

2023 Consumer Satisfaction Survey Final Analysis & Recommendations

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2023 Response Rates

Full methods breakdown available at end of report



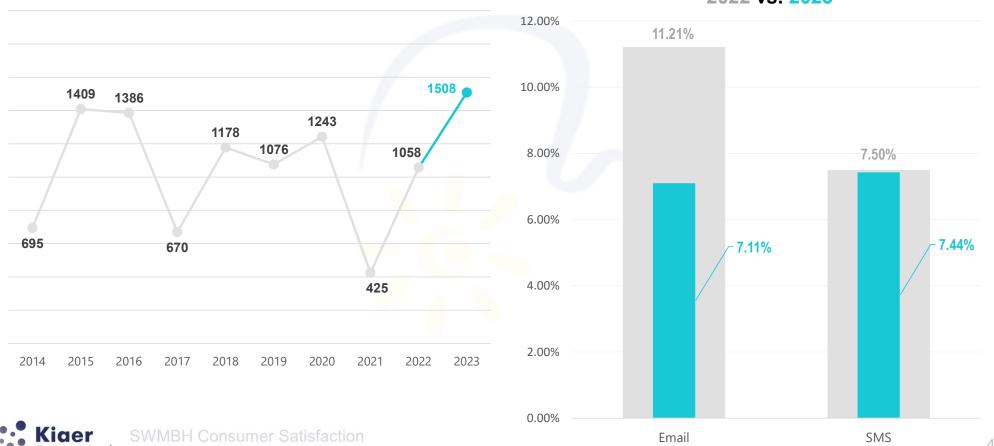
Highest number of responses ever recorded for 2023 MHSIP

In-office responses (via QR code or paper survey) accounted for 292 (19.3%) of MHSIP responses

MHSIP # of responses, 2014-2023

MHSIP response rate by medium

2022 vs. 2023

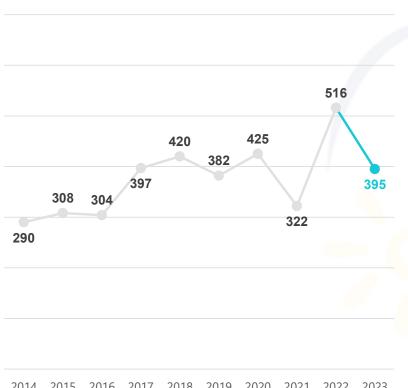




YSS total responses and response rates dipped in 2023

In-office responses (via QR code or paper survey) accounted for 73 (18.5%) of YSS responses

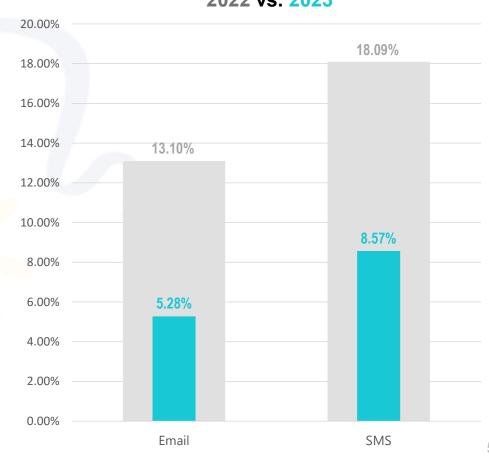
YSS # of responses, 2014-2023



2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020 2021 2022 2023



YSS response rate by medium 2022 vs. 2023



Changes to the 2023 Survey



Improving readability and adding demographic questions

Changes were made on 10/31/2023 at 5pm, with some responses already recorded

- After receiving feedback that the survey's reading level was too high, revisions were made to make questions simpler
 - Target for the survey: 6th grade reading level (Flesch-Kincaid)
 - Most revisions were not for the items themselves, but for the descriptive text before items
 - E.g.: "Please indicate your agreement or disagreement with each of the following statements" changed to "Please tell us whether you agree or disagree"
- Some items were revised to be more useful and reflective of reality
 - "I was able to get urgent treatment as soon as I needed to" was revised to "...get urgent support within 3 hours" this reflects a more realistic type of response from CMHs
 - "I was able to get every type of service that my provider recommended" was revised to "...every service that my provider and I decided I should get" to reflect the co-construction of treatment
- Further demographic questions were added
 - Asking more specifically where consumers received services for certain CMHs
 - Asking about primary living arrangement



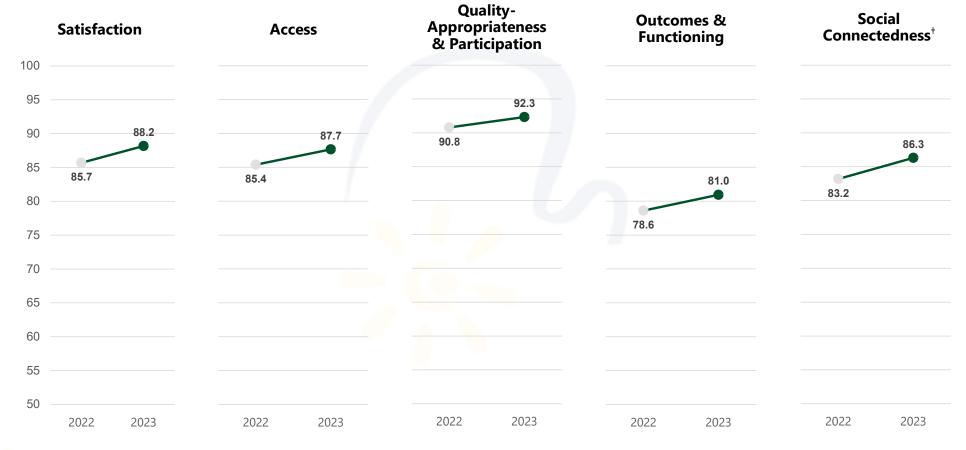
Mental Health Statistics Improvement Plan (MHSIP) Revised Tool: 2023 Results

Sample size: 1508



Overall, adults' social connectedness improved from 2022-2023

MHSIP scores by construct for previous 2 years, further past years incomparable due to survey changes. Difference in other constructs not statistically significant at 95% confidence.

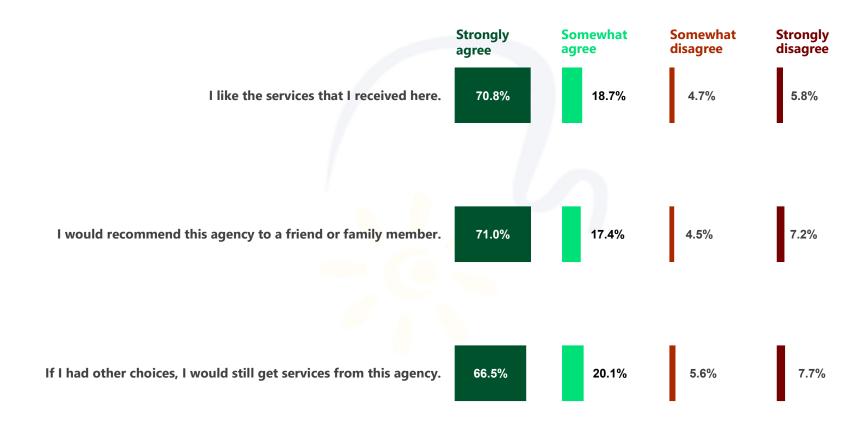




[†] significant difference (p < .05) between this county and others for construct

General CMHSP satisfaction was consistent across all items

And positive – a majority of MHSIP respondents **strongly agreed** with each item measuring satisfaction





