



Mental Health Outcomes Management System (mHOMS) Annual Outcomes Report

FY 2022-2023

Adult and Older Adult (AOA) Behavioral Health Services

Overview

County-contracted and County-operated behavioral health programs for adults and older adults collect outcome measures on a regular basis for clients who have a Behavioral Health Assessment (BHA). Specifically, outcomes assessments are entered into the Mental Health Outcomes Measurement System (mHOMS) for clients in Assertive Community Treatment (ACT), Case Management (CM), Outpatient (OP), and the Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Residential program (RES). Assessments are typically conducted every six months.

The following outcomes are collected in mHOMS:

- **The Illness Management and Recovery (IMR) Scale:** The IMR includes 15 clinician-rated items and addresses aspects of illness management and recovery. Scores can also be reported as three subscales, which combine individual items to represent illness management, recovery, and substance abuse dimensions of treatment outcomes.
- **The Recovery Markers Questionnaire (RMQ):** The RMQ is a 24-item questionnaire that assesses elements of recovery from the client's perspective. It was developed to provide the mental health field with a multifaceted measure that collects information on personal recovery.
- **Milestone of Recovery Scale (MORS):** The MORS captures clinician-reported recovery using a single-item recovery indicator. Clinicians are asked to categorize clients into one of the eight stages of recovery (rated 1 through 8, respectively) based on a client's level of risk, their level of engagement within the mental health system, and the quality of their social support network.

After Q1, Q2, and Q3 of each fiscal year, data from mHOMS is analyzed to create an interactive Snapshot Tool highlighting process outcomes and outcomes objectives by program. Process outcomes provide information about completion rates within the given quarter for both IMR and RMQ measures. Outcomes objectives include analysis of improvements in IMR and RMQ scores completed during the given quarter. In lieu of the Snapshot Tool, a summary report of IMR and RMQ scores for all clients (both New and All), including those with a pair of completed assessments, during the fiscal year is generated after Q4. Scores in this annual summary report are reported at both the overall system-level and by level of care (LOC) to present progress towards recovery across the entire fiscal year. IMR and RMQ assessment compliance for Q4 are also included in this report.

Key Findings

- Completion rates for intake and follow-up IMR and RMQ outcomes assessments were calculated for New and Existing clients in Q4 to determine the proportion of assessments that were entered into mHOMS within appropriate time frames. **Completion rates for both New and Existing clients decreased** for FY 2022-23 compared to FY 2021-22. Completion rates are also provided to reflect those who receive telehealth services. The current report considers completion rates for **all clients open in Cerner Community Behavioral Health (CCBH), the County of San Diego Behavioral Health Services (SDCBHS) electronic health record, at the end of Q4 with any service type.**
- New clients in FY 2022-23 had lower average IMR scores, RMQ scores, and MORS ratings at intake**, compared to All clients' previous assessment. This trend is expected, as clients new to services may be in crisis or experiencing greater symptom distress than clients who have been receiving services for several months or years.
- Both New and All clients had significantly better Overall IMR, IMR Recovery, IMR Management, and IMR Substance Use scores between the intake/previous assessment and most recent assessment. These findings indicate that, in general, **clients made progress towards their recovery** during FY 2022-23.
- The majority of New (**60%**) and All (**52%**) clients **had improvements in their RMQ scores** at the most recent assessment, compared to their intake/previous assessment. There was also a **statistically significant change in RMQ scores** for New and All clients between the previous/intake assessment and the most recent assessment. These findings suggest that, on average, **clients perceived that they made progress towards recovery during FY 2022-23.**
- Improvements in MORS ratings** from the intake/previous assessment to the most recent assessment were **statistically significant** for New ($p < 0.001$) and All clients ($p < 0.001$).
- MORS ratings improved** for almost half of **New (45%) clients** but **remained consistent** for the majority of **All (66%) clients** between the intake/previous and most recent assessment.
- Poorly coping/engaged was the most common MORS rating** by clinicians for New clients (**75%**) and for All clients (**76%**) at the most recent assessment.
- Of the 144 All clients who identified as experiencing impairments to functioning due to substance use, as indicated by an IMR Substance Use subscale score of 1 or 2 on their Intake assessment, 117 of them (**81%**) **showed improvements in substance use recovery** at the time of their most recent assessment and 16 (**11%**) **maintained their level of impairment** from the intake assessment and the most recent assessment. The IMR Substance Use subscale is the primary method of reporting the impact of substance use on functioning within the adult and older adult (AOA) System of Care (SOC).
- During FY 2022-23, there was a statistically significant increase in Overall IMR scores, Overall RMQ scores, and MORS ratings for both New and All clients who received services from Outpatient programs. IMR scores also increased significantly for All clients in the ACT and RES programs during FY 2022-23. These findings suggest that, in general, **clients showed progress towards recovery** during FY 2022-23.
- More clients had a pair of IMR assessments than RMQ assessments** (New: IMR – 69%, RMQ – 65%; Existing: IMR – 44%, RMQ – 36%) during FY 2022-23. This is unsurprising, as self-report measures completed by clients are encouraged, but are not a mandatory part of care.
- Scores on **most individual IMR and RMQ items increased significantly** for both New and All clients during the fiscal year.

Process Outcomes for Q4

Measures Entered at Appropriate Timeframes

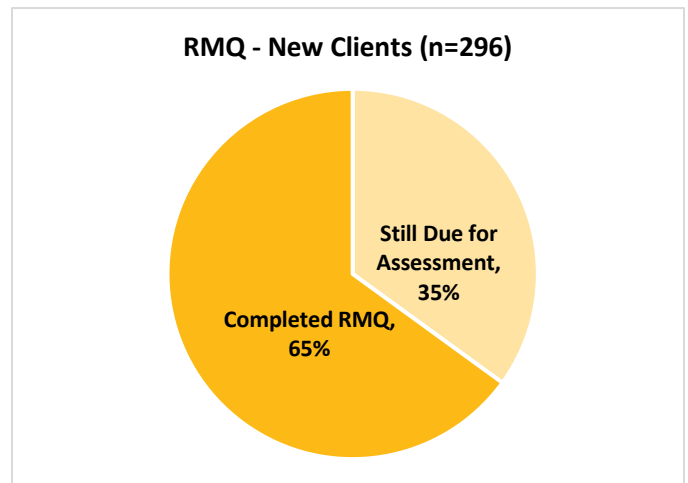
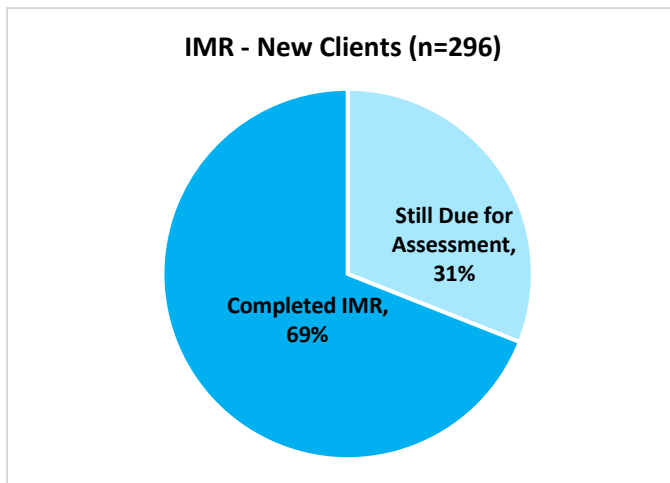
To better assess mental health outcomes, the County of San Diego Behavioral Health Services (SDCBHS) implemented a system of measuring recovery from both clinician and client perspectives. mHOMS measures should be completed for all eligible clients at intake with re-assessment every six months. Complete data from as many clients as possible will allow for accurate examination of system and program-level outcomes.

