FRESNO COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH PLAN

PROGRAM INFORMATION:

Program Title: Exodus Adult Crisis Stabilization Center

Program Description: Exodus Recovery operates an LPS designated

Crisis Stabilization Center (CSC) providing psychiatric stabilization services to adults 18 years of age and older who would otherwise be taken to or access care in an emergency room. Individuals who experience a mental health crisis or are in imminent danger of presenting a risk to themselves, others or becoming gravely disabled are able to immediately access care 24/7, 365 days per year at the Exodus CSC.

Age Group Served 1: ADULT

Age Group Served 2: Choose an item.
Funding Source 1: Medical FFP

Funding Source 2: Realignment

Provider: Exodus Recovery, Inc.

MHP Work Plan: 4-Behavioral health clinical care

Choose an item. Choose an item.

Dates Of Operation: May 4, 2012 to Present

Reporting Period: July 1, 2022 - June 30, 2023

Funding Source 3: Choose an item.

Program Actual Amount: \$9,622,049

Other Funding: Click here to enter text.

FISCAL INFORMATION:

Program Budget Amount: \$14,483,161

Number of Unique Clients Served During Time Period: 2,576

Number of Days of Services Rendered During Time Period: 9,382

Number of Admissions During Time Period: 4,605

Actual Cost Per Client: \$3,735

CONTRACT INFORMATION:

Program Type: Contract-Operated

Contract Term: 07/01/2016 – 06/30/2022 plus two optional

one-year extensions

Type of Program: Crisis Stabilization

For Other: Click here to enter text.

Renewal Date: June 30, 2023

Level of Care Information Age 18 & Over: Choose an item.

Level of Care Information Age 0-17: Choose an item.

The levels of care shown above do not apply. This program provides crisis stabilization services to individuals at the Adult Crisis Stabilization Center.

TARGET POPULATION INFORMATION:

Target Population:

Adults 18 years of age and older who would otherwise be taken to or access care in an emergency room. Individuals who experience a mental health crisis or are in imminent danger of presenting a risk to themselves, others or becoming gravely disabled are able to immediately access care 24/7, 365 days per year at the Exodus CSC.

CORE CONCEPTS:

- Community collaboration: individuals, families, agencies, and businesses work together to accomplish a shared vision.
- Cultural competence: adopting behaviors, attitudes and policies that enable providers to work effectively in cross-cultural situations.
- Individual/Family-Driven, Wellness/Recovery/Resiliency-Focused Services: adult clients and families of children and youth identify needs and preferences that result in the most effective services and supports.
- Access to underserved communities: Historically unserved and underserved communities are those groups that either have documented low levels of access and/or use of mental health services, face barriers to participation in the policy making process in public mental health, have low rates of insurance coverage for mental health care, and/or have been identified as priorities for mental health services.
- •Integrated service experiences: services for clients and families are seamless. Clients and families do not have to negotiate with multiple agencies and funding sources to meet their needs.

Please select core concepts embedded in services/ program:

(May select more than one)

Individual/Family-Driven, Wellness/Recovery/Resiliency-Focused Services

Community collaboration

Integrated service experiences

Choose an item.

Please describe how the selected concept (s) embedded:

We have provided a welcoming environment where a person in crisis or with urgent mental health needs will immediately be seen and evaluated by a professional and receive the services he/she needs. Treatment has been client-centered by incorporating the client's input in determining the services and supports that are most effective and helpful for our clients. We have provided ongoing services until the client is successfully connected to community services. A key component of our treatment services is the development of a comprehensive discharge plan designed to transition the client to a less restrictive but supportive level of care, reestablish linkage to their previous service provider, and link clients and their families to a system of relevant community resources. These have included outpatient treatment, crisis residential beds, shelter beds, board and cares, sober living houses, and other programs.