Majority of consumers had good access to services

Treatment plan adherence and the timing of services were the most approved items.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
Staff were willing to see me as often as my treatment plan stated.	77.8%	13.2%	4.5%	4.5%
Services were available at times that were good for me.	70.9%	19.9%	4.5%	4.7%
Staff returned my calls within 1 business day.	67.5%	19.2%	6.5%	6.8%
I was able to get every type of service that my provider and I decided I should get.	69.7%	16.5%	6.3%	7.5%
I was able to get urgent support within 3 hours	61.9%	19.8%	6.1%	12.3%



Similar to 2022, lack of information provided biggest detractor from quality-appropriateness and participation

Still only just over 1 in 10 reported not having adequate information about their treatment

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
Staff respected my wishes about who should or should not be given information about my treatment.	85.0%	10.7%	1.6%	2.7%
I was given information about my rights.	83.9%	10.9%	2.4%	2.8%
Staff were sensitive to my cultural background (race, religion, language, etc.)	82.5%	11.8%	2.1%	3.6%
Staff encouraged me to take responsibility for how I live my life.	74.4%	18.3%	3.2%	4.1%
I was not afraid to ask questions about my treatment and medication.	78.9%	12.7%	4.5%	3.9%
I, not staff, decided my treatment goals.	66.6%	22.2%	6.2%	5.0%
Staff helped me get the information I needed (programs, side effects, etc.) so that I could take charge of managing my illness.	72.1%	16.3%	5.3%	6.2%



Consumer outcomes & functioning relatively consistent across all items

Nearly one in four disagreed that their "symptoms [were] not bothering me as much" – highest on all O&F items.

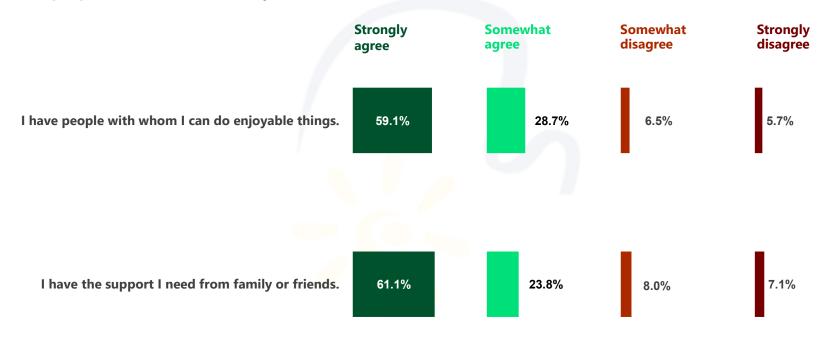
"Because of the help I received"	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
I can better handle my daily problems	58.7%	27.0%	6.6%	7.7%
I am better able to take care of my needs.	50.1%	33.5%	7.3%	9.1%
I am better able to do things that I want to do.	46.5%	35.3%	9.1%	9.0%
I am better able to handle things when they go wrong.	46.0%	34.4%	9.6%	10.0%
I do better in social situations	50.4%	29.7%	9.5%	10.4%
I do better in school and/or work.	50.0%	28.5%	10.0%	11.4%
My symptoms are not bothering me as much.	41.1%	34.6%	11.9%	12.5%



Strong majority of consumers have adequate social supports

Over 80% of consumers rated that they had social support in each item.

"Thinking about people other than staff from your CMH..."





All SWMBH CMHSPs: 2023 MHSIP scores by construct

Dark green denotes the percentage in agreement for that construct's items

Gray bars denote the likely range where the true percentage for all SWMBH consumers might lie (i.e., margin of error*)





Barry County: On par with other counties for 2023 MHSIP

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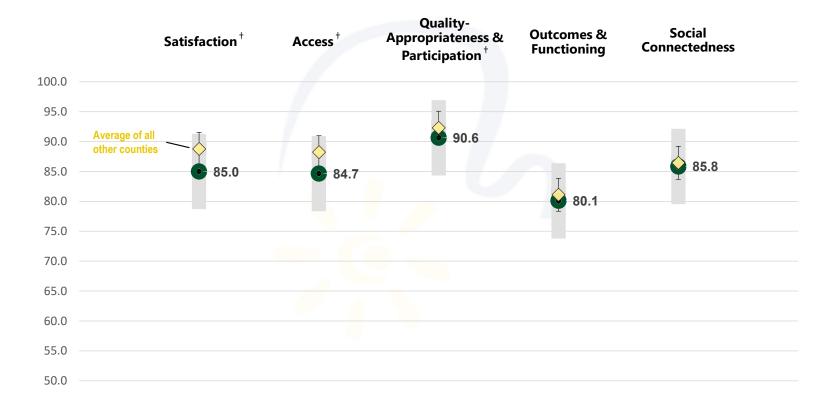




Berrien County: Below average in satisfaction, access, and Q-A/P in 2023

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Branch County: Above average in Q-A/P in 2023

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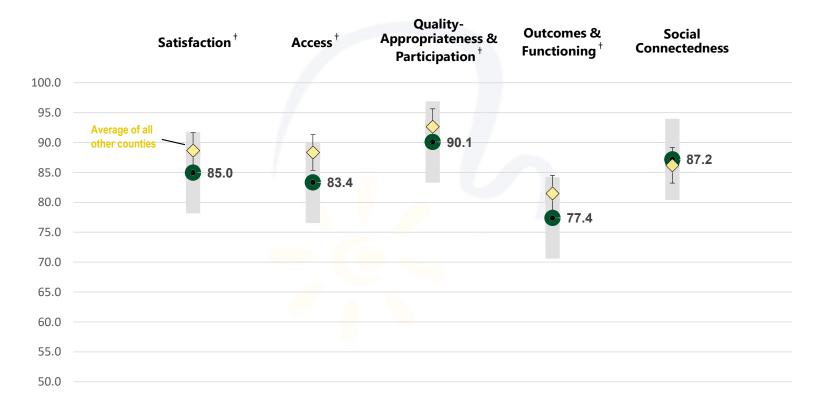




Calhoun County: Below average in all constructs except social connectedness in 2023

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Cass County: On par (statistically) with other counties for 2023 MHSIP

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Kalamazoo County: Below average in all constructs for 2023 MHSIP

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St. Joe County: Above average in all constructs for 2023 MHSIP

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Van Buren County: On par with other counties in 2023 MHSIP

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Age: Those 65 and up had higher ratings than other age groups

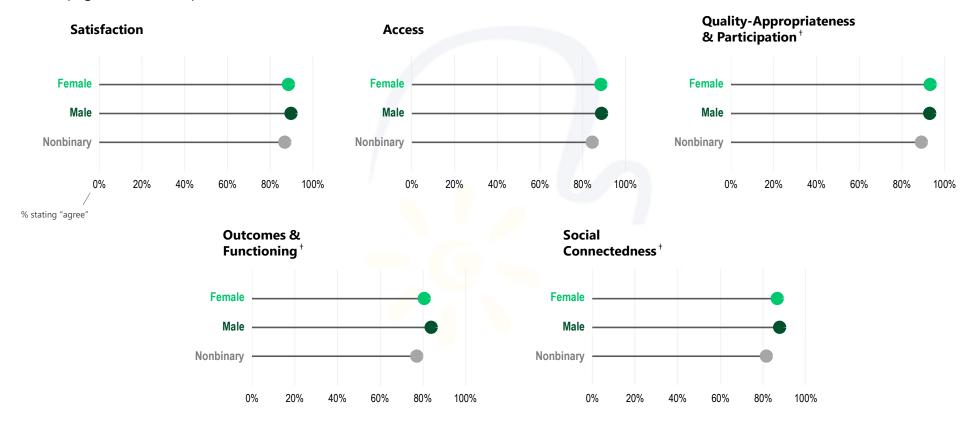
Although, construct ratings were generally similar between groups.