Staff are expected to enter clinician and client measures into mHOMS within 30 days of intake for New clients and can complete measures 30 days prior and 60 days after the due date for existing clients who are within a follow-up assessment period. Existing clients are due for an assessment if they do not have a completed outcomes assessment in mHOMS within the previous six months. Assessments are considered completed when successfully entered into the mHOMS system during the appropriate assessment period.

Intake Assessments Completed during Q4 of FY 2022-23 for New Clients

Clients are considered New to the AOA SOC if they meet the following criteria:

- The client had an open assignment in CCBH at the end of Q4.
- The client's first AOA service within the past two years occurred during Q4 at a subunit that completes outcomes assessments in mHOMS.
- The client was not discharged or closed in CCBH during Q4.



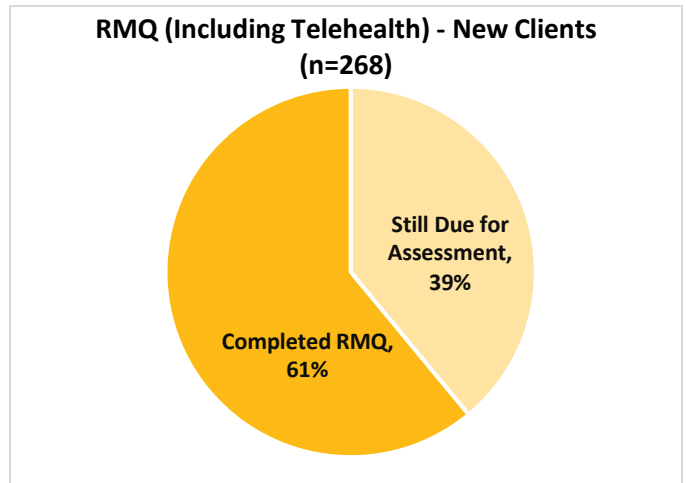
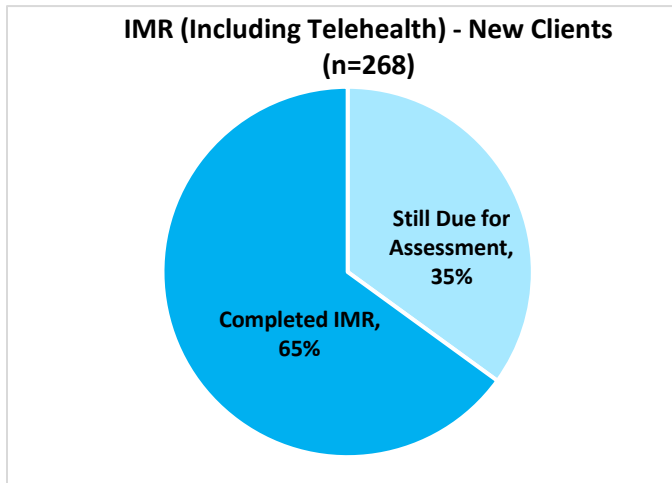
Note: Assessment completion is evaluated up to 30 days after the end of the quarter.

It is important to note that previous mHOMS Outcomes reports limited assessment completion rates to clients with an Assessment or Case Management service type in CCBH. Per discussions with AOA representatives during previous years, all New clients with 1) an open assignment at the end of Q4 and 2) any service during Q4 are included in the charts above. Therefore, assessment completion rates reported here may be lower than those reported in previous reports.

During Q4 of FY 2022-23:

- 296 New clients received services from AOA subunits that enter outcomes assessments into mHOMS.
- The majority of New clients had an IMR (**69%**) assessment and around the same amount of New clients had a RMQ (**65%**) assessment entered into mHOMS at intake.
- 95 New clients (**32%**) did not have an outcome assessment (either IMR or RMQ) completed in mHOMS.

Considering the COVID-19 pandemic, an increase in telehealth service utilization was observed across the SOC to comply with social distancing guidelines. Telehealth is the provision of services via audio-visual two-way real time communication. Assessment completion information for those who used services including telehealth during Q4 is displayed below.



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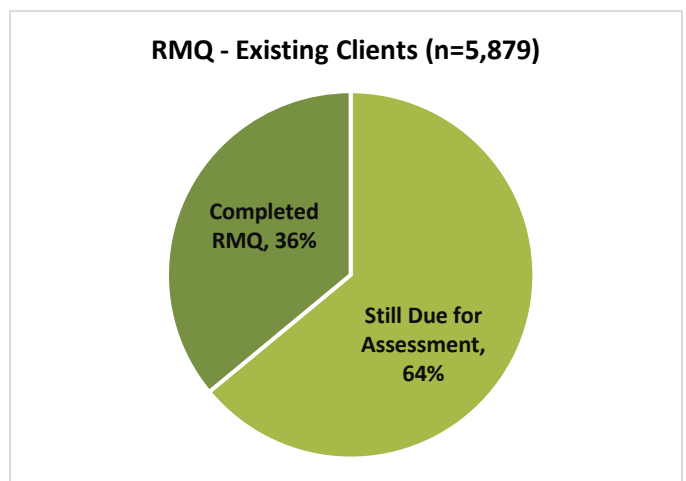
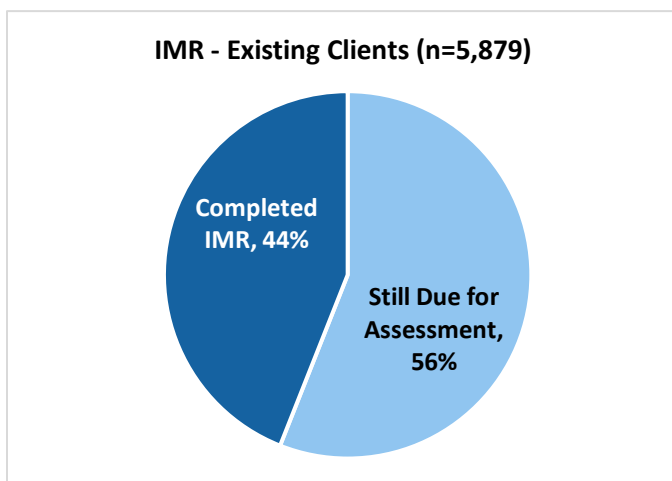
At the end of Q4 of FY 2022-23:

- 268 New clients received services from AOA subunits that enter outcomes assessments into mHOMS.
- The majority of New clients had an IMR (**65%**) assessment and around the same amount of New clients had a RMQ (**61%**) assessment entered into mHOMS at intake.
- 99 New clients (**37%**) did not have an outcome assessment (either IMR or RMQ) completed in mHOMS.

Follow-up Assessments Completed during Q4 of FY 2022-23 for Existing Clients

Clients are considered Existing in the AOA SOC if they meet the following criteria:

- The client had an open assignment in CCBH at the end of Q4.
- The client had an AOA service during Q4 from a subunit that enters outcomes assessments into mHOMS.
- The client received an AOA service within two years prior to the AOA service received during Q4.
- The client was not discharged or closed in CCBH during Q4.



