

LOUISIANA METHODIST CHILDREN'S HOME
STATISTICAL REPORT OF SERVICES FOR 2002

REFERRAL STATISTICS

During 2002, Louisiana Methodist Children's Home received a total of 983 referrals for placement in our residential programs. Of these children referred for placement, 168 were referred by the Division of Youth Services, 360 were referred by the Office of Community Services and 364 were referred privately. 91 youth were referred by police or sheriff's offices.

During 2002, Louisiana Methodist Children's Home served a total of 223 individual youth in our residential programs. The average length of stay was 140.87 days, determined by dividing the days of care provided by the number of individuals served.

RESIDENTIAL SERVICES

Our programs of residential care during 2002 included Alternate Care (AC), Emergency Shelter Care (ESC), Changing Attitudes & Behaviors (CAB) Program, and Residential Care (RC). These residential programs were licensed as three distinct levels of care; CAB is Intensive, ESC and AC are licensed as Controlled, and RC is licensed as Moderate.

The days of care provided by custody for the individual programs of care are provided in the chart below. Due to the programming changes, which occurred early in 2002, the total potential days of care during the year, were 33,564. The total licensed days of care during 2002 was 32,850. Of these potential 32,850 days of care we provided 31,416 actual days of care, operating at 95.6% of licensed capacity. Of these potential 33,564 days of residential care, we provided 31,416 actual days of care, operating at 93.6% of potential capacity. The 31,416 actual days of care provided in 2002 represents an increase of 7.9% compared to the year 2001 when we provided 28,939 actual days of residential care.

Residential Program (Level of Care)	Custody				Total Days by Program
	AC	DOC	OCS	Private	
Alternate Care (Controlled)	838	0	0	0	838
Emergency Shelter Care (Controlled)	0	943	3,417	960	5,320
Changing Aggressive Behaviors (Intensive)	0	0	8,694	0	8,694
Residential Care (Moderate)	0	2,457	10,709	3,398	16,564
Total by Custody	838	3,400	22,820	4,358	31,416

Relationship of Actual Days of Care Provided to Potential Days and Actual Days in Previous Year

Actual Days 2001	Residential Program (Level of Care)	Potential Days (Capacity)	Actual Days 2002	Percentage of Capacity	Percentage Over 2001
803	Alternate Care (Controlled)	1,460	838	57.40%	4.2%
5,005	Emergency Shelter Care (Controlled)	6,518	5,320	82.00%	5.9%
8,515	Changing Aggressive Behaviors (Intensive)	8,760	8,694	99.20%	2.1%
14,616	Residential Care (Moderate)	16,826	16,564	98.40%	11.8%
28,939	Totals by Custody	33,564	31,416	93.60%	7.9%

Days of Residential Care Provided by Contract

Residential Services Contracts	Contractual Days of Care	Actual Days of Care	Number Over Contract	Percentage Over Contract
OCS - Emergency Shelter Care	2,922	3,417	495	16.9%
OCS - Changing Aggressive Behaviors	8,760	8,694	-66	-0.08%
OCS - Residential Care	8,760	10,709	1949	22.2%
DOC - Residential Care	3,650	3,400	-250	-6.8%

Statistics related to the custody, race and gender of our residents are provided below:

Individuals By Race, Gender And Custody

Custody	Black			White			Other			TOTAL		
	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
AC	28	23	5	14	11	3	0	0	0	42	34	8
DOC	12	0	12	20	0	20	0	0	0	32	0	32
OCS	67	29	38	59	33	26	3	1	2	129	63	66
PRI	3	1	2	17	8	9	0	0	0	20	9	11
TOTALS	110	53	57	110	52	58	3	1	2	223	106	117

Custody by Race

Race	AC	DOC	OCS	PRI
Black	66.7%	37.5%	52%	15%
White	33.3%	62.5%	46%	85%
Hispanic	00	0%	2%	0%
TOTALS	100%	100%	100%	100%

Percent Private/State by Race

Race	PRI	ST
Black	15%	53%
White	85%	45.5%
Hispanic	0%	1.5%

Racial Distribution

Race	%
Black	49.3%
White	49.3%
Hispanic	1.4%
TOTAL	100%

ADMISSIONS, DISCHARGES, AND LENGTH OF STAY STATISTICS

Statistics related to the admission and discharge of youth from the different levels of care are presented in the chart below. For purposes of utilization review, these statistics also provide information regarding length of stay by custody and level of care.

Residential Program	Custody	Continued from 2001	Admitted in 2002	Discharged in 2002	Continued to 2003	Participants	Days of Care	Average LOS (days)
CAB	OCS	24	12	12	24	36	8,694	241.50
AC	AC	2	51	51	2	53	838	15.81
ESC	DOC	2	18	17	2	20	943	47.15
	OCS	7	42	43	6	49	3,417	69.73
	PRI	2	13	12	3	15	960	64.00
	TOTAL	11	73	72	11	84	5,320	63.33
RGC	DOC	7	12	17	7	18	2,457	129.31
	OCS	30	34	36	31	64	10,709	167.32
	PRI	6	11	13	5	17	3,398	199.88
	TOTAL	43	57	66	43	100	16,564	165.64
GRAND TOTALS		80	256	264	80	273	31,416	115.07

INDEPENDENT LIVING

During 2002, 410 structured classes and seminars were presented to 16-21 year olds. This is a decrease of 18.2% from the 501 classes and seminars taught in 2001. A total of 220 individual youth received services from the Independent Living Program. Children in the care of our agency, other child care agencies and in foster care have attended classes in subjects such as apartment hunting, check writing, banking, nutrition and many other subjects related to living independently. Our staff provide services to a catchment area which covers all of northeast Louisiana, from Lincoln Parish to the Mississippi River.

Each participant in the Independent Living Program receives a pre-test and post-test for independent living skills assessment. During 2002 the average score on pre-tests was 63% with the average on post-tests being 80% for a pre-test/post-test average improvement of 27%.

FAMILY DEVELOPMENT CENTER

During 2002, a total of 544 individuals were served through the Family Development Center. There were 117 out-patient families yielding a total of 237 individual family members seen in therapy. There were 73 residential clients yielding a total of 178 individual family members seen in therapy. 6 families involving 53 individuals participated in court-ordered family evaluation services. Family Development Center staff also presented at the Texas Association of Marriage & Family Therapists' annual conference during January, 2002. The therapist for the Crime Victims Assistance (CVA) grant served 46 residential youth and 9 outpatient clients, (21 individuals for outpatient services including family members). A total of 67 individuals were counseled in the Crime Victims Assistance Program.

HOWARD SCHOOL

During 2002, Howard Educational Center provided educational services to a total of 225 different youth. 223 of these youth were residents of Methodist Children's Home. Howard Educational Center served 145 different youth in regular Residential classes. 39 youth moved through the regular classroom and on to either public school or Vo-Tech. 156 youth participated in short-term educational services. 12 youth participated in the Howard School GED program and 6 of these graduated after earning their GED.