Gender: Nonbinary consumers reported lower quality-appropriateness & participation, outcomes, and social connectedness

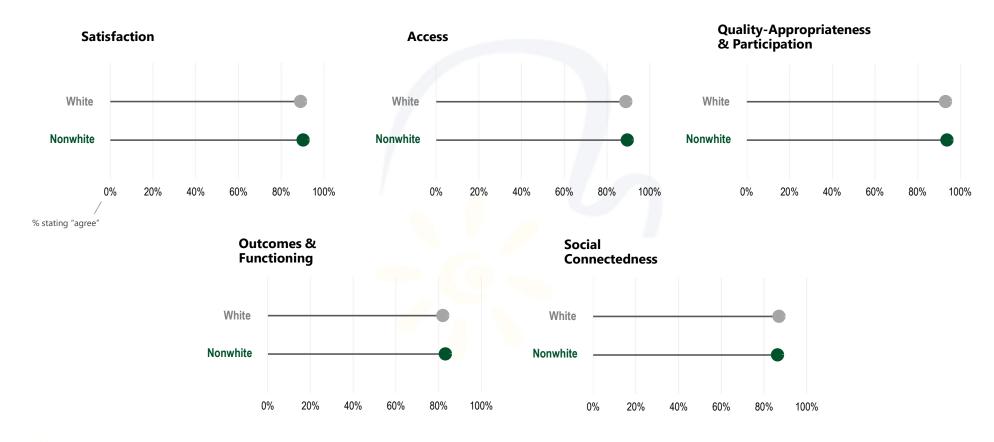
Meanwhile, male consumers rated both outcomes and social connectedness slightly higher than female consumers. The next page documents qualitative data from LGBTQIA+ consumers.





Race: Not much difference in ratings by race

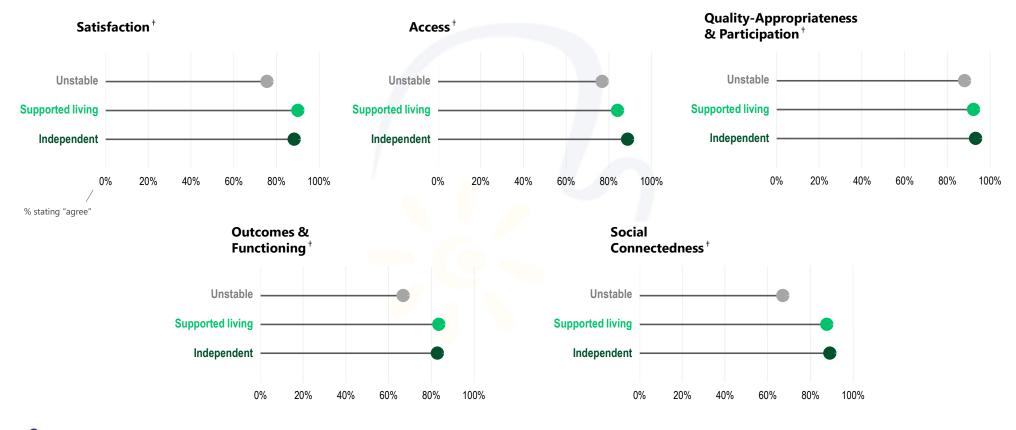
"Nonwhite" category comprises any race other than White, including Black/African American, Asian, Native American, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, or any mix of races. This aggregation was done mostly due to small sample sizes.





Living situation: Those with unstable housing had lower ratings, especially in access, outcomes & functioning, & social connectedness

Those in supported living had worse access ratings than those living independently (p < .05). "Unstable" was indicated if the respondent reported living in a shelter, motel/hotel, vehicle, etc. "Supported living" included AFC, a group home, or other supported independent living. "Independent" included all other living situations.





 † statistically significant difference (p < .05) found between groups Unstable n = 80

Supported living n = 150

Independent n = 867

Adult LTSS consumers reported better scores than non-LTSS adults in all constructs except social connectedness

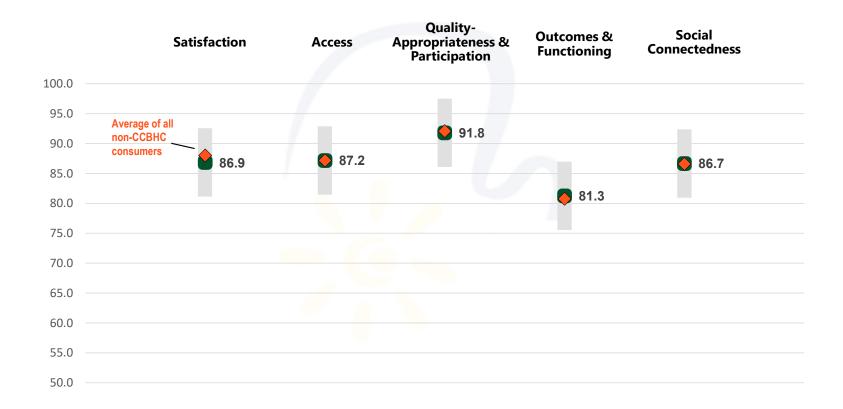
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Adult CCBHC consumers reported similar scores to non-CCBHC adults

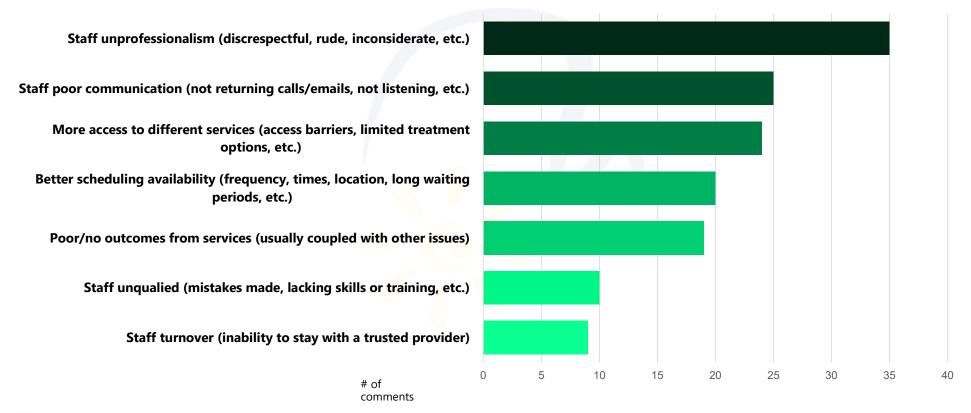
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Opportunities for improvement in staff conduct, more access

Of respondents to the MHSIP who were *dissatisfied* with services, staff conduct was cited most frequently. Respondents also desired better access and availability of services.