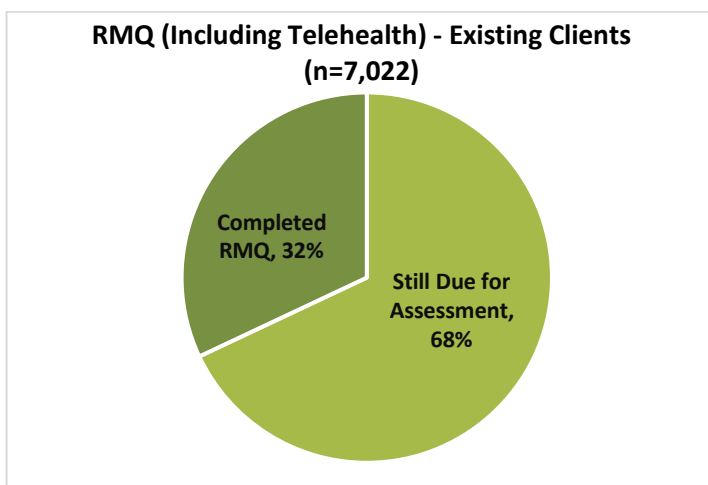
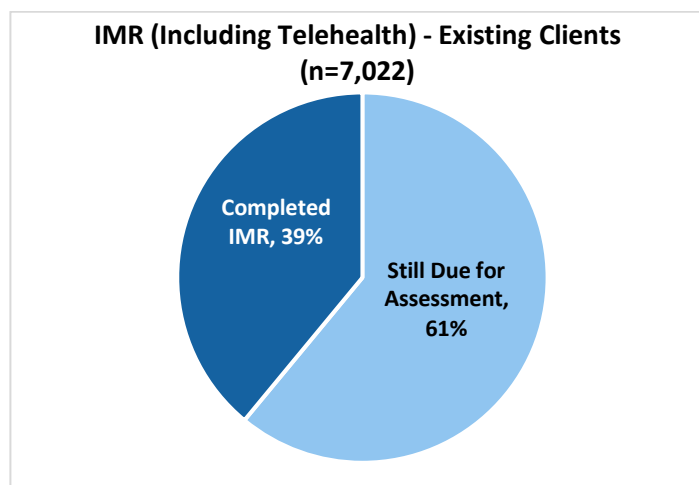
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At the end of Q4 of FY 2022-23:

- 5,879 Existing clients were due for either an IMR or RMQ assessment during Q4.
- IMR assessments were entered in mHOMS for more than two-fifths (**44%**) of Existing clients.
- The follow-up RMQ assessment was completed for less than two-fifths (**36%**) of Existing clients.

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At the end of Q4 of FY 2022-23:

- 7,022 Existing clients were due for either an IMR or RMQ assessment during Q4.
- IMR assessments were entered in mHOMS for less than two-fifths (**39%**) of Existing clients.
- The follow-up RMQ assessment was completed for nearly one-third (**32%**) of Existing clients.

Recovery Outcomes Across the System of Care during FY 2022-23

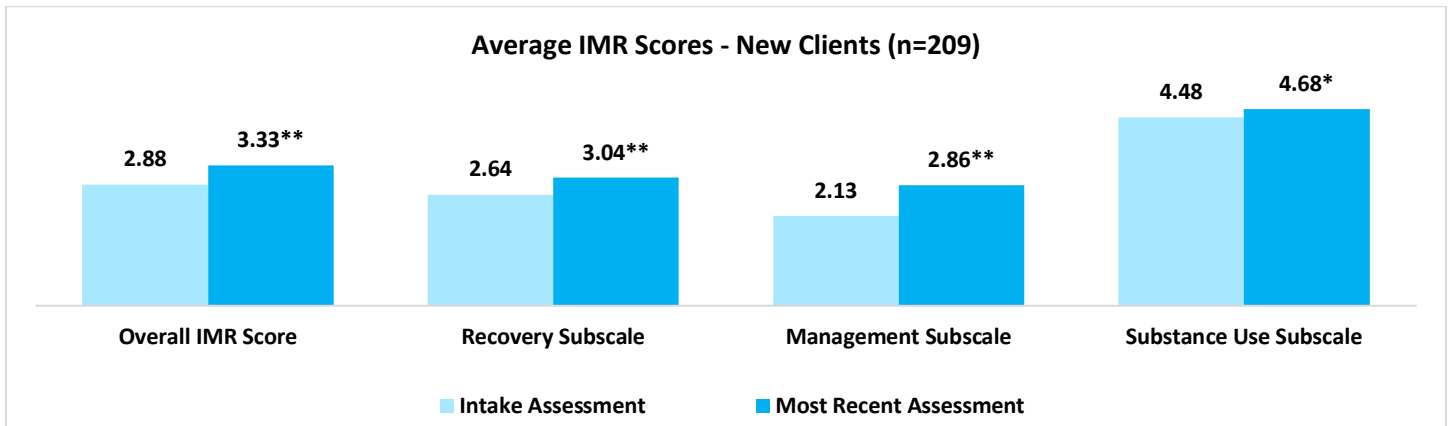
Recovery is a primary goal of the SDCBHS. To better assess mental health outcomes, SDCBHS implemented a system of measuring recovery from both clinician (using the IMR and MORS) and client (using the RMQ) perspectives. To evaluate clients' progress towards recovery systemwide, changes in IMR and RMQ scores and changes in MORS ratings are examined across the fiscal year.

Illness Management and Recovery (IMR) Scale

The IMR, which measures clinicians' perceptions of their clients' recovery, is typically conducted at intake with reassessment every six months. IMR scores range from 1 to 5, with 5 representing the highest level of recovery. Scores can be reported as both an Overall Score and by using three subscales which combine individual items to represent illness recovery, management, and substance abuse dimensions of treatment outcomes.

New Clients

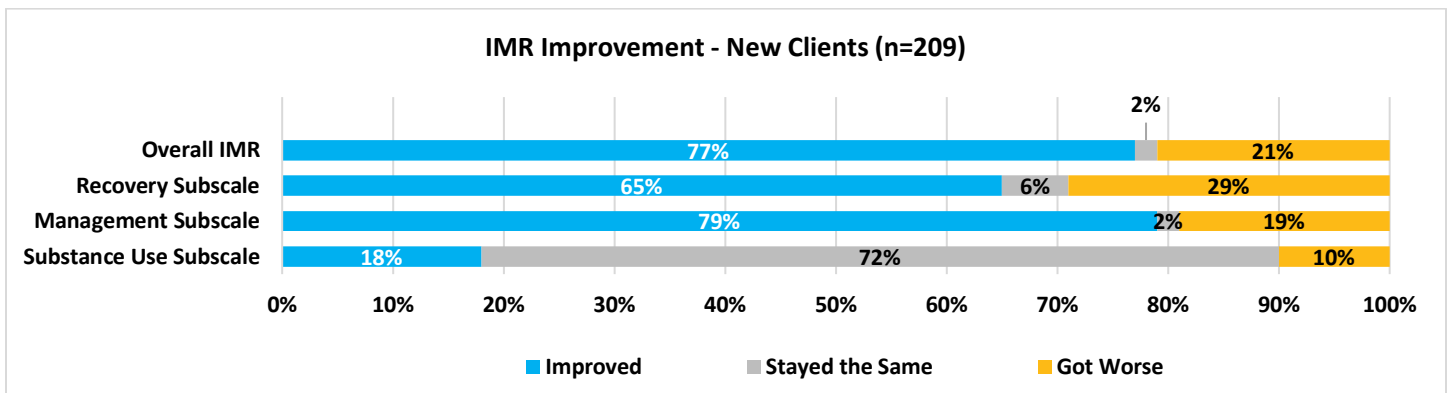
“New” clients are those individuals with 1) an IMR assessment during FY 2022-23 (Most Recent Assessment), 2) a corresponding IMR assessment four to eight months prior to their most recent assessment (Intake Assessment), and 3) a first service date within 30 days of their first assessment.