PROGRAM OUTCOME & GOALS

- Must include each of these areas/domains: (1) Effectiveness, (2) Efficiency, (3) Access, (4) Satisfaction & Feedback of Persons Served & Stakeholder
- Include the following components for documenting each goal: (1) Indicator, (2) Who Applied, (3) Time of Measure, (4) Data Source, (5) Target Goal Expectancy Exodus has designed a continuous quality assurance and quality improvement (QI) process with strategies to measure variations in the structure, method and program outcomes for the Exodus CSC. In addition, Exodus' Decision Support Department provides analytical support to the Exodus CSC by collecting, analyzing and reporting outcomes data from conceptualization through presentation to all stakeholders. The work of the Decision Support Department drives and supports key business decisions that yield positive outcomes at the Exodus CSC. Altogether, our Quality Management Program and Plan are dedicated to meeting the needs and to exceed the expectations of our clients, their families and the community.

With the assistance of Decision Support, Quality Improvement Department and program management, Exodus collects, manages and submits data for internal tracking purposes as well as to demonstrate client outcomes and performance-based criteria inclusive of guidelines set forth by Exodus, Fresno County and the State. An internal Access based computerized tracking system ("the Admission Log") is used to collect and maintain client related admission /discharge data and client demographic information.

Outcome: Effectiveness of Discharge Planning as demonstrated by the referral and linkage to other Department of Behavioral Health programs, community providers and other community resources.

Domain: ACCESS

Indicator: Referrals and Linkages

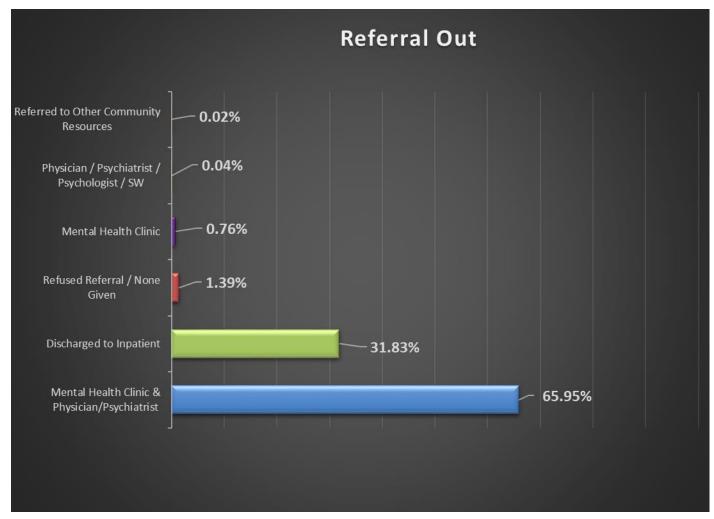
Who Applied: Non-hospitalized individuals

<u>Time of Measure:</u> FY 22-23 <u>Data Source:</u> Admissions Log

Target Goal Expectancy: 100% of non-hospitalized persons served will be referred and linked

Exodus currently provides a plan to each client upon discharge that effectively connects our clients to the broad array of services that Fresno County offers. This has resulted in better integration of behavioral care for our clients across other systems, including physical health and other service services that positively impact the overall health and wellness of our clients. Regardless of a client admission status to the Exodus CSC, the Admission Log collects information and other **indicators** about what Department of Behavioral Health program, community provider or other community resources refer clients to the Exodus CSC (Referral In). In addition, the Admission Log collects information about a client's subsequent referral out/disposition and discharge to Department of Behavioral Health programs, community providers or other community resources. Our **goal** is to refer and link 100% of our non-hospitalized clients (3,139 clients). An **analysis** report is generated on a monthly basis for Exodus management to identify gaps in client care, services and problems with linkage care coordination. Currently, 68.16% of all clients are discharged to non-hospital settings. 98% of those clients are referred to Department of Behavioral Health programs, community providers or other community resources.

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Referral Out	# of Clients
Mental Health Clinic & Physician / Psychiatrist	3,037
Discharged to Inpatient	1,466
Refused Referral / None Given	64
Mental Health Clinic	35
Physician / Psychiatrist / Psychologist / SW	2
Referred to Other Community Resources	1
Grand Total	4,605

NOTES:

- Data extracted from Exodus' Fresno CSC Admissions Log
- Includes Admissions from July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023
- Includes adults 18 years of age and older

Outcome: Collaborative approach and treatment strategies to reduce readmission of clients with frequent readmissions to the facility.

