# Statewide Evaluation (SWE): Phase 2 Findings



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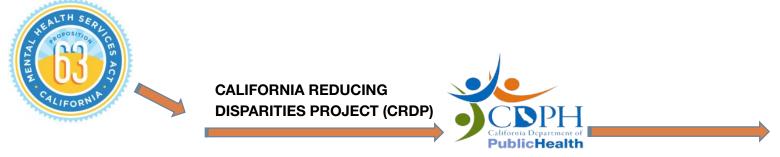
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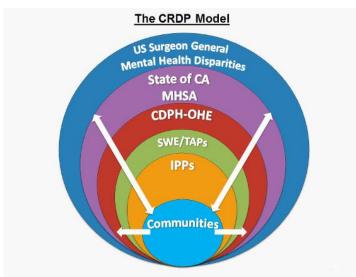




A set of practices that communities have used and determined to yield positive results by community consensus over time and which may or may not have been measured empirically but have reached a level of acceptance by the community.



Address the
Unserved, Underserved, and Inappropriately
Served in CA



# **Culturally Responsive Outreach**

"In a Juneteenth event, [youth participants] created a sweet potato shake...We had a [coupon] for the sweet shakes, so we sent [youth participants] out to distribute them in the crowd and talk about the program...We had educational information—a wheel—about sweet potatoes, prizes, and kids actually making the sweet shakes. When people came to buy the sweet shakes, I would hear things like '...this [youth] really sold me on the shake. He talked about the program and I just had to come over here and buy the shake'... The success was due to the kids and their marketing of the product. And you [could] see the sense of pride in the [youth] when people came up to the booth. They were excited to talk about the program...[and] able to implement all they had learned through the program."

- African American Hub CDEP

"I didn't think I was going to pass 8th grade. I was getting bad grades kind of, but more so I was giving up. After participating, I try at least. I try. You can outreach community and you can give back to the community and you will get back from the community."

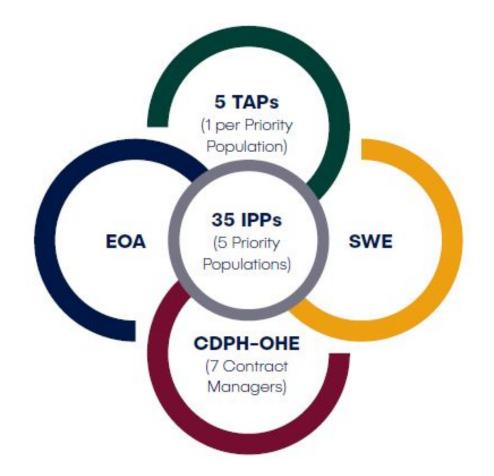
-African American Hub CDEP Participant





#### **Phase 2 Partners:**

Office of Health Equity, Statewide Evaluator, Technical Assistance Providers, Education, Outreach Awareness, Implementation Pilot Projects (IPPs)



#### **Technical Assistance Providers & Implementation Pilot Projects by Priority Population**

Af. American	AI/AN	AA/NH/PI	Latinx	LGBTQ+
ON TRACK PROGRAM RESOURCES	<b>%</b> PIRE	Special Service for Groups, Inc.	UCDAVIS HEALTH Center for Reducing Health Disparities	CARS CENTER FOR APPLIED RESEARCH SOLUTIONS
CALIFORNIA BLACK WOMEN'S HEALTH PROJECT	FRIENDSHIP HOUSE	POUNCED 1973 ASSOCIATION OF	HEALTH EDUCATION COUNCIL	SAN FRANCISCO COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER
Catholic Charities of the East Bay	Indian Health Center of Santa Clara Valley	EBAYC EAST BAYASIAN YOUTH CENTER	HUMANIDAD	THE CENTER For Sexuality & Gender Diversity
HEALTHY HERITAGE MOVEMENT	THE STATE OF THE S	THE FRESNO C E N T E R	INTEGRAL COMMUNITY SOLUTIONS INSTITUTE	GHOER HEAVIT
SAFE passages	NATIVE AMERICAN HEALTH CENTER	health 360	La Clínica su a california health center	⑤ gender spectrum
\$	SONOMA COUNTY INDIAN HEALTH PROJECT	THE COUNTY OF	La Jamilia COUNSELING CENTER, INC.	LGBT® CONNECTION Napa & Sonoma Counties
WEST FRESNO HEALTH CARE COALITION INC	UNITED AMERICAN INDIAN INVOLVEMENT ME	KOREAN COMMUNITY SERVICES	Service Providers	openhouse
WHOLE SYSTEMS LEARNING	TWO FEATHERS NATIVE AMERICAN FAMILY SERVICES	MAS		SAN JOAQUIN PIRIDE CENTER





## The Phase 2 Statewide Evaluation answered seven questions:

# Objective 1: Evaluate Overall CRDP Phase 2 Effectiveness in Identifying and Implementing Strategies to Reduce Mental Health Disparities

- To what extent were CRDP strategies and operations effective at preventing and/or reducing the severity of mental illness in California's historically unserved, underserved and/or inappropriately served communities?
- What were vulnerabilities or weaknesses in CRDP's overarching strategies and fiscal operations, and how could they have been strengthened?
- To what extent did CRDP strategies show an effective return on investment?

#### **Objective 2: Determine Effectiveness of CDEPs**

- To what extent did IPPs prevent and/or reduce the severity of prioritized mental health conditions within and across priority populations, including specific subpopulations (e.g., gender, age)?
- How cost effective were Pilot Projects? What was the business case for increasing them to a larger scale?
- To what extent did CRDP Phase 2 Implementation Pilot Projects validate their CDEPs?
- What evaluation frameworks were developed and used by the Pilot Projects?