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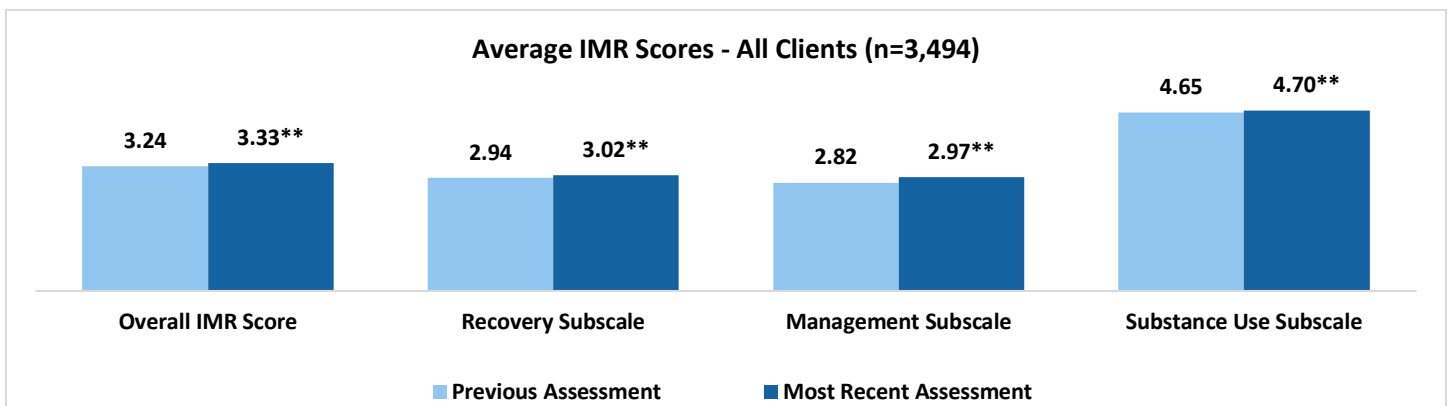
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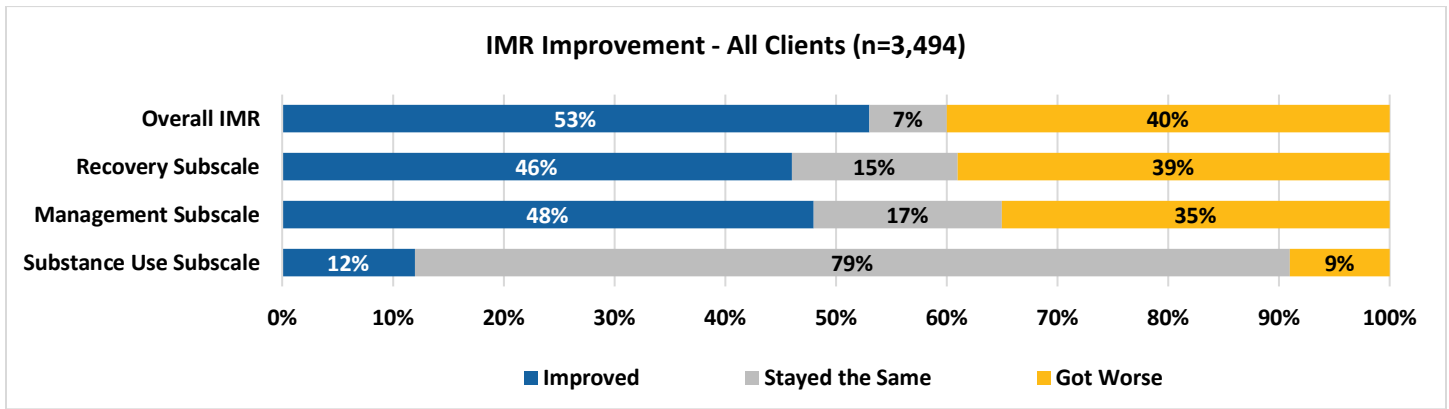
All Clients

“All” clients include every individual served by SDCBHS during FY 2022-23 who had at least one follow-up IMR assessment completed within the fiscal year (Most Recent Assessment) and an IMR assessment completed four to eight months prior (Previous Assessment), regardless of how long they have been receiving services.



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IMR Results for New and All Clients

The charts displayed above and on the previous page present IMR data for clients who had a follow-up assessment completed during FY 2022-23 and an intake or previous assessment completed four to eight months earlier. The method of comparing two assessments completed at different time points (also known as paired assessments) enables reporting on changes in average scores and the percentage of clients with an improvement in scores from their previous assessment. Since trends and changes in outcomes may differ for New clients and clients who are already engaged in services, results for New clients are presented separately first, followed by the results for All clients.

New Clients

- More than three-quarters (**77%**) of New clients had an **improved Overall IMR score** at the most recent assessment, compared to intake.
- Nearly two-thirds of New clients had an **improved IMR Recovery subscale score (65%)** at the most recent assessment, compared to intake.
- New clients had **significantly better Overall IMR scores**, as well as **IMR Recovery, IMR Management, and IMR Substance Use subscale scores** at the most recent assessment, compared to intake.
- Of the 14 New clients who identified as experiencing impairments to functioning due to substance use, as indicated by an IMR Substance Use subscale score of 1 or 2 on their Intake assessment, 12 of them (**86%**) **showed improvements in substance use recovery** at the time of the most recent assessment.

All Clients

- A little over half (**53%**) of All clients had an **improved Overall IMR score** at the most recent assessment, compared to the previous assessment.
- Nearly half of All clients had an **improved IMR Recovery subscale score (46%)** or an **improved IMR Management subscale score (48%)**.
- All clients had **significantly better Overall IMR scores**, as well as **IMR Recovery, IMR Management, and IMR Substance Use subscale scores** at the most recent assessment, compared to the previous assessment.
- Of the 144 All clients who identified as experiencing impairments to functioning due to substance use at the previous assessment, 117 of them (**81%**) **showed improvements in substance use recovery** at the time of their most recent assessment and 16 (**11%**) **maintained their level of impairment** from the previous to most recent assessment.

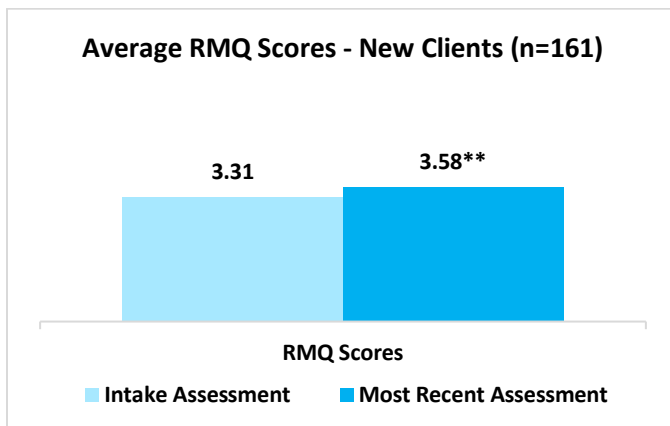
- **New clients had lower Overall IMR, IMR Recovery, IMR Management, and IMR Substance Use subscale scores at intake**, compared to All clients' previous assessment. This trend is expected, as clients new to services may be in crisis or experiencing greater symptom distress than clients who have been receiving services for several months or years.
- IMR Substance Use subscale scores did not change for the majority of New (**72%**) or All (**79%**) clients with paired assessments; however, average IMR Substance Use subscale scores were relatively high, indicating **that few clients were impacted by alcohol or drug use**.

Recovery Markers Questionnaire (RMQ)

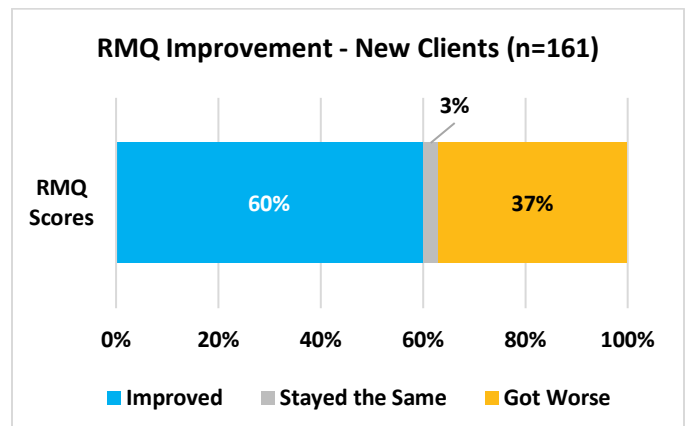
The RMQ is a self-report measure of the client's own state, and his or her preferences, needs, desires, and perceptions of their recovery. This assessment is also typically completed at intake with reassessment every six months. The RMQ includes 24 Likert Scale items, with a 5-point agreement response scale ranging from "strongly agree" to "strongly disagree," regarding the recovery process and intermediate outcomes. The total mean score can be calculated to measure performance. Higher scores on the RMQ assessment indicate perceptions of higher levels of recovery.