Domain: EFFECTIVENESS

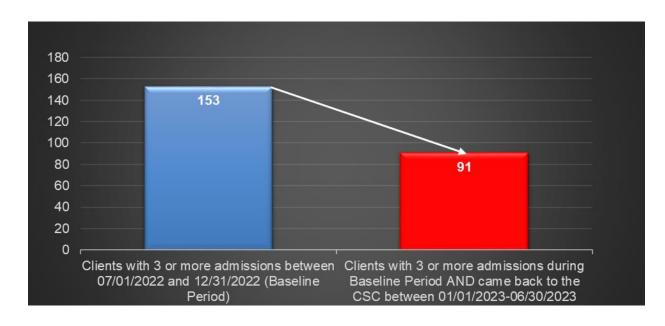
Indicator: Recidivism/Readmissions

Who Applied: Persons with 3 or more admissions

Time of Measure: FY 22-23 Data Source: Admissions Log

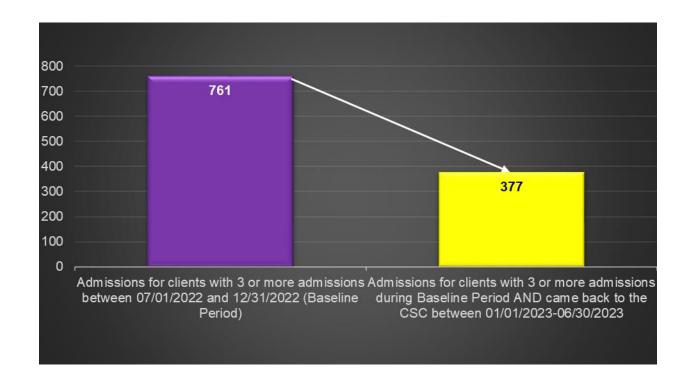
Target Goal Expectancy: Reduce rates by 10% from previous six-month period

Exodus currently uses recidivism and readmission rates as **indicators** to measure the effectiveness of our collaborative approach and treatment strategies that keep clients from returning to the CSC. At any point in time, the Admission Log has the ability to **analyze** recidivism rates for clients who have had 3 or more admissions to the CSC during the previous 30 days, 3 or 6-month period. The Admission Log tracks these clients over subsequent months in order to measure a decrease or increase in readmissions for those clients. Also, the Admission Log has the ability to report monthly readmission rates (i.e., x percent of the admissions for a specific month were for repeat clients). Readmission/recidivism rates are reviewed by QI, Decision Support, program director, and discussed with Exodus staff as well as community partners in an effort to reduce readmissions. We substantially exceeded our goal both in number of clients and number of admissions attributed to those clients.



***40.5% reduction in recidivism during FY 22-23 VS 35.4% during FY 21-22

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***50.5% reduction in readmissions during FY 22-23 VS 48.8% during FY 21-22

Outcome: Denial rate reduction of 5% for Crisis Stabilization billing that does not meet Medi-Cal medical necessity criteria as determined by the utilization review performed by the Fresno County Mental Health Plan.

Domain: EFFICIENCY

Indicator: Denial Rate for Non-Medical Necessity Crisis Stabilization Who Applied: Persons Served who did not meet medical necessity

Time of Measure: FY 22-23

Data Source: DBH Managed Care Utilization Review

Target Goal Expectancy: 5% reduction

Exodus calculates its denial rate by dividing the number of denied claims by the total number of claims processed post a Utilization Review (UR) from Fresno County MHP. Such **analysis** is generated based on the frequency of a UR being performed by Fresno County Mental Health Plan. Avatar Report does not reflect any denied services (service code 90D).

