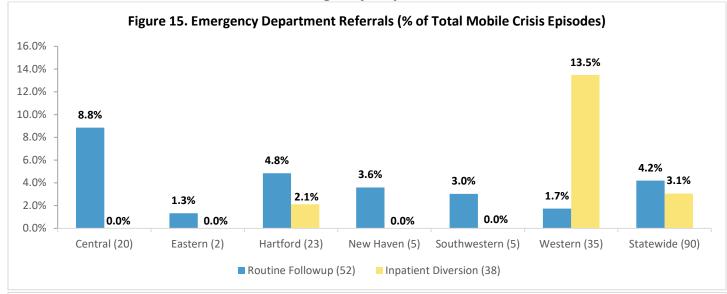
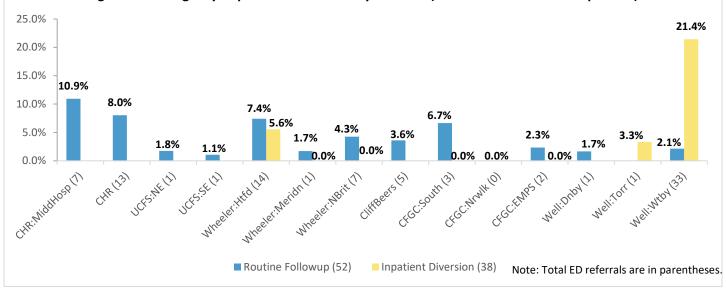


Figure 16. Emergency Department Referrals by Provider (% of Total Mobile Crisis Episodes)



# Section V: Length of Stay (LOS)

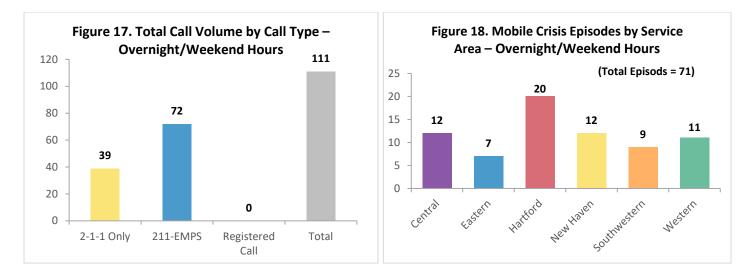
	Discharged Episodes with a Crisis Response of Plus Stabilization Follow-up					
Number of		Mean LOS	Median LOS	Percent Exceeding		
	Episodes	(in days)	(in days)	45 Days		
STATEWIDE	485	17.9	14.0	3.1% (n = 15)		
Central	179	16.1	13.0	2.2% (n = 4)		
Eastern	21	32.3	28.0	9.5% (n = 2)		
Hartford	137	16.7	14.0	0.7% (n = 1)		
New Haven	3	47.0	65.0	66.7% (n = 2)		
Southwestern	19	38.0	42.0	21.1% (n = 4)		
Western	126	15.7	13.5	1.6% (n = 2)		

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

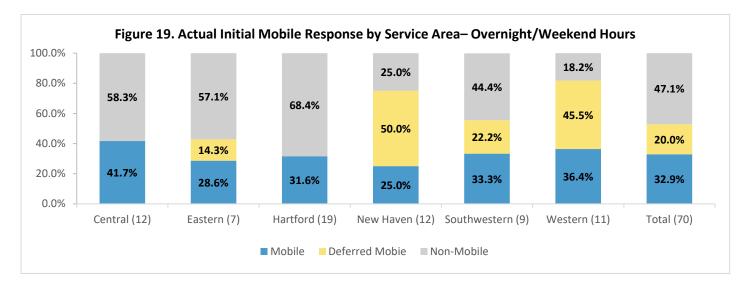
\*Only episodes that had both a start and a discharge date within FY2023 are included in this chart.

### **Appendix: Mobile Crisis Overnight and Weekend Hours**

This appendix provides an overview of Mobile Crisis episodes that took place during the new mobile hours in May 2023 (10 p.m. - 6 a.m. on weekdays and 10 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. on weekends). Mobile Crisis and 2-1-1 received 111 calls including 72 calls handled by Mobile Crisis providers and 39 calls handled by 2-1-1 only. Among the 71 episodes of care, episode volume ranged from 7 episodes (Eastern) to 20 episodes (Hartford).