New and All Clients

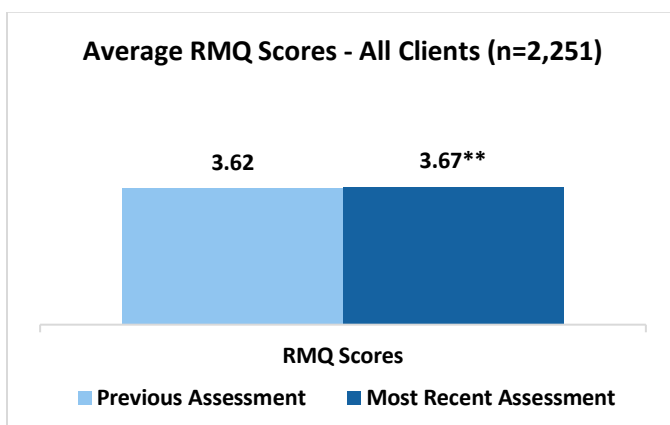
Like the IMR analysis, "New" are those individuals with 1) an RMQ assessment during FY 2022-23 (Most Recent Assessment), 2) a corresponding RMQ assessment four to eight months prior to their most recent assessment (Intake Assessment), and 3) a first service date within 30 days of their first assessment. "All" clients include every individual served by SDCBHS during FY 2022-23 who had at least one follow-up RMQ assessment completed within the fiscal year (Most Recent Assessment) and an RMQ assessment completed four to eight months prior (Previous Assessment), regardless of how long they have been receiving services.



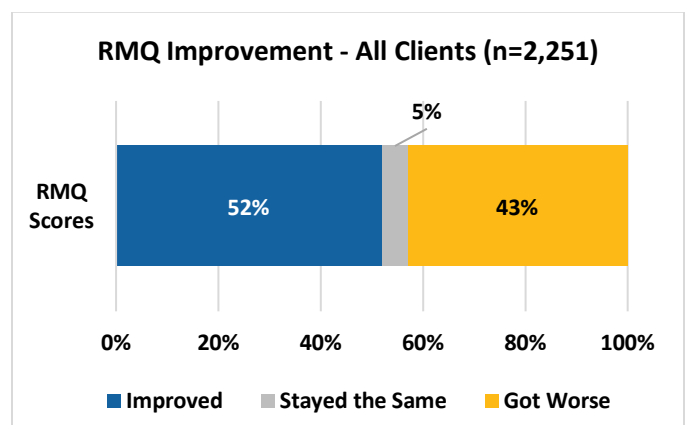
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RMQ Results for New and Existing Clients

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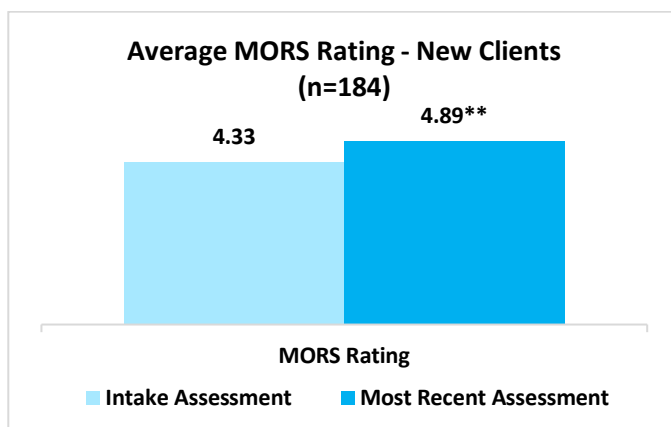
- **New clients had lower RMQ scores at intake compared to All clients' previous assessment.** This trend is expected, as clients who have been receiving services for several months or years would have more opportunities to make progress towards their recovery than clients new to services.
- **Three-fifths (60%) of New clients had improvements in RMQ scores** at the most recent assessment, compared to intake.
- More than half of **All clients (52%) reported that their recovery improved** at the most recent assessment, compared to their previous assessment.
- There was a **statistically significant change in RMQ scores for New and All clients** between the previous/intake assessment and the most recent assessment suggesting that, on average, **clients perceived that they made progress towards recovery.**

Milestones of Recovery Scale (MORS)

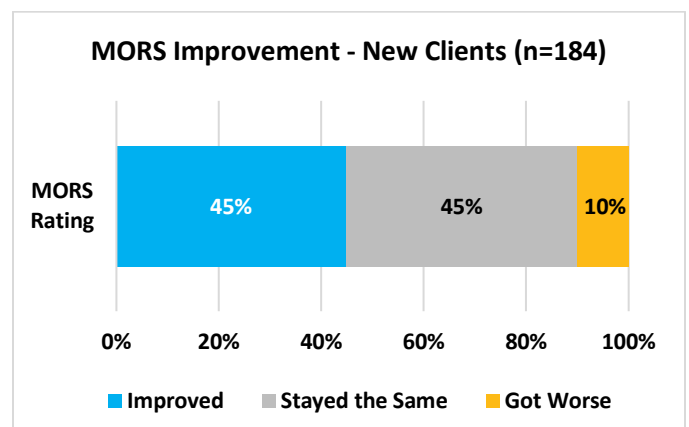
The Milestones of Recovery Scale (MORS) is an assessment of the clinicians' perceptions of their clients' current milestone of recovery and is typically conducted at intake with reassessment every six months. MORS ratings range from 1 to 8, with higher ratings indicating greater progress towards recovery.

New and All Clients

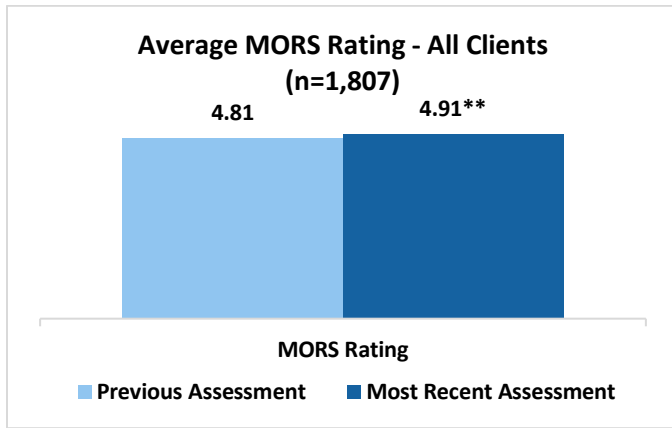
Like the IMR and RMQ analyses, "New" clients are those individuals with 1) a MORS assessment during FY 2022-23 (Most Recent Assessment), 2) a corresponding MORS assessment four to eight months prior to their most recent assessment (Intake Assessment), and 3) a first service date within 30 days of their first assessment. "All" clients include every individual served by SDCBHS during FY 2022-23 who had at least one follow-up MORS assessment completed within the fiscal year (Most Recent Assessment) and a MORS assessment completed four to eight months prior (Previous Assessment), regardless of how long they have been receiving services.