Outcome: Satisfaction & Feedback of Persons Served & Stakeholder

Domain: SATISFACTION & FEEDBACK

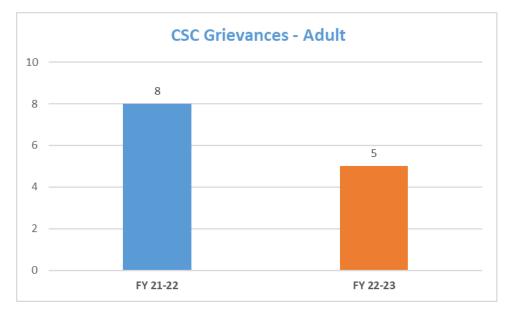
Indicator: Consumer feedback regarding satisfaction, efficiency, and effectiveness

Who Applied: All persons served Time of Measure: FY 22-23

Data Source: County feedback, Internal and County grievances, success stories, and Client Satisfaction Surveys

Target Goal Expectancy:

Exodus works closely with our community partners. Thanks to the collaborative team effort we have been able to link many clients to the appropriate level of care. We also reconnect many clients back to FSPs or other outpatient mental health settings, and encourage re-engagement with services. Outcomes of complaints and concerns from clients, providers and stakeholders are reviewed at the County monthly meetings to include any actions taken to resolve issues. During this fiscal year the management team, staff and clients worked on implementing same day problem resolution. The staff ensured that client concerns were resolved with the charge nurse or management. If they felt their concern was not addressed, they could involve the Program Director in person or through an internal client complaint line. This complaint line was a 4-digit number 8630 or (559) 512-8630 that could be easily dialed from the client phones. The clients stated they were satisfied with the new process and clients were given an additional outlet to provide feedback. We believed this new process was a big contributor in decreasing our number of grievances by 37.5%.



*** 37.5% reduction in number of grievances during FY 22-23

Outcome: Length of Stay Domain: EFFICIENCY Indicator: Length of Stay

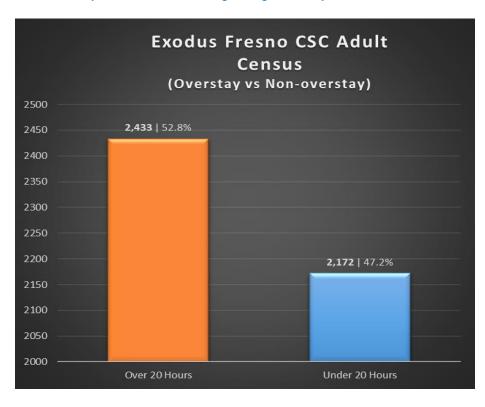
Who Applied: All Adults Clients Served

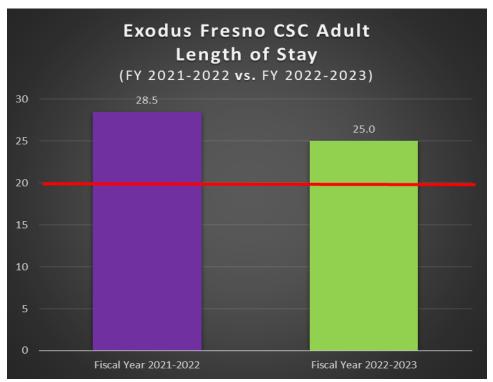
Time of Measure: FY 22-23
Data Source: Admissions Log

Target Goal Expectancy: Less than 20 hours

Exodus currently uses length of stay as an indicator to measure the efficiency of our services. The Admission Log tracks these clients in order to measure the average length of stay for those clients. Additionally, the Admission Log has the ability to report number of clients who overstayed (clients' stay more than 20 hours) and non-overstay (clients' stay less than or equal to 20 hours).

Currently, 52.8% of clients are overstay (2,433 clients) with the average length of stay of 36.4 hours. 47.1% of clients are within the target timeline (2,172 clients) with the average length of stay of 12.2 hours. Even though we haven't achieved the target goal for all clients, Exodus has successfully reduced the average length of stay overall from 28.5 hours in FY 21-22 to 25.0 hours in FY 22-23 (12.3% reduction).





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Outcome: Exodus strives to hire at least 50% of bilingual staff to care for the target population in their preferred languages, which include Fresno County's threshold languages.

