



BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD JUNE 2017

Update on Individuals with Serious Mental Illness Resistant to Treatment

*In Home Outreach Teams (IHOT) and
Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT)*

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IN HOME OUTREACH TEAMS (IHOT):

UNDERSTANDING THE PROCESS OF INDIVIDUALS
IDENTIFIED AS LAURA'S LAW CANDIDATES



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IHOT Teams:

- 2 contracted providers serve all six HHSA regions.
- Referrals are received from families, Homeless Outreach Teams, Law Enforcement, hospitals, PERT, jails, etc.
- Teams include a licensed clinician, case manager, Family Support Specialist, and Peer Support Specialist.
- Outreach and engage individuals resistant to treatment.
- Determine if individual is a Potential Laura's Law candidate (appears to meet all 9 criteria for Assisted Outpatient Treatment).

IHOT DEMOGRAPHICS

FY16/17 (7/1/16-12/31/16)



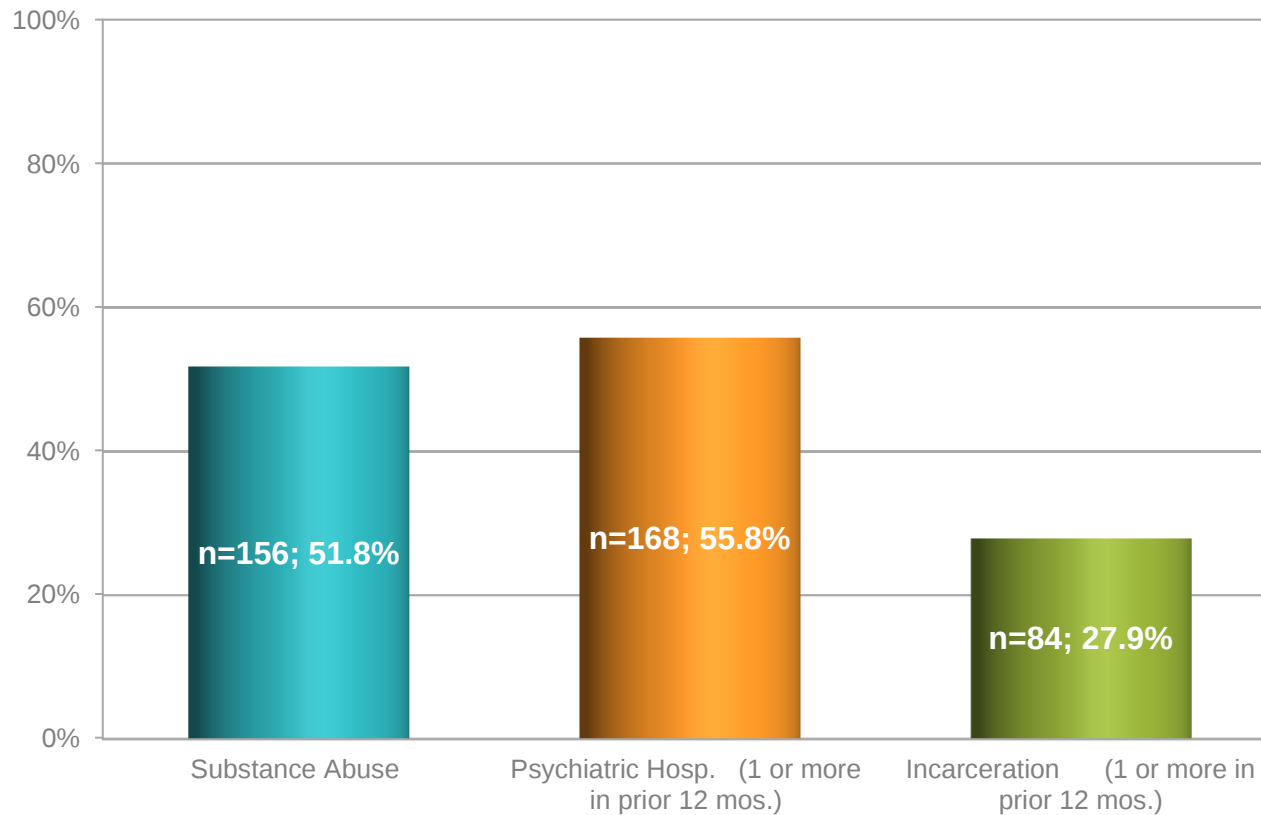
HHS Region	7/1/16-12/31/16	
	N	%
Central	67	22.3
East	37	12.3
South	28	9.3
North Coastal	67	22.3
North Central	41	13.6
North Inland	61	20.3
Total	301	100

Living Situation	7/1/16-12/31/16	
	N	%
Lives with Family	135	44.9
Homeless/Shelter	83	27.6
Lives alone	53	17.6
Lives with non-relatives	24	8.0
Jail/Justice Related	3	1.0
Board and Care	2	0.7
Institutional/ Residential Treatment	1	0.3
Other	0	0.0
Total	301	100

CHARACTERISTICS OF IHOT PARTICIPANTS



Substance Abuse, Hospitalization, and/or Incarceration* (Fiscal Year To Date; n=301)