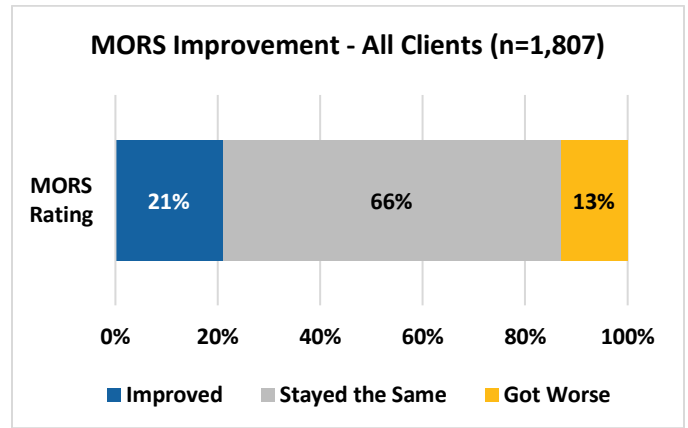
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MORS Ratings for New and All Clients at Intake and Most Recent Assessments

	New Clients (n=184)			All Clients (n=1,807)		
	Intake	Most Recent	Change	Previous	Most Recent	Change
	n (%)	n (%)		n (%)	n (%)	
1. Extreme Risk	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	▶	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	▶
2. High Risk/Not Engaged	8 (4%)	<5 (1%)	▼	23 (1%)	19 (1%)	▼
3. High Risk/Engaged	18 (10%)	5 (3%)	▼	92 (5%)	57 (3%)	▼
4. Poorly Coping/Not Engaged	65 (35%)	22 (12%)	▼	247 (14%)	172 (10%)	▼
5. Poorly Coping/Engaged	91 (50%)	137 (75%)	▲	1,306 (72%)	1,375 (76%)	▲
6. Coping/Rehabilitating	<5 (1%)	18 (10%)	▲	131 (7%)	183 (10%)	▲
7. Early Recovery	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	▶	7 (<1%)	<5 (<1%)	▼
8. Advanced Recovery	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	▶	<5 (<1%)	0 (0%)	▼

Legend:

- ▼ a decrease in the number of clients with a MORS rating at this level
- ▶ no change in the number of clients with a MORS rating at this level
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MORS Results for New and All Clients

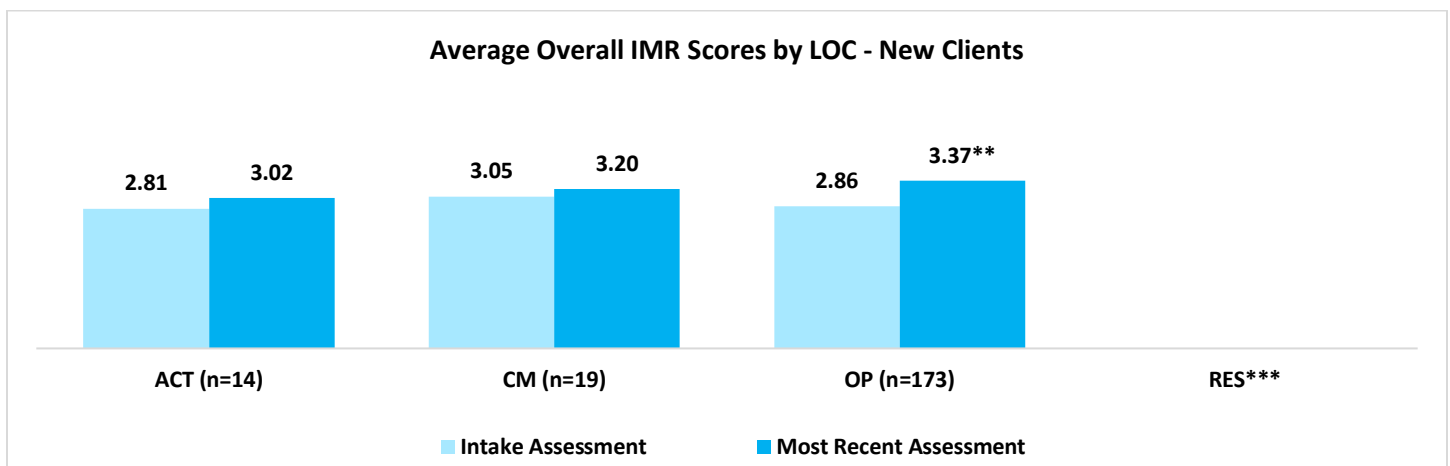
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- **New clients had lower MORS ratings at intake compared to All clients' previous assessment.** This trend is expected, as clients who have been receiving services for several months or years would have more opportunities to make progress towards their recovery than clients new to services.

- **MORS ratings improved** for almost half (**45%**) of **New clients** between the intake and most recent assessment and **remained consistent** for almost half (**45%**) of new clients. Only 19 New clients (**10%**) had a worse MORS rating at the most recent assessment, compared to intake.
- **MORS ratings remained consistent** for the majority (**66%**) of **All clients** from the previous assessment to most recent assessment. More than one-fifth (**21%**) of All clients had a higher MORS rating at the most recent assessment compared to the previous assessment and **13%** had a worse rating at the most recent assessment.
- Most **New clients** were rated by clinicians as **poorly coping/engaged (50%)** or **poorly coping/not engaged (35%)** at **intake**.
- At the **most recent assessment, 75% of New clients were rated as poorly coping/engaged** by clinicians and 18 clients (**10%**) had a MORS rating of a 6 or higher.
- Almost three-quarters (**72%**) of **All clients** were rated by clinicians as **poorly coping/engaged** at the **previous assessment** and a similar proportion (**76%**) had this MORS rating at the **most recent assessment**.
- The **changes in MORS ratings** from the previous assessment to the current follow-up assessment were **statistically significant** for New and All clients.

Recovery Outcomes by Level of Care

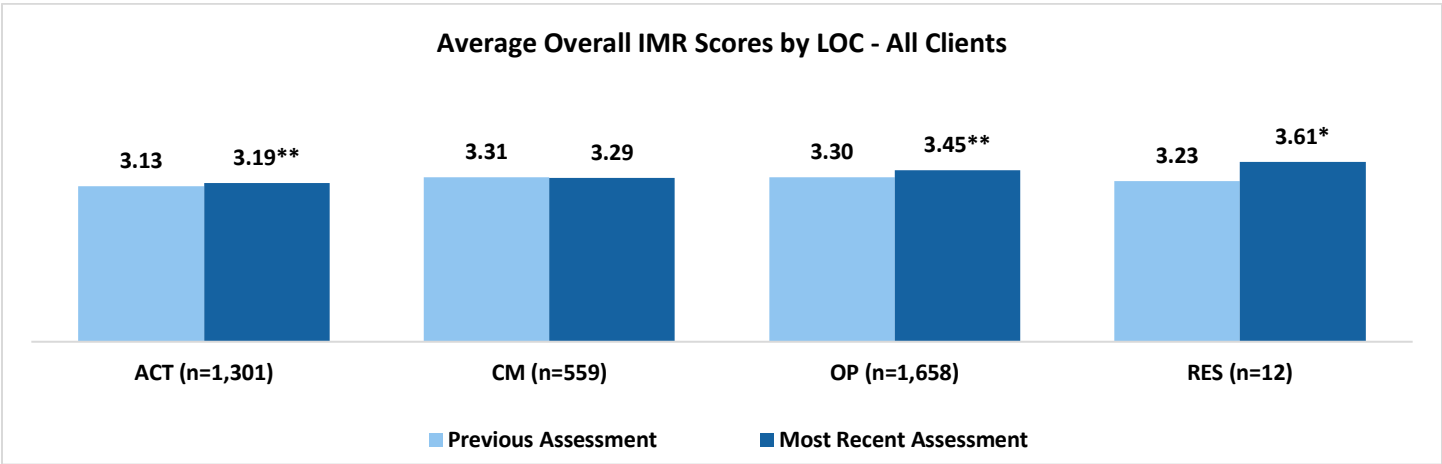
The data presented in the next section highlight differences in progress towards recovery by LOC: Assertive Community Treatment (ACT), Case Management (CM), Outpatient (OP), and TAY Residential program (RES). Like the previous section, “New” clients are those individuals who 1) had an IMR, RMQ, or MORS assessment during FY 2022-23 (Most Recent Assessment), 2) had a corresponding IMR, RMQ, or MORS intake assessment (Intake) four to eight months prior to their most recent assessment, and 3) had a first service date within 30 days of their first assessment. “All” clients include every individual served by SDCBHS during FY 2022-23 who had at least one follow-up assessment completed during the fiscal year (Most Recent Assessment) and a corresponding assessment completed four to eight months prior (Previous Assessment), regardless of how long they have been receiving services.