# CDEP Participant Level Data aka "CDEP Participant Questionnaire"

- Organizational Level Data
- 3 Semi-Structured Interviews
- 4. Review of Records
- **5** Secondary Data (Administrative)

- Pre-Test (before CDEP services)
- Post-Test (typically after CDEP services)
- IPP Pre- and Post-test Organizational Capacity Assessment
- IPP Semi-Annual Reports (IPP-SAR)
- OHE Progress Reports (submitted by TAPs, EOA, SWE)
- Phase 2 Partner Interviews (TAPs, EOA, SWE, OHE)
- Key Informant Interviews
- Accepted grant proposals/bids; CRDP Strategic Plan; Phase 1
   Priority Population Reports; approved IPP final evaluation plans;
   IPP final evaluation reports; IPP, TAP, EOA, and SWE invoices/budgets
- Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS)

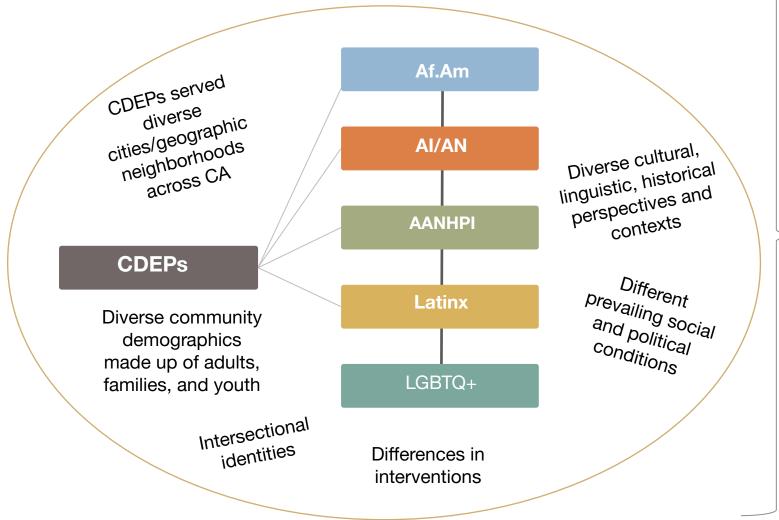


#### **CRDP Phase 2 Findings: Data Structure and Analysis Issues**



• The Statewide Evaluation (SWE) did NOT use a randomized control trial experimental design with assignment of CDEPs or their participants to "treatment" or "control" groups.

#### Most IPPs used non-experimental designs.



- With such great diversity in populations served, strategies employed, and specific program designs used, a wide array of possibilities existed for IPP's quantitative (and qualitative)
   data collection approaches.
- This includes variable sample sizes. Therefore, priority population comparisons of sample sizes are neither appropriate nor valid.





### **Objective 1:**

Evaluate Overall CRDP Phase 2
Effectiveness in Identifying and
Implementing Strategies to
Reduce Mental Health
Disparities.

Objective 2:
Determine Effectiveness of
Community-Defined Evidence
Programs.

A mixed-methods "parallel combination" approach was used for baseline participant-level data and programmatic / initiative wide data

A Bayesian analysis paradigm that also included statistical best practices to assess the extent to which CRDP Phase 2 delivered results via credible intervals on effect sizes of relevant variables.

matched pre- and post-test participant-level data

A cost-benefit analysis for the business case to calculate the dollar value of health (and non-health) savings related to improvements in CDEP participants' mental health

- matched pre- and post-test participant-level data
- MEPS data



# **CRDP** Findings



SWE RQ1: What was the effectiveness of CRDP and its use of CDEPs for preventing and/or reducing the severity of mental health conditions in its priority populations?

### **CRDP** participant outcomes support CDEP effectiveness

- CRDP made mental health services more accessible and improved mental health in unserved, underserved, and inappropriately served communities.
- Statistical modeling of CRDP participant outcomes show that the positive mental health findings are robust and support the overall efficacy of CDEPs as a mental health PEI strategy.
- Culturally grounded technical assistance was provided to support CDEP implementation, evaluation, and organizational capacity building.



## **CRDP** Findings



SWE RQ2: How cost-effective was the CDEP strategy and what was the return on investment for the initiative? What was the business case for CRDP Phase 2?

#### **CRDP** is cost effective

- The CRDP Phase 2 business case found that, for every taxpayer \$ invested in CRDP, there was an estimated return of \$5.
- The estimated net financial benefit to the state exceeded \$450 MD.
- The business case showed that prevention and early intervention matter.

SWE RQ3: To what extent were CDEPs validated and what were the evaluation frameworks developed and used for CDEPs?

 IPP Local Evaluation findings highlighted culturally-informed outcomes that extend beyond standard mental health measures, supporting CDEP effectiveness.





# ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES









# **Key Findings from the CRDP Phase 2 Statewide Evaluation Report**

# How did CDEPs contribute to mental health access (availability, utilization, quality)?

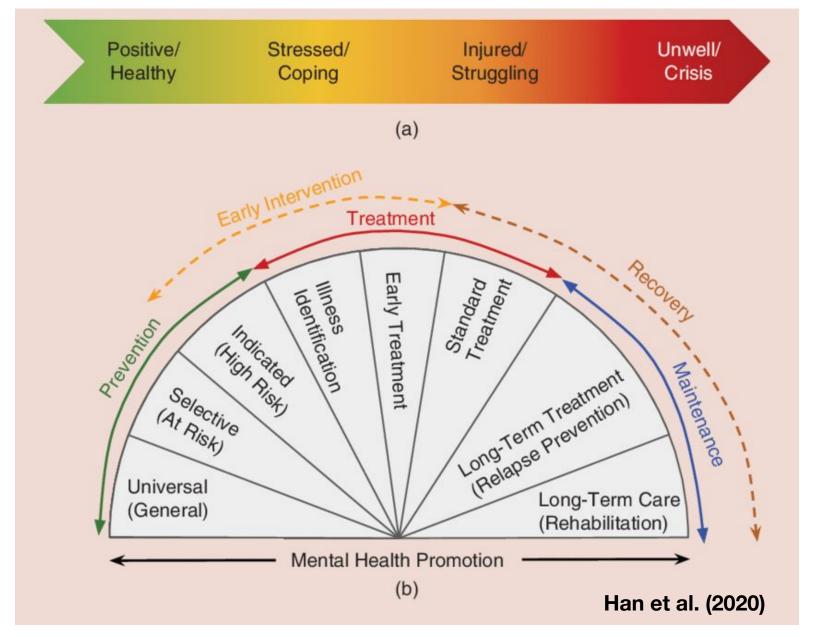
Where do CDEPs fall in the PEI mental health spectrum?