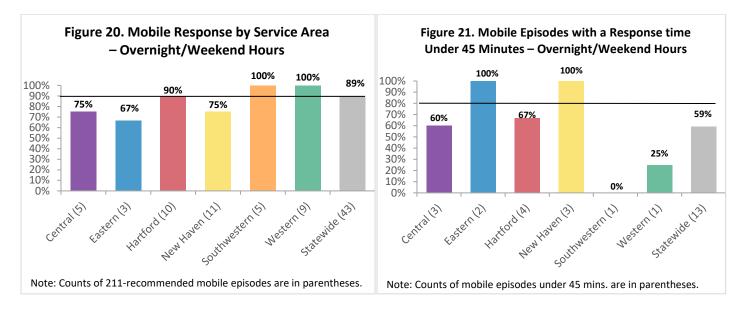
Statewide, 32.9% of these episodes received a mobile response, 20.0% received a deferred mobile response, and 47.1% received a non-mobile response. During the daytime hours, 68.5% of episodes received a mobile response (Figure 9). Of the 37 mobile and deferred mobile episodes, 19 received a face-to-face assessment, and an additional 11 received a face-to-face assessment plus follow-up.



#### Table 2. Assessment Type by Response Mode – Overnight/Weekend Hours

Response Mode	Phone Only	Face-to-Face	Plus Stabilization Follow-Up	Telehealth	Face to Face: Consultation Only	Total
Mobile	2	12	7	0	2	23
Non-Mobile	33	0	0	0	0	33
Deferred Mobile	0	7	4	1	2	14
Total	35	19	11	1	4	70

There were 43 episodes that 211 recommended for a mobile (or deferred) reponse. The statewide mobility rate was 89% with three regions meeting the 90% benchmark. Additionally, of the 23 episodes that had an immediate response, 59% received a face-to-face response in 45 minutes or less, with two of the six regions meeting the 80% benchmark.



The majority of referrals to Mobile Crisis during the overnight/weekend hours were from 'Self/Family' (72%) and Emergency Departments (18%).

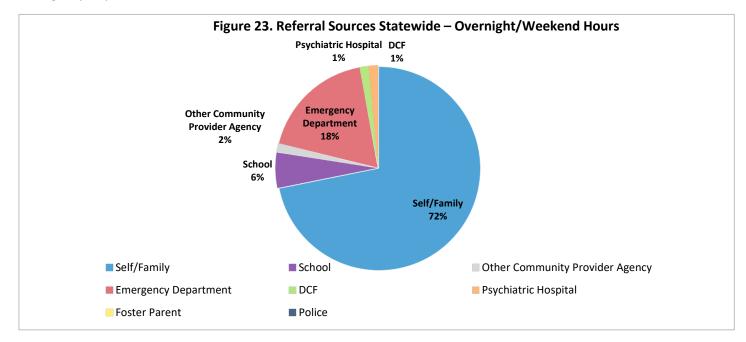


Table 3 reflects the number of calls during the newly added hours broken down by "shift", combining late night calls with the early morning. The highest volume of calls occurred from Friday at 10 p.m. to Saturday 1 p.m. (17 calls) and on Saturday at 10 p.m. to Sunday 1 p.m. (18 calls), which is 49.3% of the total calls that had occurred within the newly added hours.

Time	Sun 10PM - Mon 6AM	Mon 10PM - Tue 6AM	Tue 10PM - Wed 6AM	Wed 10PM - Thu 6AM	Thur 10PM - Fri 6AM	Fri 10PM - Sat 1PM	Sat 10PM - Sun 1PM	Total
22:00-22:59	3	2	7	2	2	3	1	20
23:00-23:59	0	0	1	1	0	2	1	5
0:00-0:59	2	1	1	3	1	0	0	8
1:00-1:59	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
2:00-2:59	1	0	2	0	1	0	1	5
3:00-3:59	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
4:00-4:59	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	2
5:00-5:59	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	4
6:00-6:59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	0	0
7:00-7:59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	1	2
8:00-8:59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1	1	2
9:00-9:59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0	2	2
10:00-10:59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	4	2	6
11:00-11:59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	3	5	8
12:00-12:59	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2	3	5
Total	9	5	11	6	5	17	18	71

#### Table 3. Episodes per hour based on day of week – Overnight/Weekend Hours