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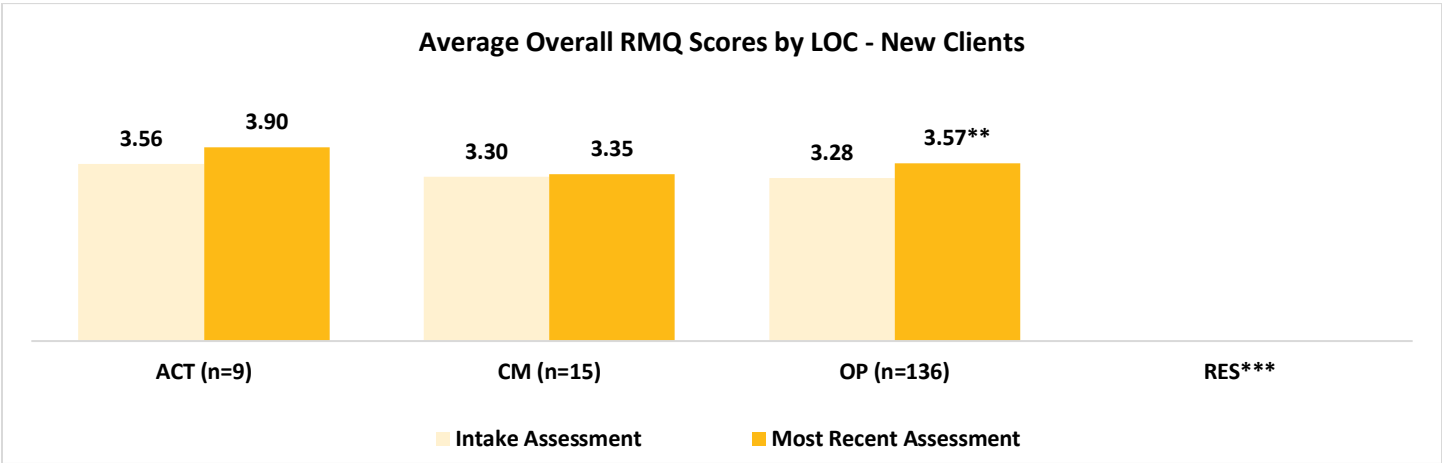
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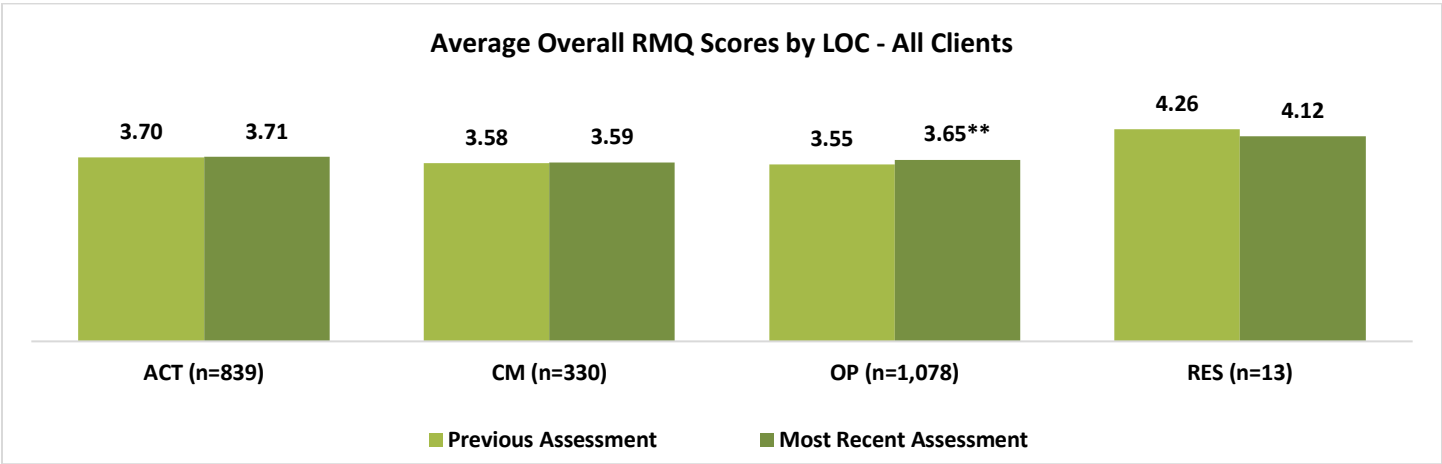
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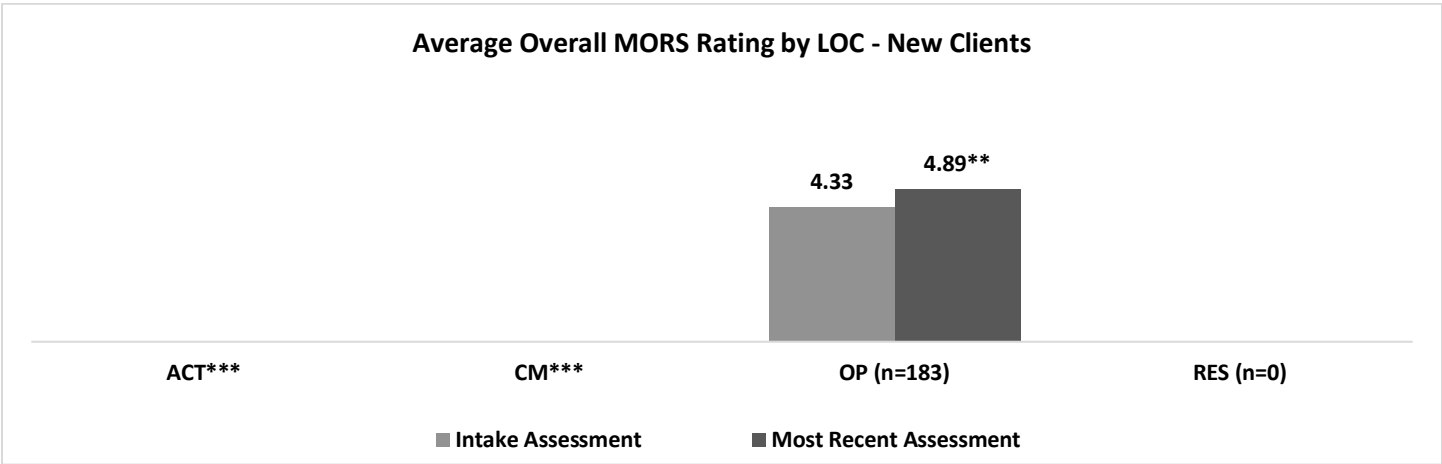
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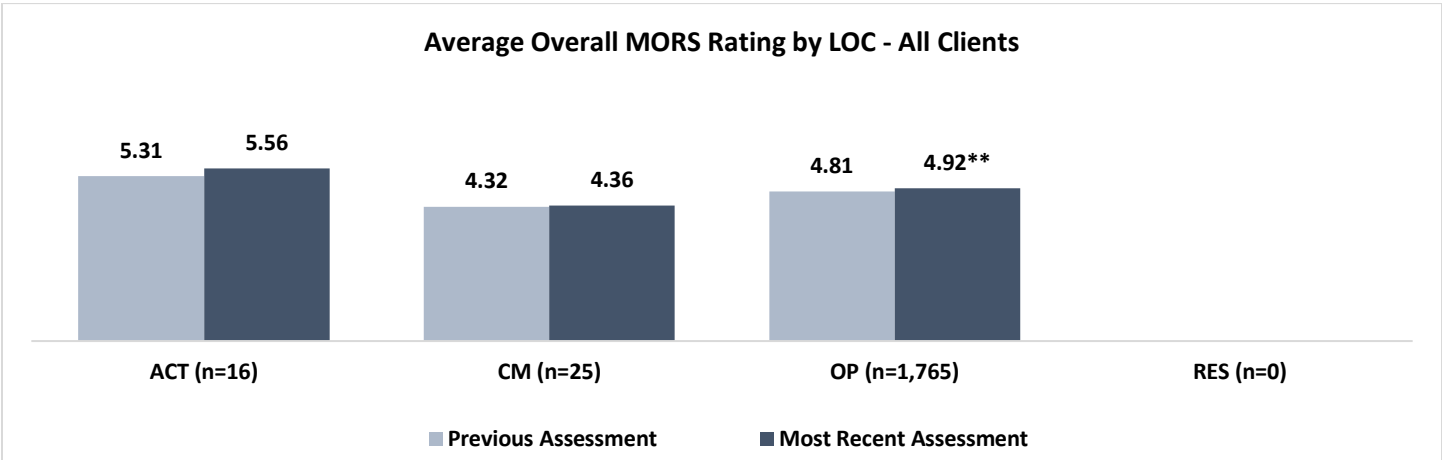
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Results by LOC for New and All Clients