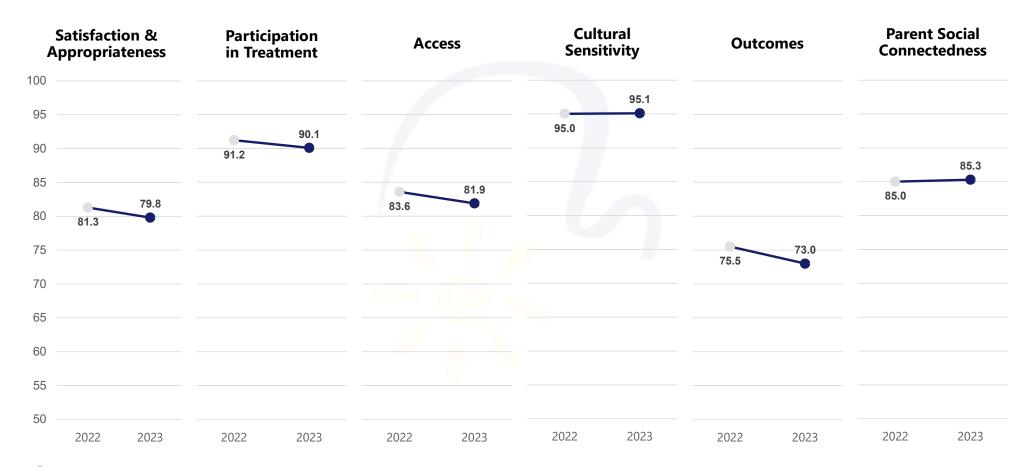
Youth Services Survey for Families (YSS) Revised Tool: 2023 Results

Sample size: 395



Overall, YSS saw similar ratings from 2022-2023 (no statistical difference)

YSS scores by construct for previous 2 years, further past years incomparable due to survey changes. Differences in constructs are not statistically significant.





CMHSP satisfaction & appropriateness hindered by access to services

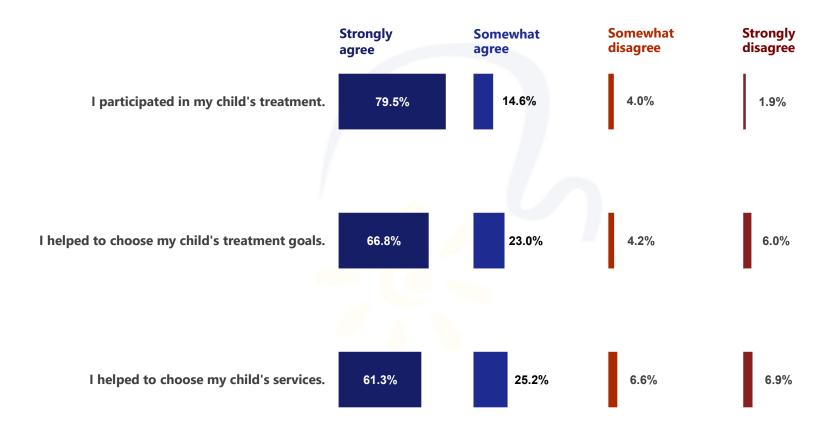
YSS item related to amount of help received got lowest strongly agree ratings for the second year straight

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
The people helping my child stuck with us no matter what.	63.8%	19.9%	5.9%	10.4%
Overall, I am satisfied with the services my child received.	57.4%	23.7%	10.3%	8.7%
The services my child and/or family received were right for us.	56.0%	24.2%	10.4%	9.4%
I felt my child had someone to talk with when they were troubled.	59.6%	20.5%	8.2%	11.7%
My family got as much help as we needed for my child.	49.6%	24.3%	10.7%	15.4%



Parents overall felt very involved with their child's services

YSS items measuring parental involvement in childrens' services received very low disagreement ratings





Most access ratings were strong, some weaker

Less **agreement** with items related to receiving different types of services and urgent treatment.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
Staff were willing to see my child as often as their treatment plan stated.	68.0%	17.2%	7.3%	7.5%
Services were available at times that were good for us.	63.9%	21.8%	7.6%	6.6%
Staff returned our calls within 1 business day.	65.4%	18.4%	7.7%	8.5%
My child was able to get every type of service that their provider said they should.	56.9%	22.6%	10.8%	9.7%
My child was able to get urgent treatment as soon as they needed.	52.4%	20.5%	13.5%	13.5%



CMHSP cultural sensitivity received near perfect ratings

A majority of YSS respondents gave the cultural sensitivity items **strongly agree** ratings

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
Staff respected my family's religious/spiritual beliefs.	85.4%	12.6%	0.0%	1.6%
Staff spoke with me in a way that I understood.	78.2%	15.5%	3.4%	2.8%
Staff were sensitive to my cultural/ethnic background.	79.3%	14.9%	1.9%	3.8%



Outcomes for youth consistent, but not stellar

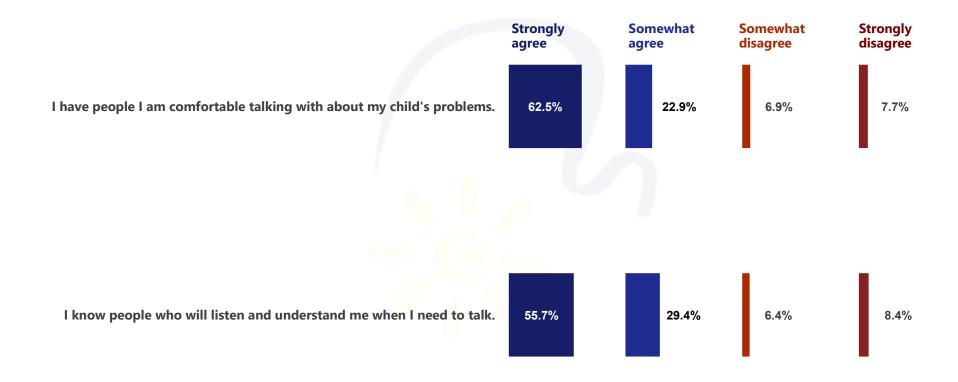
For close to 1 in 4 respondents, their child saw no improvement across the different outcome measures

"Because of the help my child and/or family received"	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree
My child is better at handling daily life.	48.2%	28.8%	6.3%	16.7%
My child is better able to do things they want to do.	41.8%	32.6%	11.8%	13.8%
My child gets along better with family members.	40.0%	33.2%	11.8%	14.9%
My child is doing better in school or work.	42.2%	28.2%	12.3%	17.4%
My child is better able to cope when things go wrong.	36.5%	33.7%	13.6%	16.2%



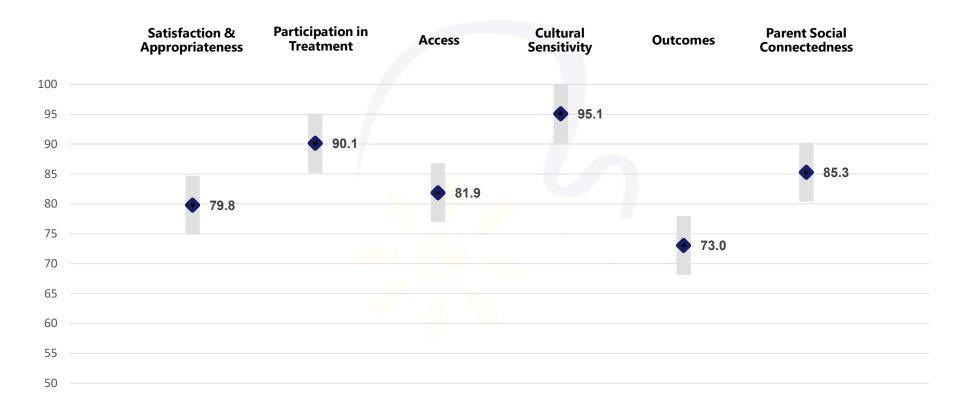
Parents' social connectedness rated as mostly positive