Domain: Cultural/Community Defined Practices

Indicator: Languages spoken by staff

Who Applied: Exodus Staff Time of Measure: FY 22-23

Data Source: HR Personnel Records

Exodus works to hire staff that are bilingual to assist the clients in their care. We understand that it can be challenging for our clients to use an interpreter during their crisis or in the peak of their psychosis. Exodus CSC currently has 161 staff members, of which 77 are bilingual. We are proud to have a 47.8% of our staff speak an additional language. Our current CSC has staff that communicate in the following languages:

American Sign
Cambodian
Chinese, Other
Filipino, Tagalog
Hindi
Hmong
Japanese
Other Non-English
Portuguese
Spanish
Thai
Visayan
Yoruba

Satisfaction & Feedback of Persons Served & Stakeholder

Domain: SATISFACTION & FEEDBACK

Indicator: Consumer feedback regarding satisfaction, efficiency, and effectiveness

Who Applied: All Persons Served Time of Measure: FY 22-23

Data Source: County feedback, success stories, and Client Satisfaction Surveys

Target Goal Expectancy: 80% of respondents will have a favorable response to each satisfaction survey question

Exodus has maintained a strong connection in collaborating with every community partner in Fresno County. Thanks to the collaborative team efforts we have been able to link many clients to the appropriate level of care and support needed to help continue their stability in the outpatient setting. A great resource we utilize consistently with success is the utilization of FSP referrals for every client in need of more intensive mental health support in the outpatient setting. We pride ourselves in our ability to reconnect many of our clients to FSP Services, conduct warm hand-offs to encourage re-engagement with services via their case managers and we work collaborate with our community stakeholders to advocate for higher levels of care for our clients when necessary, including the advocacy for temporary conservatorship for some of our clients when necessary.

Outcomes of complaints and concerns from clients, providers and stakeholders are reviewed at the County monthly meetings to include any actions taken to resolve any major issues or concerns.

We pride ourselves on the positive feedback and good reviews given by some of our former clients and family members which is often expressed by their kind words, comments and thank you cards. Exodus is the main facility contacted when a client is considered for conservatorship as we have a very successful rate in conserving a client, and even though very often the client is not excited about the idea, we receive a lot of great feedback from the clients once stabilized and on the right care while under a conservatorship status. We have wonderful relationships and carry great collaboration with the Fresno Police Department CIT Team and the Public Guardian's Office, and have excellent and positive feedback from this team. In a recent networking meeting where Exodus management staff was in attendance, we received great feedback from many of the stakeholders present, and were given praise for the consistency of services we provide to every individual as well as the consistent and solid leadership Exodus continues to hold.

Client Success Story

This fiscal year one of our neighboring county's suffered a devastating loss with the closure of their general hospital and emergency room. During this time, we received one of their residents that had been suffering with mental illness and had fallen through the cracks. He had decompensated and his aggression had increased. The neighboring county does not have a mental health hospital or crisis stabilization team. Fresno County was able to coordinate all of their resources to assist the county and their residents. We received permission to treat their residents and were able to provide crisis services to the individual. During the time at the CSC, he received an evaluation and medication to alleviate his symptoms. The client continued to need stabilization services. The Crisis stabilization Center and the PHF were able to join forces to ensure that the client received the adequate care and would not return home without support. The CSC and PHF collaborated with the client's family, Madera County Public Health, Madera County Conservatorship.

Client Satisfaction Survey Data

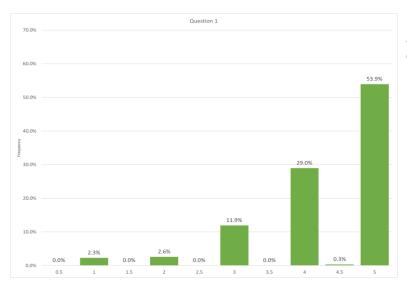
Data was collected by providing discharged CSC persons served the opportunity to complete a "Client Satisfaction Survey." Data collection attempts were conducted throughout the entire fiscal year. Of the surveys returned to staff, 16.2% of clients documented refusal. The remaining surveys were compiled into Excel for analysis.