- During FY 2022-23, there was a **statistically significant increase in Overall IMR scores, Overall RMQ scores, and MORS rating** for both New and All clients who received services from Outpatient programs. These findings suggest that, for Outpatient programs, **clients showed progress towards recovery** during FY 2022-23.
- More clients in ACT, CM, and OP programs had a pair of IMR assessments than RMQ assessments** during FY 2022-23. This is unsurprising, as self-report measures completed by clients are encouraged, but are not a mandatory part of care.
- Across most LOCs, **New clients had lower average IMR and RMQ scores and experienced a greater change in scores** during the fiscal year, compared to All clients. This trend is expected, as clients new to services may be in crisis or experiencing greater symptom distress than All clients who have been receiving services for several months or years.

IMR Scores by IMR Item – Means for Previous and Most Recent Assessments

Each of the 15 individual items comprising the IMR addresses a different aspect of illness management and recovery. IMR scores range from 1 to 5, with 5 representing the highest level of recovery. IMR scores for New clients increased significantly on most items and all three subscales. For All clients, Overall IMR scores, IMR Recovery subscale scores, IMR Management subscales, and a majority of the IMR items showed a statistically significant increase. There was not a significant change in IMR Substance subscale scores for New clients.

Item	Illness Management and Recovery Scale (IMR)	New Clients				All Clients			
		N	Intake	Most Recent	△	N	Prev.	Most Recent	△
1	Progress towards personal goals	192	2.70	3.03	↑	3,603	2.92	2.96	↑
2	Knowledge	209	2.56	2.97	↑	3,804	2.97	3.03	↑
3	Involvement of family and friends in my treatment	200	3.27	3.30	↑	3,601	3.10	3.12	↑
4	Contact with people outside of my family	194	3.04	3.14	↑	3,601	2.85	2.96	↑
5	Time in structured roles	191	2.26	2.63	↑	3,548	1.90	1.98	↑
6	Freedom from symptom distress	209	1.89	2.56	↑	3,791	2.48	2.60	↑
7	Ability to function	209	1.92	2.57	↑	3,799	2.43	2.58	↑
8	Relapse prevention planning	168	2.45	3.13	↑	3,297	3.17	3.31	↑
9	Freedom from relapse symptoms	190	2.39	3.46	↑	3,457	3.48	3.67	↑
10	Avoidance of psychiatric hospitalization	199	3.66	4.37	↑	3,641	4.35	4.50	↑
11	Coping	209	2.34	2.92	↑	3,770	2.89	3.00	↑
12	Involvement with self-help activities	175	2.53	2.95	↑	3,388	2.76	2.81	↑
13	Using medication effectively	149	4.19	4.34	↑	3,377	4.40	4.42	↑
14	Alcohol use does not impair functioning	184	4.34	4.57	↑	3,422	4.50	4.57	↑
15	Drug use does not impair functioning	185	3.99	4.41	↑	3,448	4.31	4.37	↑
	Overall Mean IMR Score	209	2.88	3.33	↑	3,819	3.22	3.31	↑
Subscales	Recovery subscale (average of items 1, 2, 4, 8, & 12)	199	2.64	3.04	↑	3,708	2.93	3.01	↑
	Management subscale (average of items 6, 7, 9, & 11)	209	2.13	2.86	↑	3,807	2.81	2.95	↑
	Substance use subscale (minimum of items 14 & 15)	187	4.48	4.68	↑	3,492	4.63	4.69	↑

Note: Arrows indicate the direction of change between assessments. Dark/colored arrows indicate a statistically significant change ($p < .05$). Light/grey arrows indicate change that is not statistically significant.

RMQ Scores by RMQ Item – Means for Previous and Most Recent Assessments

Each of the 24 individual items comprising the RMQ measure the clients’ preferences, needs and desires, and perceptions of their recovery. RMQ scores range from 1 to 5, with 5 representing strong agreement with each statement. RMQ scores for New and All clients increased on most items. Many of these increases were statistically significant, suggesting that clients perceived an improvement in their recovery during FY 2022-23. For both New and All clients, RMQ scores overall showed a statistically significant increase.

Item	Recovery Marker Questionnaire (RMQ)	New Clients				All Clients			
		N	Intake	Most Recent	△	N	Prev.	Most Recent	△
1	Safe living situation that feels like home	158	3.84	3.92	↑	2,434	3.91	3.95	↑
2	Trusted people available to help	160	3.91	4.19	↑	2,435	4.01	4.09	↑
3	At least one close mutual relationship	156	3.94	4.04	↑	2,423	3.91	3.97	↑
4	Involvement in meaningful productive activities	157	3.15	3.54	↑	2,418	3.54	3.61	↑
5	Psychiatric symptoms under control	154	2.81	3.34	↑	2,409	3.54	3.66	↑
6	Enough income to meet needs	154	2.44	2.77	↑	2,401	2.98	3.08	↑
7	See self working within six months	154	2.77	2.79	↑	2,394	2.64	2.60	↓
8	Learning new things	154	3.46	3.69	↑	2,405	3.66	3.71	↑
9	Good physical health	158	2.94	3.30	↑	2,413	3.28	3.35	↑
10	Positive spiritual/life connection	160	3.49	3.61	↑	2,412	3.77	3.79	↑
11	Respect for self	156	3.53	3.78	↑	2,412	3.85	3.89	↑
12	Using personal strengths skills or talents	161	3.30	3.54	↑	2,429	3.65	3.71	↑
13	Working towards goals	159	3.69	3.88	↑	2,430	3.87	3.89	↑
14	Have reasons to get out of bed	156	3.56	3.76	↑	2,412	3.88	3.91	↑
15	More good days than bad	156	3.04	3.45	↑	2,416	3.57	3.65	↑
16	Decent quality of life	158	3.23	3.56	↑	2,406	3.68	3.75	↑
17	Control of important decisions	156	3.42	3.68	↑	2,406	3.74	3.80	↑
18	Contribute to community	153	3.01	3.25	↑	2,392	3.30	3.37	↑
19	Growing as a person	152	3.70	3.82	↑	2,393	3.82	3.90	↑
20	Sense of belonging	154	3.06	3.57	↑	2,409	3.60	3.69	↑
21	Feel alert and alive	151	3.19	3.59	↑	2,395	3.70	3.78	↑
22	Hopeful about future	157	3.23	3.65	↑	2,407	3.73	3.81	↑
23	Able to deal with stress	156	2.88	3.25	↑	2,404	3.41	3.50	↑
24	Can make positive changes in my life	157	3.73	3.89	↑	2,407	3.92	3.93	↑
	Total Mean RMQ Score	161	3.31	3.58	↑	2,450	3.62	3.68	↑

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