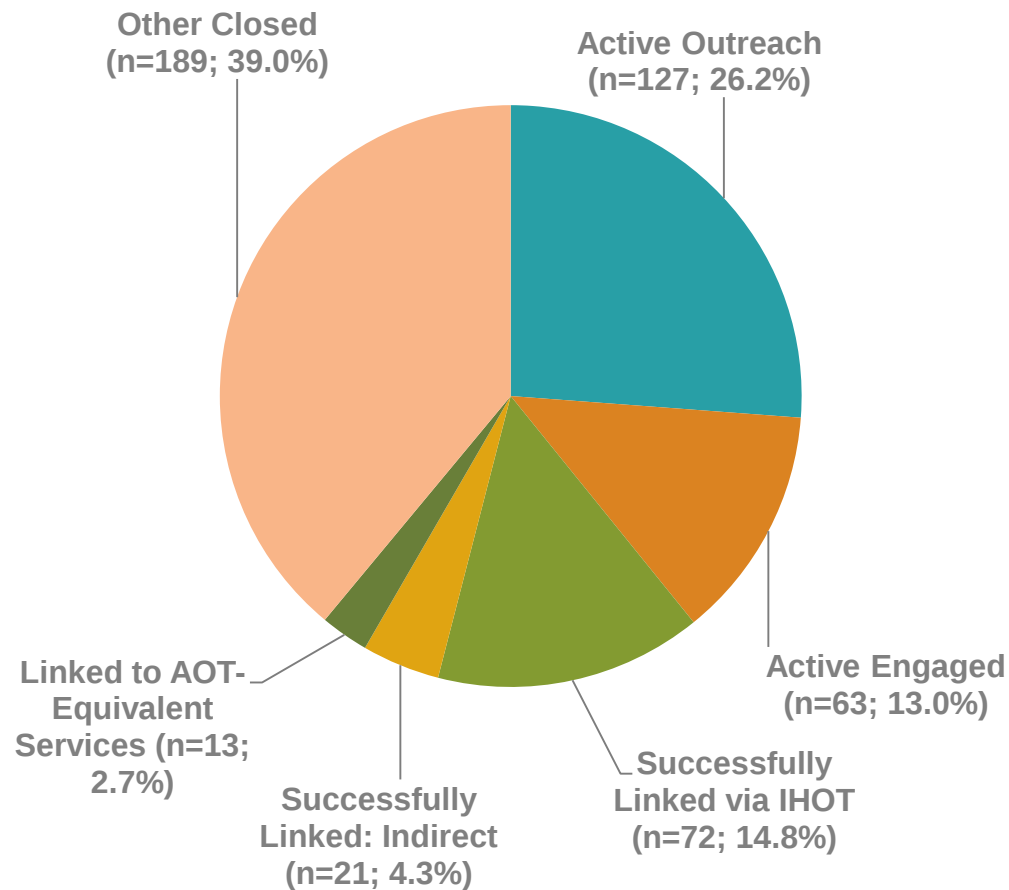


IHOT PROGRAM STATUS

7/1/16-12/31/16



IHOT Program Status (n=485)



