

Disparities in Children's Mental Health Systems of Care

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Purpose: Examine ethnic, gender, and age differences among youth enrolled in the monitoring component of the CMHS study

Study Aims

1. Describe characteristics of youth at baseline
2. Investigate potential racial, gender, age disparities in treatment outcomes
3. Identify contributing factors to treatment trajectories and disparities in treatment outcome

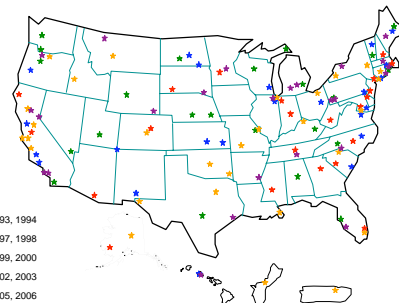
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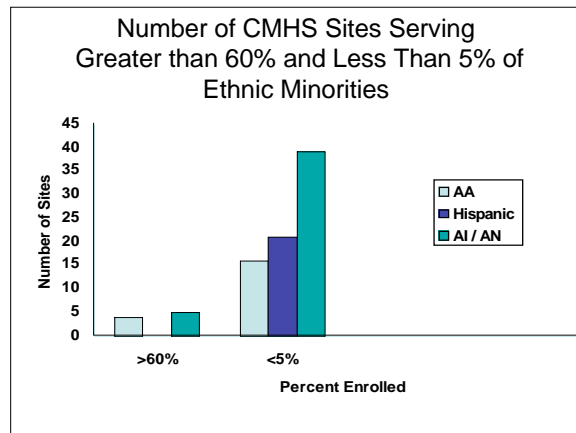
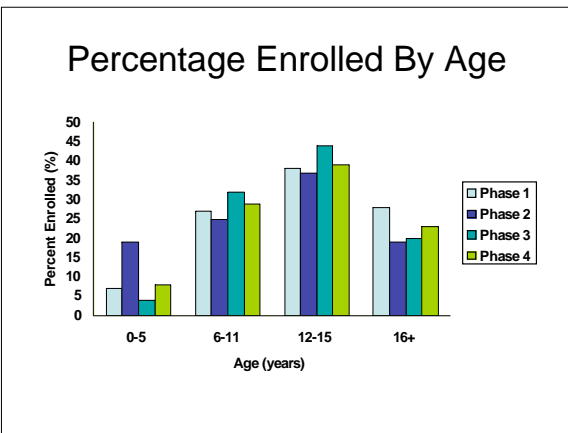
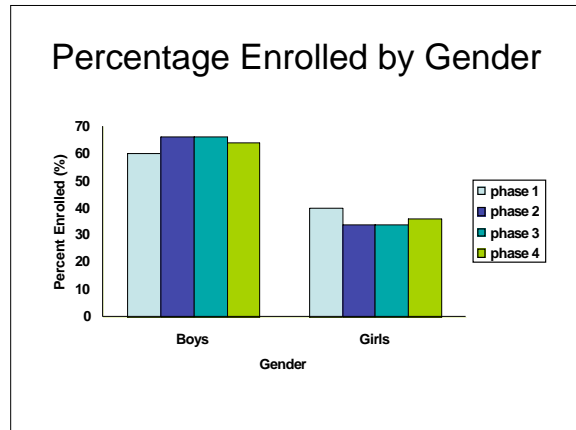
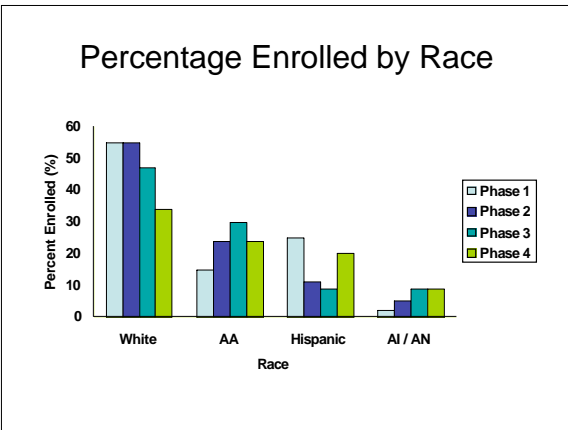
- Disparities exist in mental health service use
 - Access to services
 - Receipt of appropriate care
 - Quality of care
- Reducing disparities is a national priority
 - Healthy People 2010
 - President's New Freedom Commission on Mental Health
 - Surgeon General's Report on Mental Health, Culture, and Ethnicity

Comprehensive Community Mental Health Services for Children and Their Families Program

To encourage the development of home and community-based systems of care in States, political subdivisions of States, American Indian tribes or tribal organizations, and territories, that meet the needs of children and adolescents with serious emotional disturbances and their families.

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- ## Symposium
- John Gilford & Christine Walrath
 - Disparities in need & disparities in outcomes: What have we learned through the National Evaluation?
 - Richard Miech
 - Potential role of CMHS program sites in addressing mental health disparities
 - Bob Stephens
 - Importance of Cultural Competence working with racial and ethnic minority children
 - Larke Huang, Phil Leaf
 - Discussants

Concluding Remarks

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