A majority of YSS respondents gave the social connectedness items agree ratings



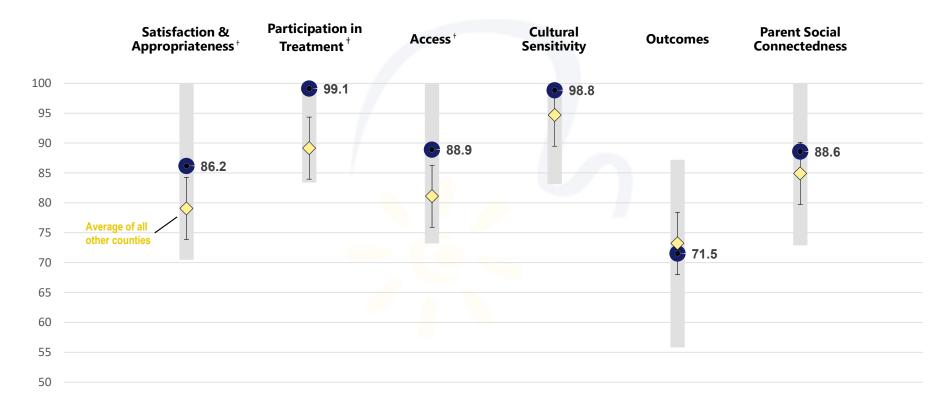


All SWMBH CMHSPs: 2023 YSS scores by construct





Barry County: Above average in satisfaction, participation, & access for 2023 YSS

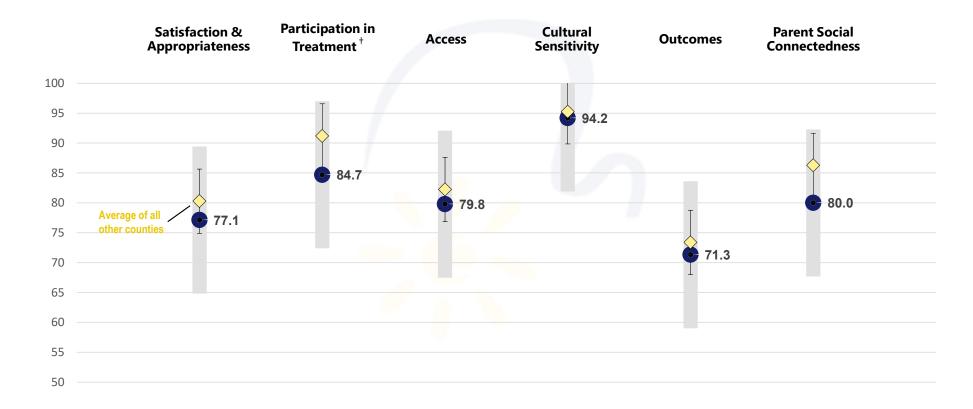




Berrien County: Below average in participation in 2023 YSS

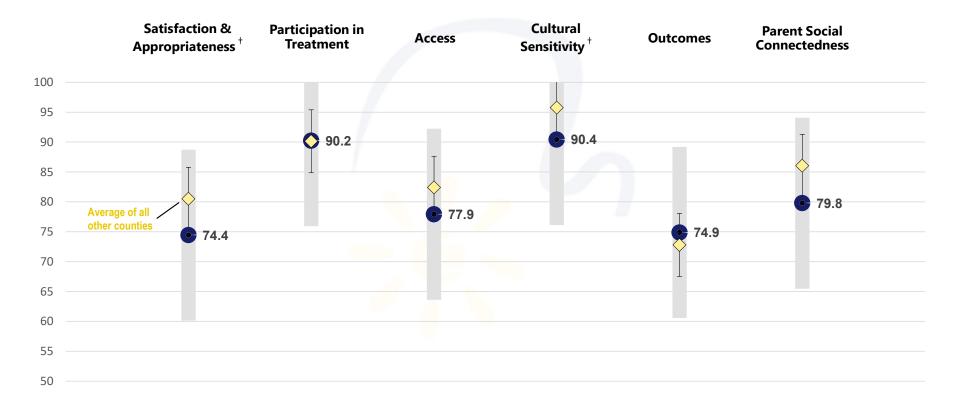
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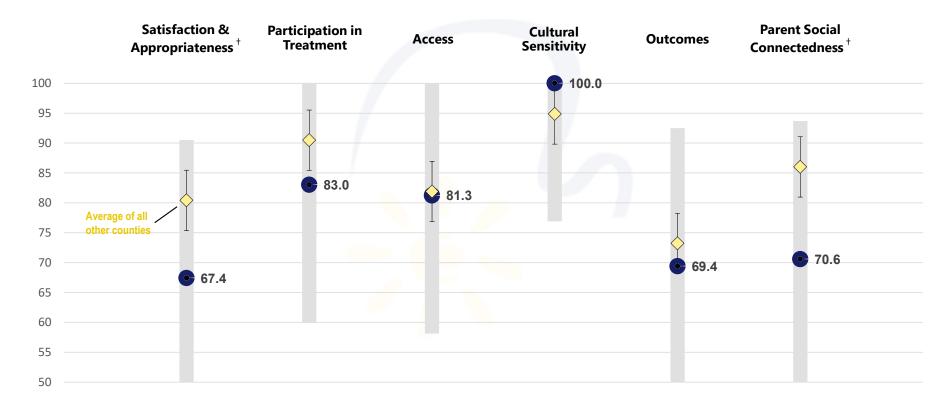


Branch County: Below average in satisfaction & cultural sensitivity in 2023 YSS



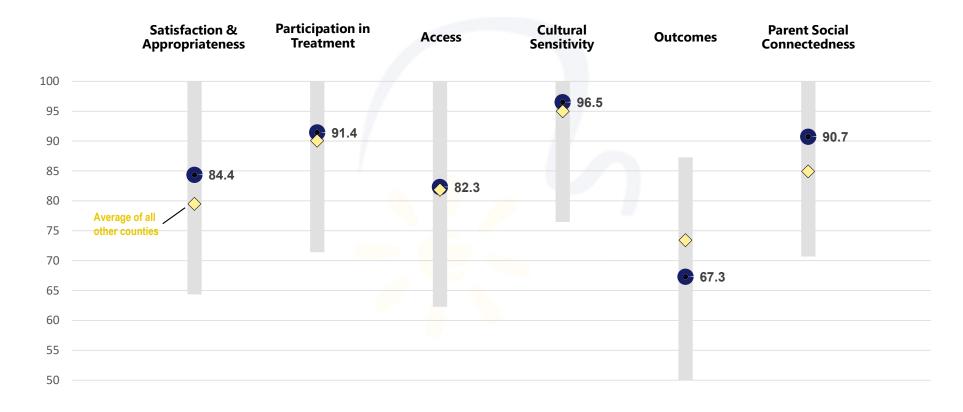


Calhoun County: Below average in satisfaction and parent social connectedness in 2023





