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Call and Episode Volume: In May 2013, 211 received 1,931 calls including 1,332 calls (69%) handled by EMPS providers and 599 calls (31%) handled by 211 (e.g., calls for other information or resources, calls transferred to 911). This month represents a 17.5% increase in call volume compared with May 2012 (n=1,643).

Among the 1,332 episodes of care generated this month, episode volume ranged from 150 episodes (Eastern service area) to 373 episodes (Hartford service area). The statewide average service reach per 1,000 children this month was 1.64, with service area rates ranging from 1.38 (Southwestern) to 2.36 (Hartford) relative to their specific child populations. Additionally, the number of episodes generated relative to the number of children in poverty in each service area yielded a statewide average poverty service reach rate of 3.03 per 1,000 children in poverty, with service area rates ranging from 2.63 (New Haven) to 3.56 (Western).

Mobility: Statewide mobility was 93.0% this month, the same rate of response as in May 2012. Five of the six service areas were above the 90% benchmark this month, with performance ranging from 89.8% (Western) to 97.4% (Eastern). Mobility for individual providers ranged from 78% (Wellmore-Torrington) to 100% (Child & Family Guidance Center-Norwalk). Twelve of the fifteen individual providers had mobility rates above the 90% benchmark.

Response Time: Statewide, this month 88% of mobile episodes received a face-to-face response in 45 minutes or less, which is 5% higher than May 2012 (83%). Five service areas were above the 80% benchmark this month, with performance ranging from 79% (New Haven) to 98% (Eastern). In addition, the statewide median mobile response time was 28 minutes. Thirteen sites met the benchmark of at least 80% of mobile responses provided in 45 minutes or less.

Length of Stay (LOS): Statewide, among discharged episodes, 3% of plus stabilization follow-up episodes exceeded 45 days. This month the statewide median LOS for discharged episodes with a crisis response of plus stabilization follow-up was 16.0 days. The median LOS for discharged episodes with a crisis response of plus stabilization follow-up ranged from 13.0 days (Hartford) to 28 days (Southwestern).
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Figure 1. Total Call Volume by Call Type

Figure 2. EMPS Episodes by Service Area (Total Episodes = 1332)

Figure 3. Number Served Per 1,000 Children

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Figure 5. Mobile Response by Service Area

Figure 6. Total Mobile Episodes with a Response Time Under 45 Minutes

Note: Count of mobile episodes under 45 mins. are in parenthesis
**Section II: EMPS Response**

**Figure 7. Statewide 211 Disposition Frequency**

**Figure 8. EMPS Episodes by Provider**

(Total Episodes = 1332)

**Figure 9. Actual Initial EMPS Response by Provider**

Note: Total count of EMPS response episodes are in parenthesis

**Figure 10. Mobile Response by Provider**

Goal=90%
Section III: Response Time

Figure 11. Mobile Episodes with Response Time Under 45 Minutes

Goal=80%

Section IV: Emergency Department Referrals

Figure 15. Emergency Dept Referrals (% Total EMPS Episodes)

Note: Count total ED referrals are in parenthesis

Figure 16. Emergency Dept Referrals by Provider (% Total EMPS Episodes)

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Section V: Length of Stay (LOS)

Table 1. LOS for Discharged Episodes with a Crisis Response of Plus Stabilization Follow-up

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Section VI: Provider Community Outreach

Figure 17. Number of Times Providers Conducted Formal* Outreach to the Community (Current Month)

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