IHOT KEY OUTCOMES

7/1/16-12/31/16

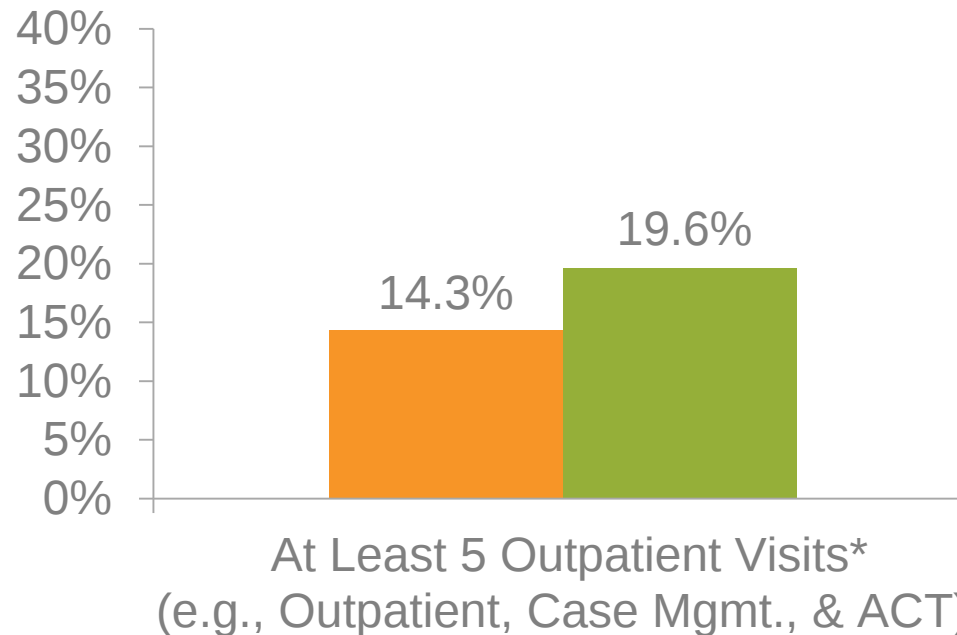


	IHOT Key Outcomes	# of individuals
1	Referred individuals accepted into IHOT	301
2	IHOT participants who appeared to meet all nine criteria for AOT, defined as Potential Laura's Law (PLL) candidates (approximately 40% of participants)	119
3	PLL candidates successfully linked to appropriate services and closed from IHOT program	22
4	PLL candidates requiring a higher level of care (i.e. conservatorship, hospitalization, etc.)	2
5	PLL candidates closed from IHOT program for other reasons including: unable to locate, moved out of county, ineligible for services, etc.	35
6	PLL candidates referred to AOT Clinician for a formal, face-to-face evaluation of Laura's Law eligibility	60

SERVICE UTILIZATION OUTPATIENT VISITS



Total Visits: Total outpatient visits increased by 63.7% (650 visits pre-IHOT and 1,064 visits post-IHOT)



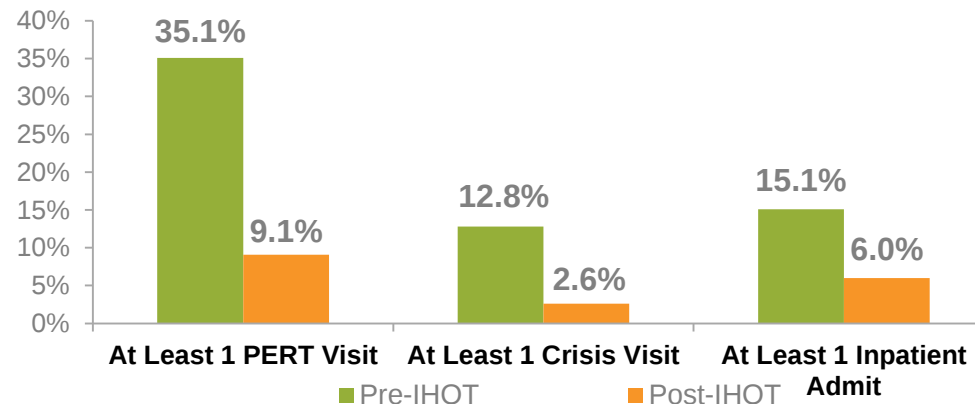
SERVICE UTILIZATION PERT, EPU, INPATIENT ADMISSIONS



Total Visits: Total PERT visits decreased by 67.8% (93 visits pre-IHOT, 30 visits post-IHOT)

Total Visits: Total EPU/Crisis visits decreased by 70.5% (44 visits pre-IHOT, 13 visits post-IHOT)

Total Admissions: Total inpatient admissions decreased by 49.2% (61 admissions pre-IHOT & 31 admissions post-IHOT)





- Laura's Law/Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT), or treatment mandated by court-order, is a process by which individuals with SMI, who are resistant to treatment, and meet nine criteria (pursuant to WIC 5345-5349.5), may be court ordered for treatment.
- AOT is regarded as a last resort after numerous attempts to engage and link the individual to services have been unsuccessful.

REFERRALS TO AOT



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- IHOT is the starting point of a treatment continuum with the goal of linking and connecting individuals with SMI to appropriate treatment, and, if eligible referring to AOT.
- If, after several attempts at engagement, an individual remains resistant to treatment and appears to meet criteria for AOT, they are referred to the AOT clinician for a face to face evaluation.
- The face to face evaluation seeks to determine if the path to court-ordered treatment via AOT is appropriate.

TWO PATHS TO AOT



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- If the participant appears to meet AOT criteria , there are two paths for entering the program:
 1. The individual is provided with the opportunity to participate in the AOT program as a voluntary participant with no court involvement.
 2. The individual refuses voluntary participation and a petition is initiated to court order the individual into the AOT program. This petition may result in a settlement agreement, court order, or dismissal.



- AOT is a Full Service Partnership (FSP), Assertive Community Treatment (ACT).
- Continuum of services to include recovery and wellness services along with psychiatric care.
- Focus on preventing decompensation and cycling through acute services (psychiatric hospitalization, incarceration, etc.).
- Highly collaborative, field-based teams provide intensive services.

AOT KEY OUTCOMES

7/1/16-12/31/16



	AOT Key Outcomes	# of individuals 7/1/16 – 12/31/16
1	Number of clients who met criteria under Laura's Law and were accepted into the AOT program	33
2	Number of clients who voluntarily accepted treatment in the AOT program	17
3	Number of petitions filed for individuals who refused voluntary services	0
4	Number of clients who are still in process (i.e. seeking voluntary acceptance post-evaluation, etc.) or discontinued for other reasons (i.e. unable to locate)	16
5	Number of individuals who were court-ordered into treatment	0

NEXT STEPS



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- Resources were reallocated from AOT to IHOT effective 4/1/16.
- Additional enhancements include:
 - Clinical assessment within 72 hours for high risk clients discharging from hospital or crisis centers.
 - Staffing to support engagement process.



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Thank you!!

Questions or Concerns?