What does the data reveal about the mental health status and needs of individuals served by the CDEPs at baseline?



# **PEI** in the Mental Health Spectrum









#### CRDP-wide findings suggest that CDEPs served the communities they intended to serve



ADULTS: 18+ Years (N=2,895; 22 IPPs)

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#### SEXUAL ORIENTATION

- 83% straight or heterosexual
- 17% LGBQ+

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#### **GENDER IDENTITY**

- 62% woman/female (2% transfeminine)
- 27% man/male (2% transmasculine)
- 6% genderqueer/non-binary
- 2% questioning/unsure

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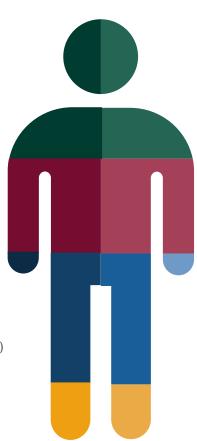
#### RACE

- **16%** Black (2% multi-race)
- 32% Asian American (1% multi-race)
- 33% Latinx (4% multi-race)
- 13% Amer. Indian/Alaska Nat (3% multi-race)
- 2% Nat. Hawaiian/Pac. Islander (1% multi-race)
- 10% White (4% multi-race)

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#### AGE

- 23% were 18-29 years old
- 39% were 30-49 years old
- 38% were 50 plus years old



ADOLESCENTS: 12-24 Years (N=659; 16 IPPs)

#### SEXUAL ORIENTATION

- 71% straight or heterosexual
- 29% LGBQ+

#### **GENDER IDENTITY**

- 46% woman/female (1% transfeminine)
- 38% man/male (4% transmasculine)
- 6% genderqueer/non-binary
- 2% questioning/unsure

#### RACE

- 28% Black (6% multi-race)
- 15% Asian American (3% multi-race)
- 39% Latinx (10% multi-race)
- 23% Amer. Indian/Alaska Nat (10% multi-race)
- 1% Nat. Hawaiian/Pac. Islander (<1% multi-race)
- 15% White (8% multi-race)

#### AGE

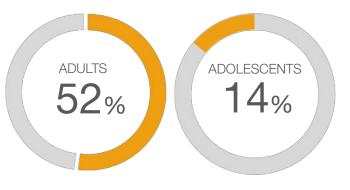
- 33% were 12-14 years old
- 43% were 15-16 years old
- 18% were 17-18 years old
- 6% were 19-24 years old

#### **IMMIGRANT/REFUGEE STATUS**



#### LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT

"NOT AT ALL" TO "SOMEWHAT"



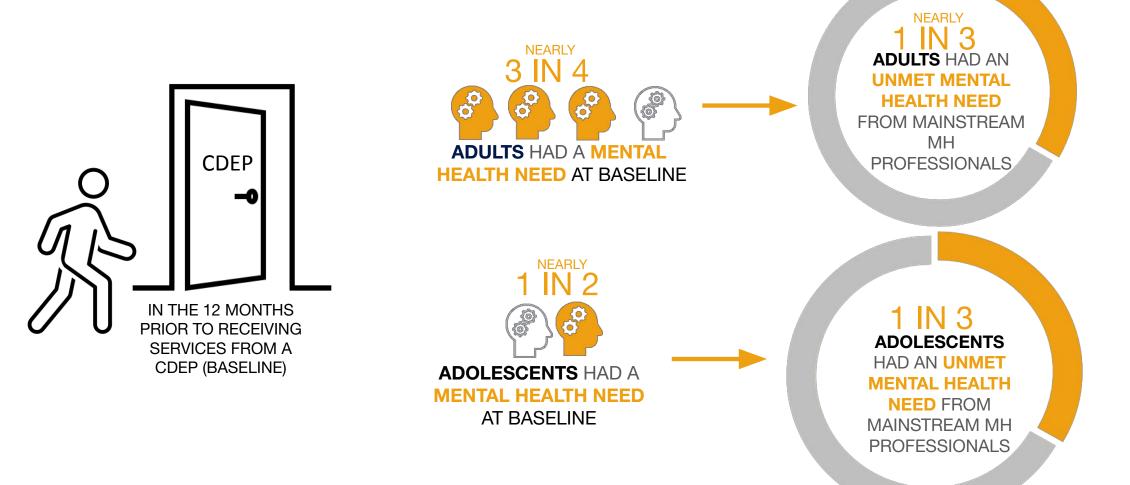
Source: CDEP participant questionnaire

#### ADULT and ADOLESCENT Mental Health Access At-A-Glance



CRDP-wide findings suggest that the CDEPs provided services to ADULTS in the five priority populations who presented with Valifornia Reducing vulnerabilities and risk factors at baseline (i.e., prior to receiving CDEP services).







### The Kessler 6 Scale



The Kessler-6 (K6) is a brief screening scale for non-specific psychological distress in adults (Kessler et al., 2002) and has been shown to be strongly predictive of adult serious mental illness (SMI; Kessler et al., 2003, 2010).