A rating scale of "Strongly Agree, Agree, Neutral, Disagree, and Strongly Disagree" was used. Data was calculated by assigning "Strongly Agree" a numeric value of 5, "Agree" a numeric value of 4, "Neutral" a numeric value of 3, "Disagree" a numeric value of 2, and "Strongly Disagree" a numeric value of 1. Data was assigned a 0.5 value if two feedback scores were circled. If more than two feedback scores were selected for a question, it was not utilized in calculation. A Descriptive Statistics Analysis was performed, utilizing Excel tools. In the statistical analysis below, the usage of "Favorable" refers to a reported score equivalent to "Strongly Agree", "Agree", or another incremental rating greater than "Neutral".

We met our goal on 15/16 questions by exceeding 80% satisfaction, and the overall survey average score was 84.1% satisfaction. This overall score exceeds our target of 80%/

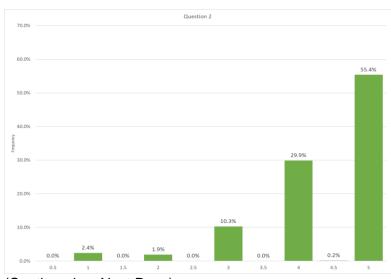
Additional data per question is included below including question content, average scores and percentages per question.

Question 1: I was seen quickly when I arrived



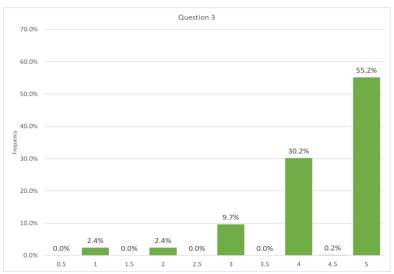
83.3% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.30 with a standard deviation of 0.94.

Question 2: I was greeted by friendly staff when I arrived



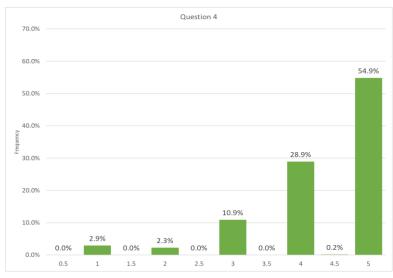
85.4% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.34 with a standard deviation of 0.91.

Question 3: Staff made me feel safe and secure



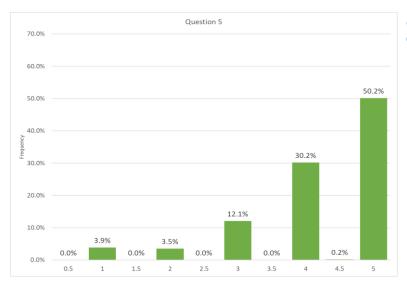
85.5% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.33 with a standard deviation of 0.92.

Question 4: The facility hours are convenient



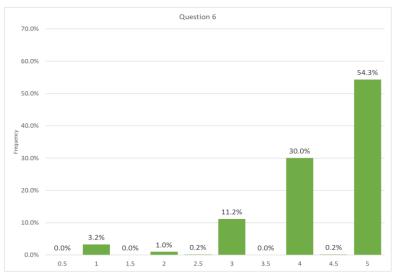
83.9% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.31 with a standard deviation of 0.96.

Question 5: The facility was clean



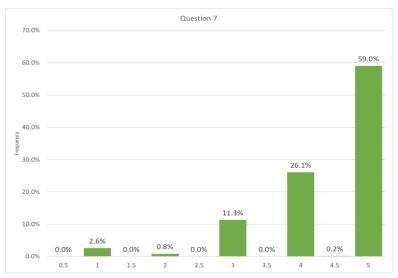
80.5% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.19 with a standard deviation of 1.04.

Question 6: I agreed with my treatment plan



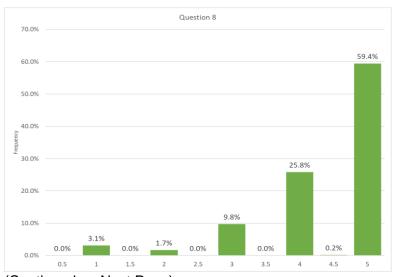
84.4% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.31 with a standard deviation of 0.95.