Cass County: On par (statistically) with other counties for 2023 YSS

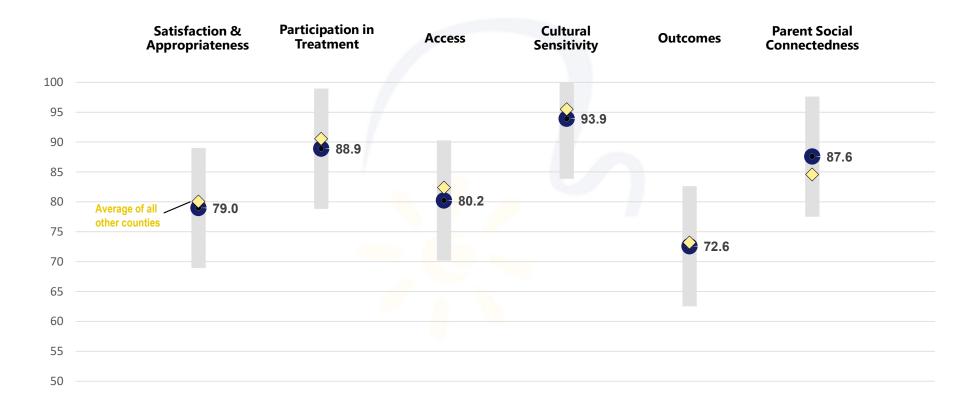




Kalamazoo: On par with other counties in 2023 YSS

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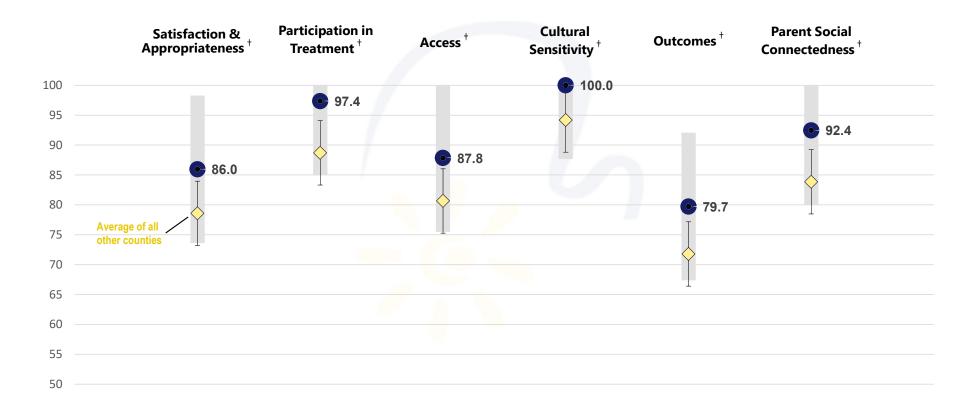
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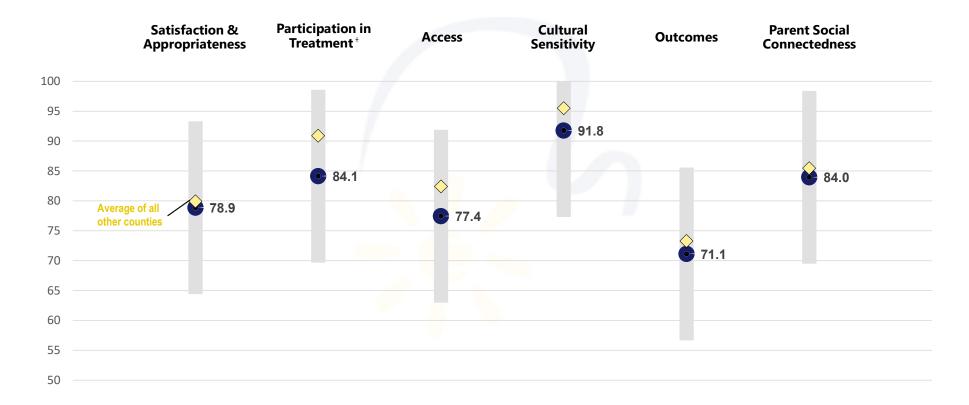
St. Joe County: Above average in all constructs for 2023 YSS





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Van Buren County: Below average in participation for 2023 YSS

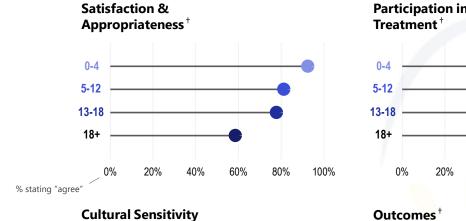


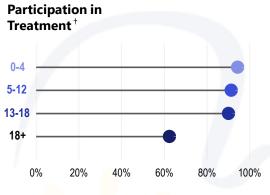


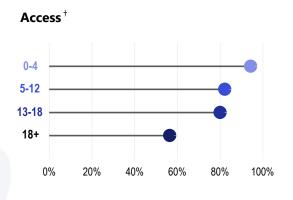
[†] statistically significant difference (p < .05) *margin of error for Van Buren County: ± 14.4 pts between this county and others for construct n = 46

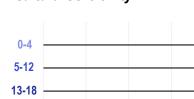
Generally, the older the youth, the lower the survey scores

YSS survey completers with children over 18 (n = 6) reported lower scores because the child was no longer in their care.



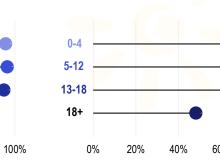


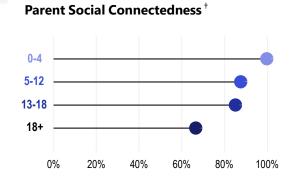




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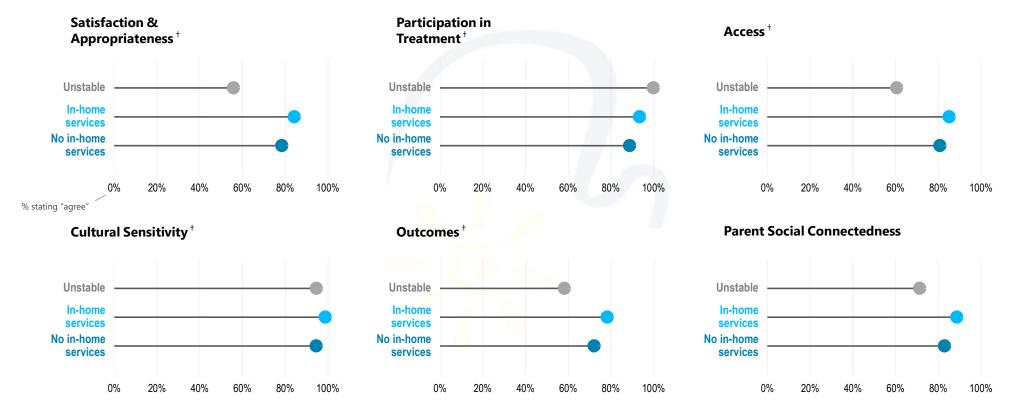


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Youth receiving in-home services tended to have higher ratings

Youth with unstable housing were rare; in-home services included foster care, group homes, residential care, or other in-home services. Youth's living situation did not show statistical differences in parent's social connectedness.