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#### Six items:

- Feeling nervous
- Feeling hopeless
- Feeling restless/fidgety
- · Feeling so depressed that nothing can cheer you up
- · Feeling that everything was an effort
- Feeling worthless

#### Response categories:

None of the time (0)

A little of the time (1)

Some of the time (2)

Most of the time (3)

All of the time (4)

Total score range (0 to 24)



Low: < 5 Moderate: 5 - 12 Serious:  $\ge 13$ 

#### K6 scores:

- 13-24 have probable SMI
- 0-12 probably do not have SMI (Kessler et al., 2003)

# % of K6 scores >13 in general population:

- 3.4% to 6% in the U.S.
  (Kessler et al., 1996; Weissman et al., 2015)
- 8.5% in California (Grant et al., 2011)

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**Source: CDEP participant questionnaire** 

#### **ADULTS**

PAST 30 DAYS:PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS

SERVICE ENTRY

OVER 1 IN 4 ADULTS WERE EXPERIENCING **\_OW** PSYCHOLOGICAL **DISTRESS AT** 



**OVER 1 IN 3 ADULTS** WERE EXPERIENCING

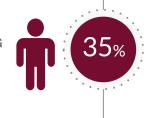
#### **MODERATE**

**PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS** AT SERVICE ENTRY

OVER 1 IN 3 ADULTS WERE EXPERIENCING

#### **SERIOUS**

**PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS** AT SERVICE ENTRY



PREVENTION Positive/ Stressed/ Healthy Coping

**EARLY INTERVENTION** Injured/ Struggling

Unwell/ Crisis

#### **ADOLESCENTS**

PAST 30 DAYS:PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS

36%

1 IN 3 ADOLESCENTS WERE EXPERIENCING

**LOW** PSYCHOLOGICAL **DISTRESS** AT SERVICE ENTRY





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#### **MODERATE**

**PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS** AT SERVICE ENTRY

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#### **SERIOUS PSYCHOLOGICAL**

**DISTRESS** AT SERVICE ENTRY



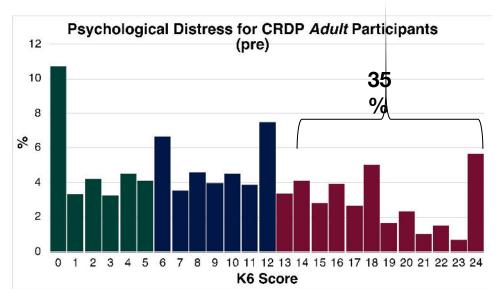


## **CRDP K6 Scores in Context**



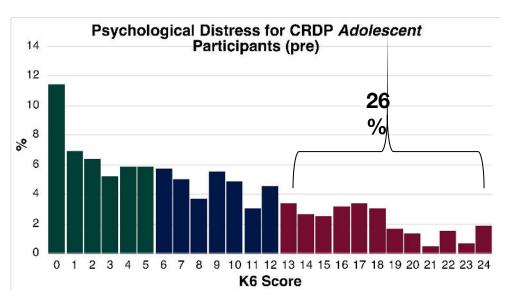
- CRDP adults and adolescents served by the CDEPs were not randomly sampled from the general population.
  - Many had a mental health need in the year prior, some had an unmet mental health need, and all were seeking some type of service, support, or resource from the CDEPs.
- For context:
  - 1 in 5 (20%) U.S. adults and youth (13-18) experience mental illness (MI) each year.
  - 1 in 20 (5%) U.S. adults experience serious mental illness (SMI) each year.

• **About 1 in 2 (52%)** who received treatment met criteria for a past-year DSM-IV disorder and an additional 13% for other indicators of need (multiple subthreshold disorders, recent stressors or suicidal behaviors).



While we don't have enough information to distinguish mental health problems or illness for those who have serious distress, the data suggests

CDEPs are serving individuals who are unserved and underserved.



#### **Mental Health Access Outcomes At-A-Glance**



CRDP-wide findings suggest that CDEPs increased mental health service utilization for their communities' adults, adolescents, & children indirectly through their referral system or through their direct services.





AMERICAN INDIAN / ALASKA NATIVE 7 IPPs

- Range: 25 to 3,013 per IPP
- Average: 903 individuals

AFRICAN AMERICAN **IPPs** INDIVIDUALS

- Range: 109 to 279 per IPP
- Average: 160 individuals

ASIAN AMERICAN, NATIVE HAWAIIAN, PACIFIC ISLANDER 7 IPPs

- Range: 110 to 643 per IPP
- Average: 160 individuals

LGBTQ+ 6 IPPs **INDIVIDUALS** 

- Range: 162 to 476 per IPP
- Average: 304 individuals

LATINX 7 IPPs INDIVIDUALS

- Range: 141 to 2,011 per IPP
- Median\*: 435 individuals

# **Culturally Responsive Service Delivery**



"Each morning of each week when we implement our activities, we welcome our participants with traditional light food, like rice porridge, cupcakes, soups, to warm up their souls. Then depending on the theme of the month, before each session we will also include traditional spiritual activities like traditional mantras and other cultural activities like soul calling/blessing string tying and prayers to help empower participants and bring them to the 'here and now' moment."

-AANHPI Hub CDEP

"I felt that I had a dark life – like a pigeon in a bird cage when I first came here. Now my dreams are coming true and I can be more honest and see the world being much brighter now."

-AANHPI Hub CDEP Participant



CRDP-wide findings suggest that CDEPs increased mental health service availability for their communities' adults, adolescents, & children indirectly through their referral system or through their direct services.





IPPs from 5 hubs provided 17,599 unique individuals



referrals (total of 21,902)

MENTAL HEALTH	n=6,439 Referrals	24 IPPs
Top Sub-Types	# Referrals	# IPPs
Counseling, Therapy, Wellness	5,247	24
Substance Abuse	416	20
Sexual Assault	282	15
Psychiatric Care	229	9
Domestic Violence	220	13

BASIC NEEDS	n=4,775 Referrals	20 IPPs
Top Sub-Types	# Referrals	# IPPs
Food Assistance	2,070	17
Financial Assistance	922	14
Housing, Rent, Utilities	869	17
Transportation	367	13
Clothing and Furniture Assistance	339	8

HEALTH	n=4,392 Referrals	18 IPPs
Top Sub-Types	# Referrals	# IPPs
Primary Health Care	2,691	17
Nutrition	482	4
COVID-Related Health Supports	379	4
Dental/ Optometry/ Prescription	356	8
Medical Benefits and Insurance	140	5
Illness Specific (HIV/AIDS, dialysis)	77	4
Transgender Healthcare	49	1