Question 7: Nurses were helpful



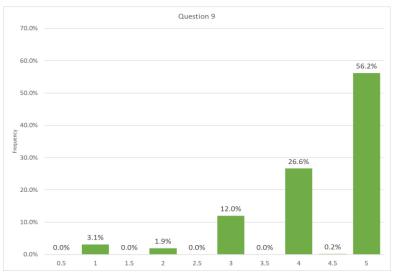
85.3% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.38 with a standard deviation of 0.91.

Question 8: The staff listened to what I was saying



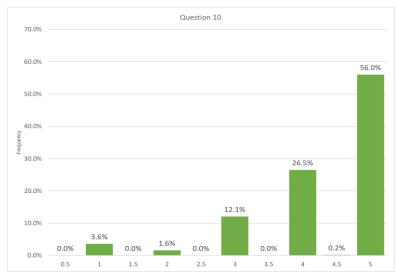
85.4% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.37 with a standard deviation of 0.95.

Question 9: Follow up treatment was explained to me



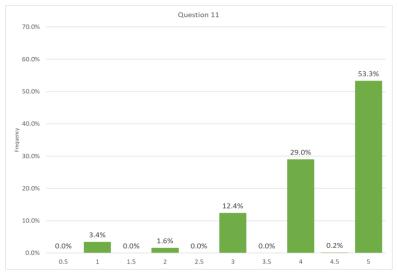
83.0% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.31 with a standard deviation of 0.97.

Question 10: Doctors were friendly



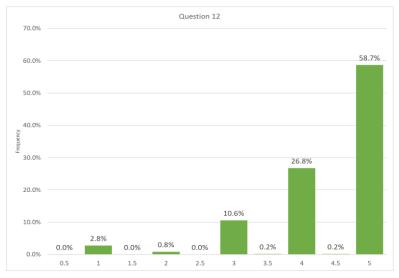
82.7% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.30 with a standard deviation of 0.99.

Question 11: My condition improved from admission to discharge



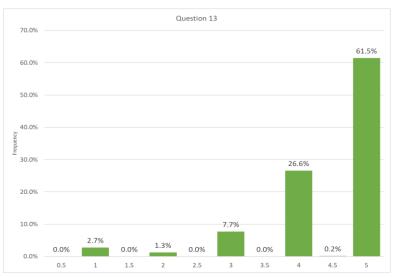
82.5% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.27 with a standard deviation of 0.98.

Question 12: Security staff were friendly



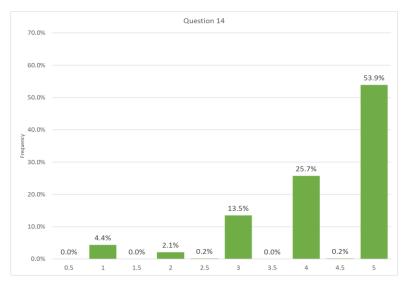
85.8% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.38 with a standard deviation of 0.91.

Question 13: Doctors were friendly



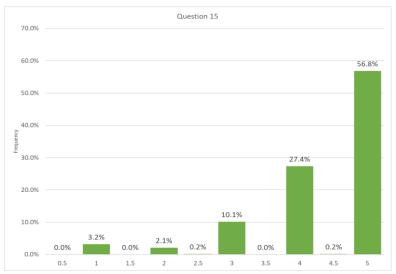
88.2% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.43 with a standard deviation of 0.90.

Question 14: I was provided education about my situation



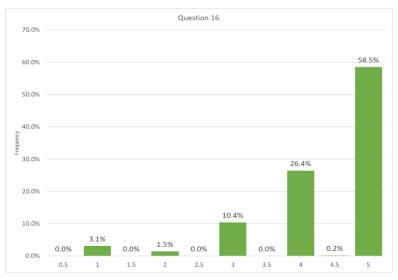
79.8% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.23 with a standard deviation of 1.05.

Question 15: My needs were met while at the facility



84.4% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.33 with a standard deviation of 0.97.

Question 16: Staff provided services promptly



85.1% of respondents reported a favorable response, resulting in an average score of 4.36 with a standard deviation of 0.95.

DEPARTMENT RECOMMENDATION(S):

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