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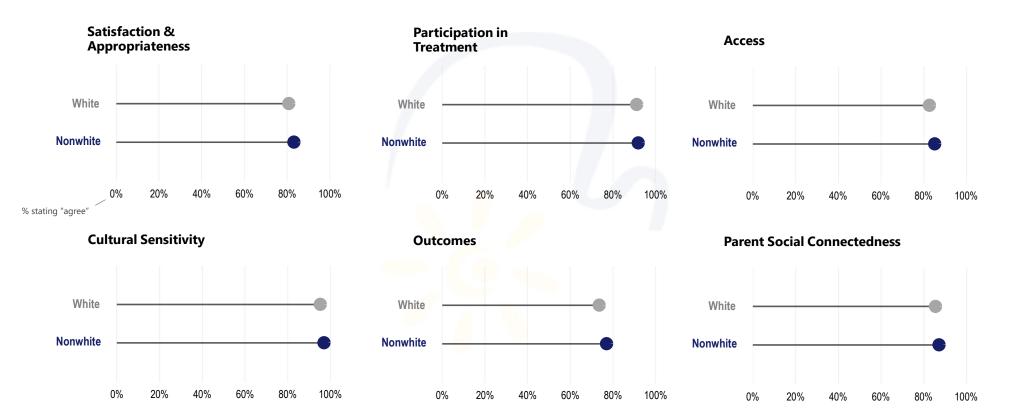
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In-home services n = 83

No in-home services n = 198

Youth scores similar for each race in 2023 YSS

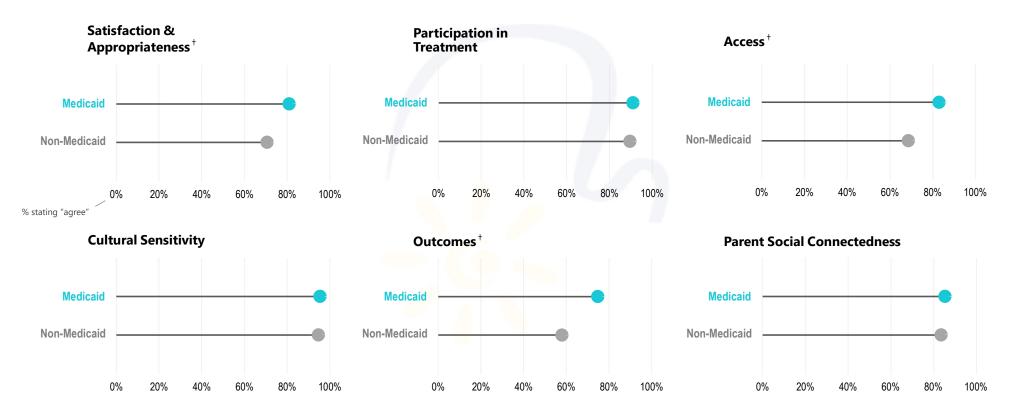
"Nonwhite" category comprises any race other than White, including Black/African American, Asian, Native American, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, or any mix of races.





Youth not using Medicaid reported less access, lower satisfaction, and poorer outcomes

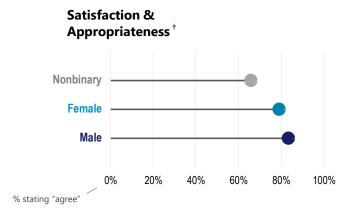
Non-Medicaid families mentioned staff "not knowing how to help them," being told "we can only help people with Medicaid," and being "on a waiting list for a Medicaid waiver."

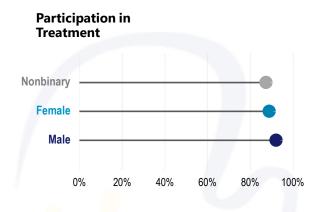


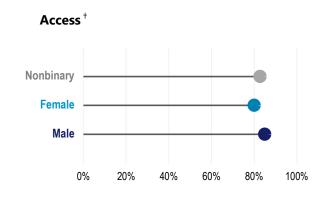


Generally, male youth had slightly higher reported ratings

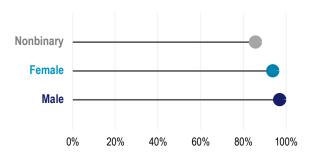
Nonbinary youth, despite only 8 reporting, had statistically worse reported outcomes and satisfaction than both male and female youth (p < .05).

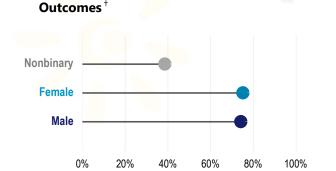




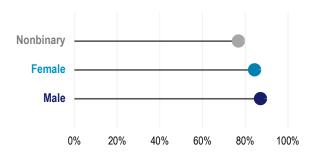


Cultural Sensitivity †





Parent Social Connectedness





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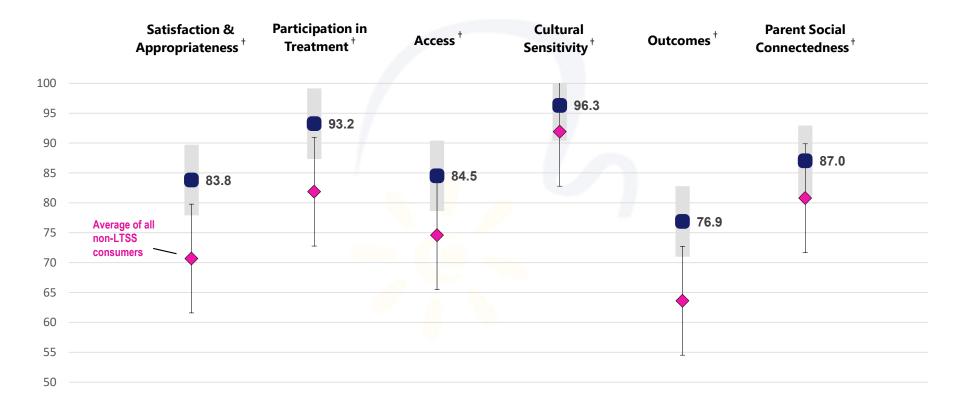
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Female n = 138

Male n = 218

Youth LTSS families report better satisfaction, participation, access, and outcomes for the 2023 YSS

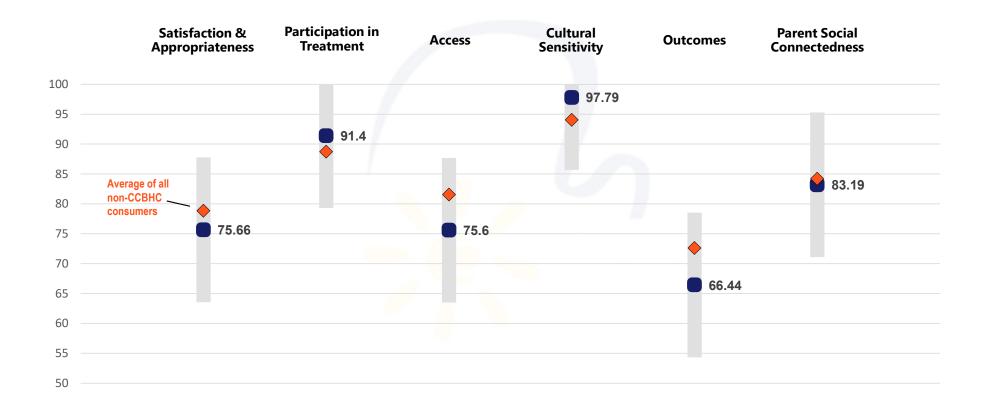
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Youth CCBHC families report similar scores to non-CCBHC consumers

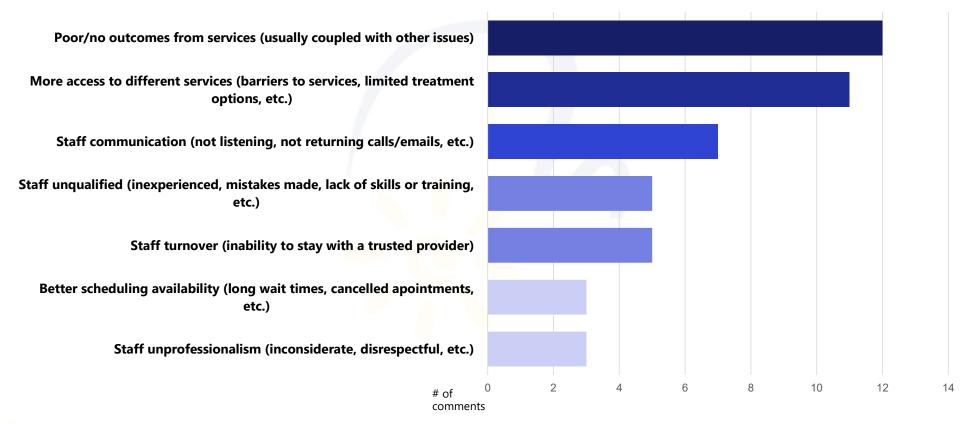
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Opportunities for improvement in granting more access to services

Comments emphasized the inability for their children to receive services as a driver of poor outcomes.