PERSONAL GROWTH	n=2,188 Referrals	15 IPPs
Top Sub-Types	# Referrals	# IPPs
Social/Cultural Enrichment Programs	1,365	11
Support/ Mentoring	326	3
Faith-Based/ Spiritual Services	230	7
Other (e.g., entrepreneurial training, police athletic league)	136	4
Volunteer Services	120	9

LEGAL ADVOCACY	n=1,707 Referrals	19 IPPs
EDUCATION	n=537 Referrals	20 IPPs

CAREER (job training, skills)	n=507 Referrals	13 IPPs
PARENTING CHILD CARE	n=141 Referrals	7 IPPs
SPECIALTY CARE	n=73 Referrals	9 IPPs





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# MENTAL HEALTH IMPROVEMENTS





# **Key Findings from the CRDP Phase 2 Statewide Evaluation Report**



# Did CDEPs prevent the development of mental illness and/or promote positive wellbeing?

Did CDEPs reduce mental health risks for people with early signs of mental illness?



## Adult participants improved on ALL five core measure outcomes



- Cultural Protective Factor 1: Importance of Culture to Provide Strength, Good Feelings, Connection to Traditions
- Cultural Protective Factor 2: Balanced in Mind/Body/Spirit and Connected to Culture

PARC-des igned

 Social Isolation/Risk Factor: Feelings of Marginalization and Isolation

• Sheehan Disability Scale: Psychological Functioning at Home, Work, Family, and Friends

Widely-used (e.g., CHIS, NSDUH)

Kessler 6: Psychological Distress



# Kessler (K6) 101 – Psychological distress



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- Feeling that everything was an effort
- Feeling worthless

## Response categories:

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A little of the time (1)

Some of the time (2)

Most of the time (3)

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Total score range (0 to 24)

Low: < 5

**Moderate: 5 - 12** 

Serious: ≥ 13

## Changes in psychological distress for adult participants



Strong evidence emerges supporting CDEP prevention and early intervention effectiveness among a sample of adult participants. Many maintained lower levels of distress or decreased their level of distress by the end of services.





#### ADULT (N=1,773): PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS (Kessler-6) BY THE NUMBERS



Among a sample of CDEP-Served Adults who had "moderate" (K6=5 to 12) psychological distress at pre-CDFP intervention:

 4 in 10 had less distress at post-test, while 5 in 10 maintained at the same state at post-test.



Key takeaway

Improved or stayed the same, providing strong evidence that **CDEP prevention AND early** Intervention efforts prevent some adults from developing more serious symptoms.

### Changes in psychological distress for youth participants



Strong evidence emerges supporting CDEP prevention and early intervention effectiveness among a sample of youth participants Many maintained lower levels of distress or decreased their level of distress by the end of services.





#### YOUTH (N=317): PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS (Kessler-6) BY THE NUMBERS



Among a sample of CDEP-Served YOUTH who had "none" or "mild" (K6=5 or lower) psychological distress at pre-CDEP intervention::

Nearly 7 in 10 maintained none or a mild state of distress at post-test.

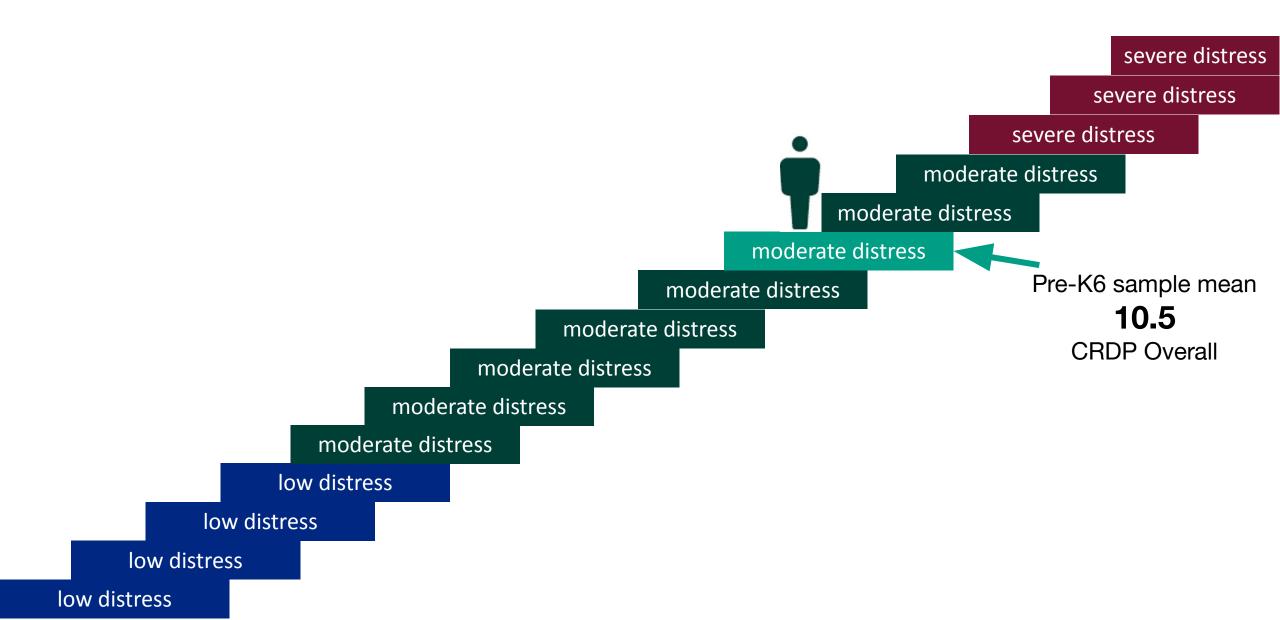
Key takeaway

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Stayed the same, providing strong evidence that CDEP prevention efforts work for many young people.

