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YES Data and Information Report for 4th Quarter of 2018

The quarterly Quality Management Improvement and Accountability (QMIA) reports focus on statewide and regional-level data and information to provide insights into the child-serving system in Idaho. Those engaged in serving children and families in Idaho may find these insights useful to support system improvement decision-making.

The latest issue covers the reporting period of October 1 through December 31, 2018. It includes information on who Medicaid and the Division of Behavioral Health served, CANS certifications and training, youth and family perception of care, and a 2019 legislative update from the Department of Juvenile Corrections.

CANS COMPLETION NUMBERS

During the 2018 4th quarter, 1,326 youth had an initial Child and Adolescent Needs and Strengths Assessments (CANS) completed in Idaho, according to the YES Data and Reports Committee that produces the QMIA reports.



Statewide, 1,079 youth received a recommended Level of Care of 1-3 on their initial CANS during the reporting period. Eligibility for the YES program is determined by a qualifying mental health diagnosis and recommended Level of Care of 1-3 on the CANS.

Overall, most of the youth statewide who had a CANS completed during 4th quarter 2018 received a recommended level of care (LOC) of 1 (37%) with 19% receiving 0 for LOC. Of the remaining youth, 15% received level 2 and 29% received 3.

For more information, read the [QMIA Quarterly Report, April 2019](#) issue. This and past issues are available on the Project Information, [Updates and Reports](#) page on the YES website.

Recommended Levels of Care

- 1 SED identified. Services should be coordinated, but functioning is stable
- 2 SED identified. Youth may be involved in multiple systems and require extensive service collaboration
- 3 SED identified. Youth is considered to have high treatment needs and is at risk of out-of-home placement

New Inquiry and Concerns/Complaints Contacts for YES

YES now has a toll-free number for those inquiring about the new system of care. This number has been added to the [YES Contacts handout](#) and webpage.

YES Inquiries: 208-334-6997 or 1-833-644-8296 toll-free

Concerns or Complaints: 208-334-6870 or 1-855-643-7233 toll-free.



Families can now share their concerns or complaints with a new, easy-to-use [Concerns and Complaints](#) form accessible on the [Parent](#) and [Contacts](#) pages of the YES website. The voices of our community are an integral part of improving Idaho's children's mental health system and the Division of Behavioral Health takes all concerns/complaints seriously. This information will help identify issues and improve the system of care.

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