

Behavioral Health is Essential To Health



Prevention Works



Treatment is Effective



People Recover



NATIONAL EVALUATION OF SAMHSA'S CMHI SECTOR AND COMPARISON STUDY

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CMHI Sector and Comparison Study

- ❖ Assessing specific outcomes of children and families involved in a specific sector
 - Juvenile Justice, Child Welfare, Education sectors
- ❖ Comparing outcomes of
 - children and families receiving services in CMHI-funded system of care communities
 - a similar group of children and families receiving services in non-funded communities

CMHI Child Welfare Sector Study

- ❖ Sector study - additional focus on children / youth involved in child welfare
 - In part, to increase collaboration between CMHS and ACF
- ❖ Comparison study – sample of children involved in child welfare being served in systems of care and sample of children involved with comparison child welfare agencies

Design of CMHI Child Welfare Sector Comparison Study

- ❖ Two CMHI-funded communities funded in FY 2008, serving young children (birth to 6) + two child welfare agencies in communities near funded communities
- ❖ Samples include only children ages 2 through 5
- ❖ CMHI longitudinal interviews plus child welfare case record reviews

Benefits of CMHI Child Welfare Sector Comparison Study

- ❖ Benefits to comparison agencies
 - data for leveraging improved mental health early intervention services
 - collaboration with CMHI community in same State
- ❖ Benefits to CMHS and ACF
 - Data supporting effectiveness of CMHI funding for early intervention services