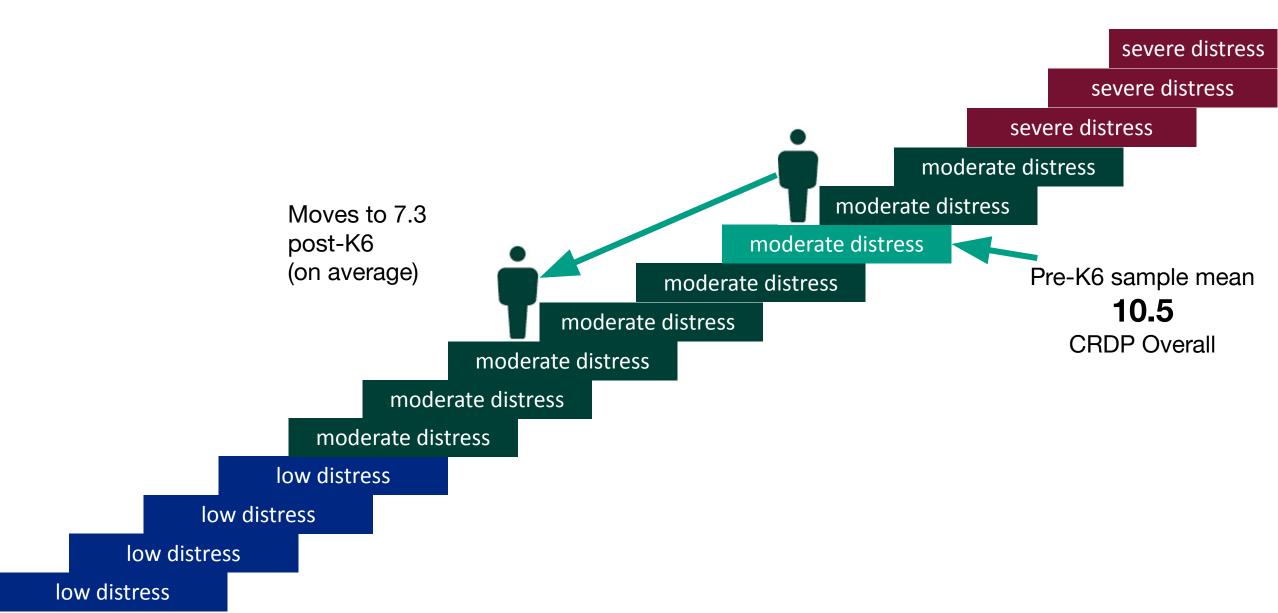






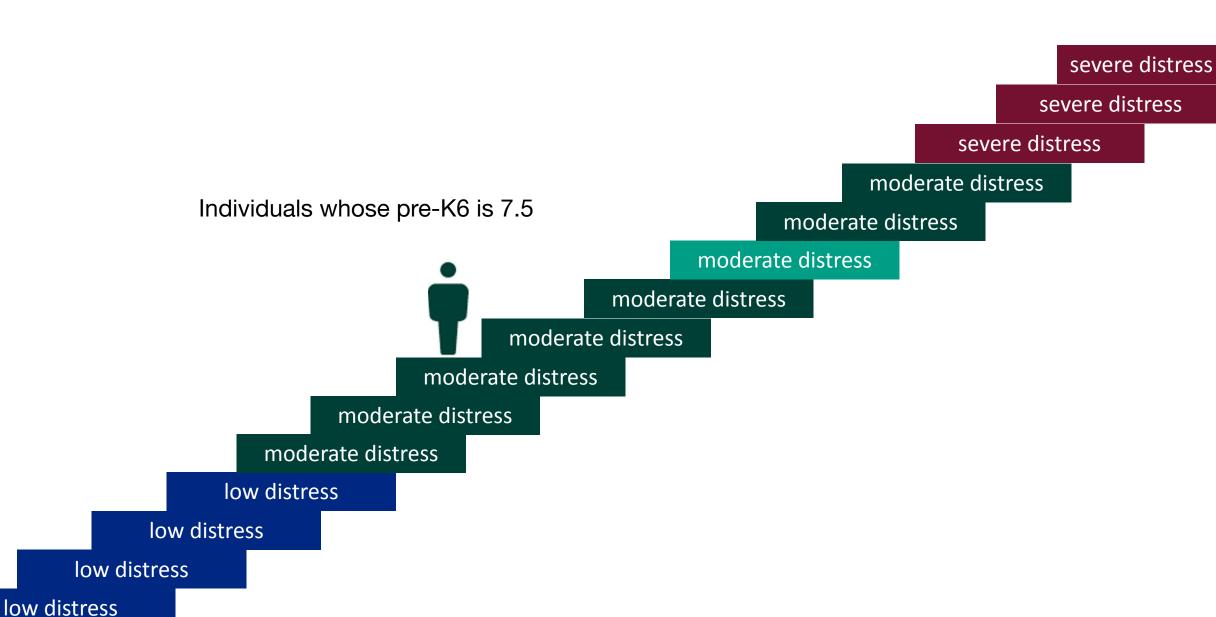






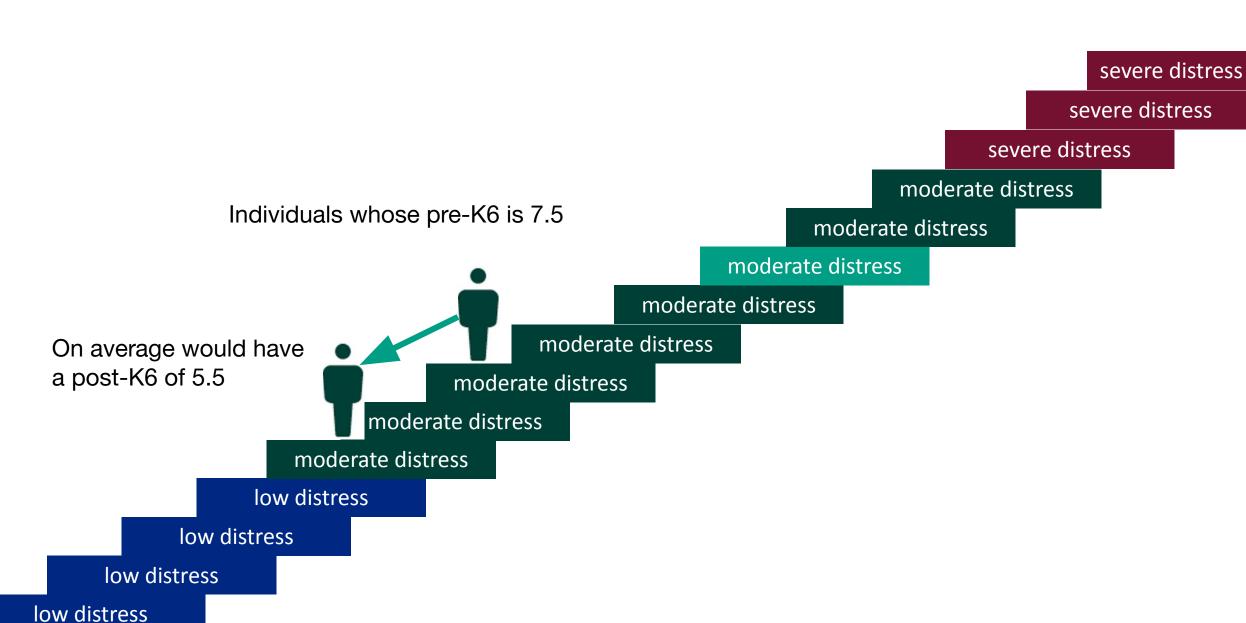
















Pre-K6 of 14 indicative of **severe distress** 



