

# DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

## HB 589: OUTCOMES SUMMARY 2018

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## OVERVIEW

### 1. HB 589 Background and Description

Generally speaking, children do better when they are living at home, graduating from high school, and have no involvement with the juvenile justice system. These determinants are strong indicators for a successful transition into adulthood that includes healthy relationships, work and educational opportunities, and less risk for substance use, suicide, or other detrimental behaviors.

Passed in the 2017 Legislature, HB 589 requires the Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS) to monitor the status of youth receiving state funded Targeted Case Management (TCM) services for mental health reasons each fiscal year to determine whether, while receiving services, the children remain at home, in school, and out of trouble.

### 2. Project Process

The Children's Mental Health Bureau (CMHB) collaborated with case management providers to: define survey questions, create the template, and establish a timeline for completion of the data collection. Beginning January 2018, some TCM providers stopped providing case management and did not submit data. CMHB received data on 1,336 youth receiving TCM from 7 out of 15 mental health centers. 6 mental health centers stated they stopped providing TCM which was validated by claims data and one provider did not respond to the state's request.

### 3. High-Level Findings

- 69% reported the youth did live in the home in the past 12 months.
- 12% reported the youth returned from an out of home placement.
- 20% reported the youth went to an out of home placement while receiving case management.
- 8% reported the youth returned from foster placement.
- 20% reported the youth went to a foster placement while receiving case management.
- 1.4% reported the youth was placed in a correctional setting.
- 1.4% reported the youth returned from correctional setting.
- 1.5% reported the youth dropped out and returned to school.
- 2.5% reported the youth dropped out of school.
- 1 youth completed suicide.
- 2.4% reported the youth had attempted suicide.
- 3.4% reported the youth had substance abuse treatment.
- 6% reported, "Yes," the youth had youth court involvement.

#### **4. Next Steps**

Passed in the 2019 Legislature, HB 583 revises the requirements for measuring outcomes in the Children's Mental Health system. The updates included in HB 583, were designed to reduce the burden on Children's Mental Health targeted case management providers, provide consistency on point in time parameters throughout the measures, and add a measurement of youth receiving substance use screening. These updates, as well as operational changes on how the Children's Mental Health Bureau collects the data regarding services received, will reduce the number of survey questions from over 30 to just over 10.

Additionally, HB 583 increased the frequency of the monitoring, from annually to each September and March. The Children's Mental Health Bureau has begun planning for the September 2019 survey.