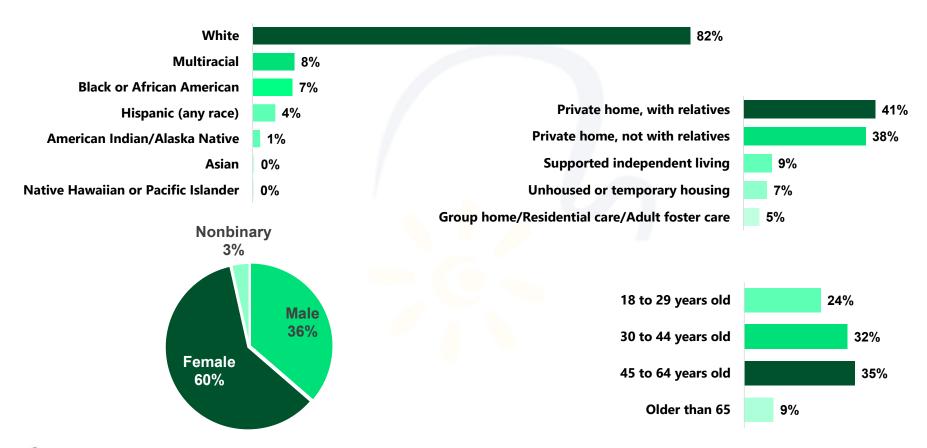


Survey Diagnostics, Methods & Recommendations



MHSIP 2023 respondents similar in makeup to prior years

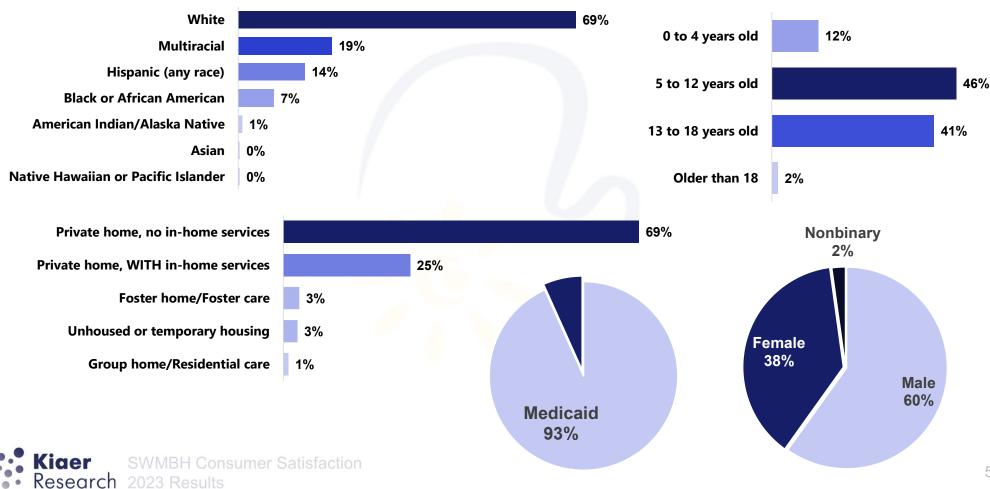
In 2023, a new question about living situation was asked, though it may be tweaked in future surveys.





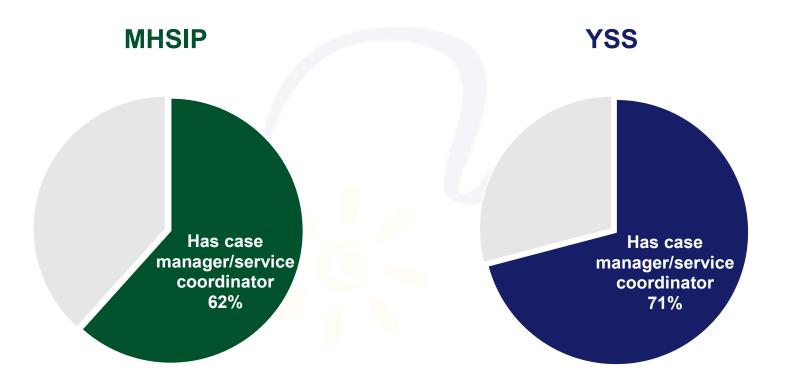
YSS 2023 youth represented were more diverse than in 2022

More Hispanic youth were represented and more non-Medicaid youth were represented.



More youth than adults reported having a case manager or service coordinator

Presence of case manager or service coordinator indicates consumer is receiving long term support services (LTSS)

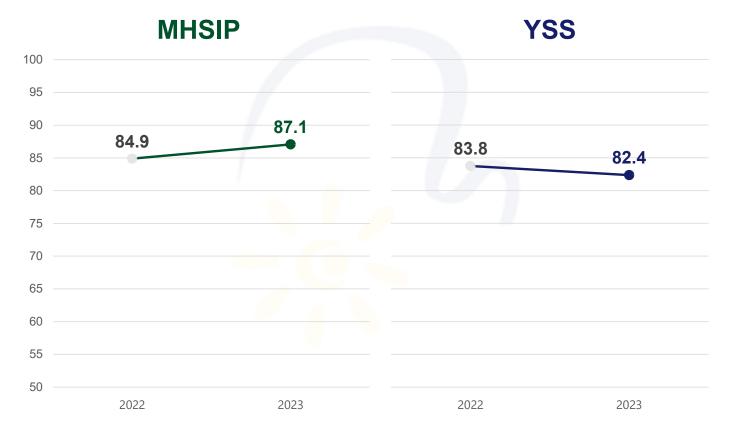




Total cumulative completions reached highest point in 2023This year, YSS responses dipped while MHSIP responses soared – opportunity for improvement for YSS



Total aggregate average score dipped for YSS, lifted for MHSIP in 2023 While 2022 had similar scores for MHSIP and YSS, 2023 has a nearly 5-pt difference between the two



Survey methods employed in 2023

- Survey invitations were first sent by email (if available) then by SMS (if possible)
- Some CMHs also printed out QR code flyers and paper surveys, the paper surveys being entered into Alchemer by CMH staff as completed
- Several survey revisions took place as mentioned in the second section of this report.
 Some 2023 respondents took the previous version of the survey, but the data was compiled altogether.
 - The revisions went live on 10-31-23, before survey invitations went out
- reCAPTCHA was employed due to many fake responses in 2022 this succeeded at keeping bots out of the survey



Analytical methods employed in 2023

- Results were disaggregated by more demographic variables than in the past
 - · Including new questions such as living situation and previous ones like race and age
- Statistical tests between a county and the group of other counties were conducted using Pearson's chi-squared test due to the data not following a normal distribution
- Statistical tests between demographic groups either used Kruskal-Wallis tests (if more than two groups needed to be compared) or Pearson's chi-squared tests (if only two groups needed to be compared)
 - Each of these were used due to the data not following a normal distribution
- In comparisons between counties where statistically significant differences were found, margins of error were also displayed for the comparison group



"My child is thriving, successful in every aspect of life...I am so extremely happy with services. Thank you!"

- YSS respondent



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