severe distress

moderate distress

low distress

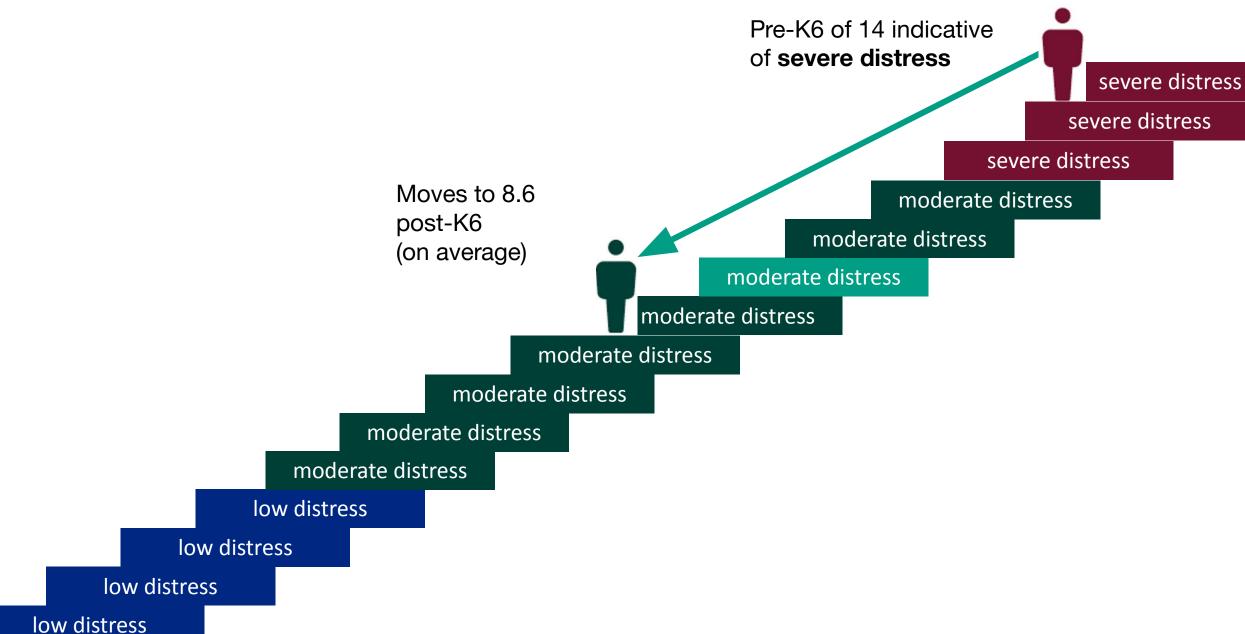
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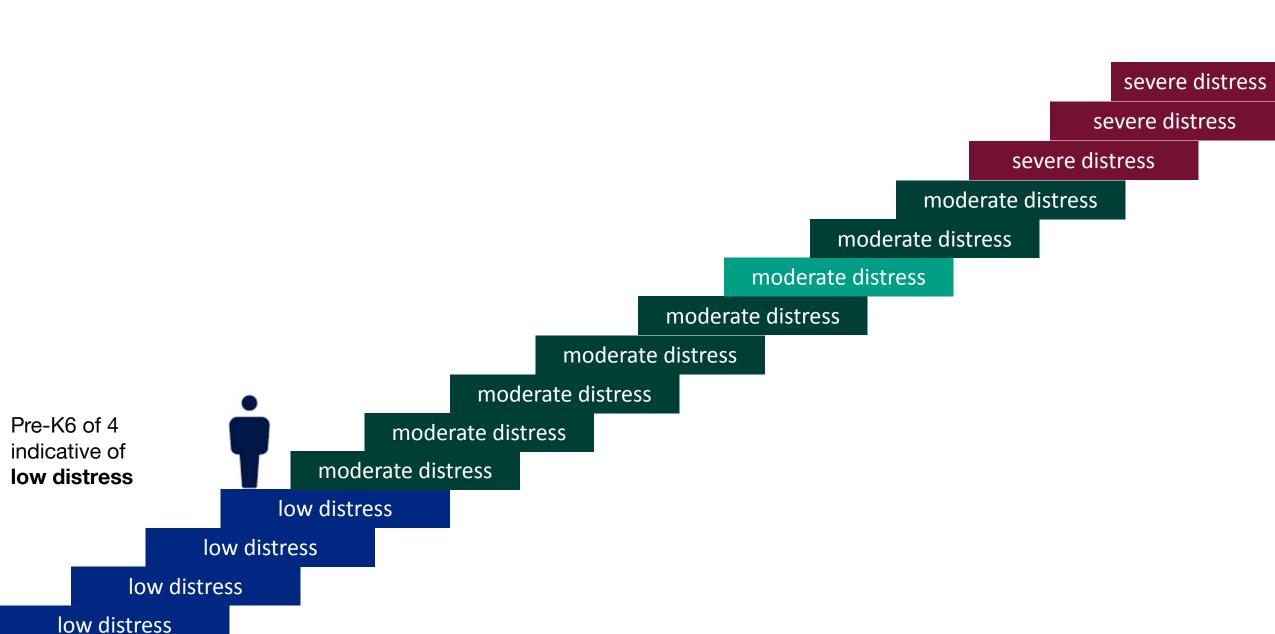






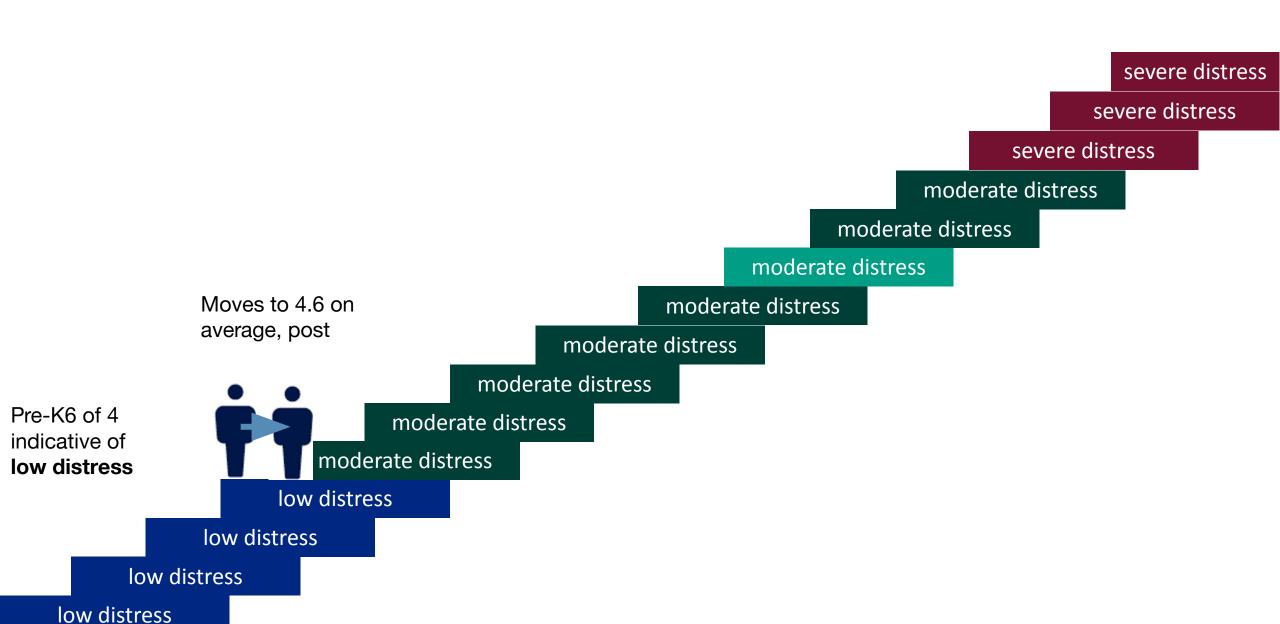










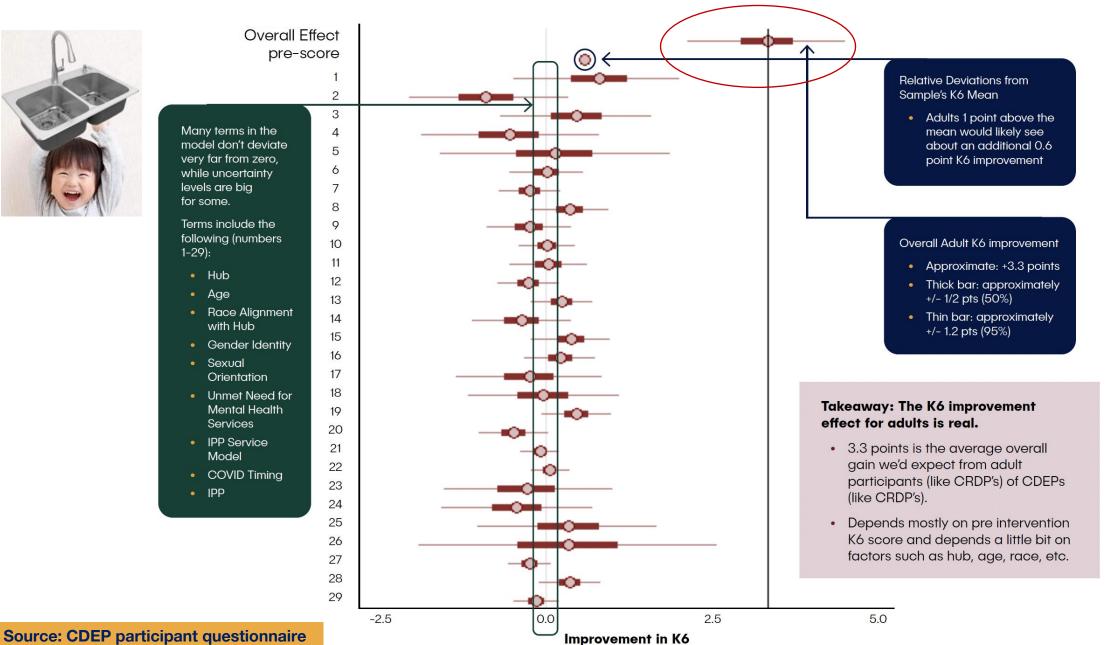




Adult participants improved by 3 points on average, even when you take into account factors such as age, hub, gender identity, and even the timing of COVID-19.







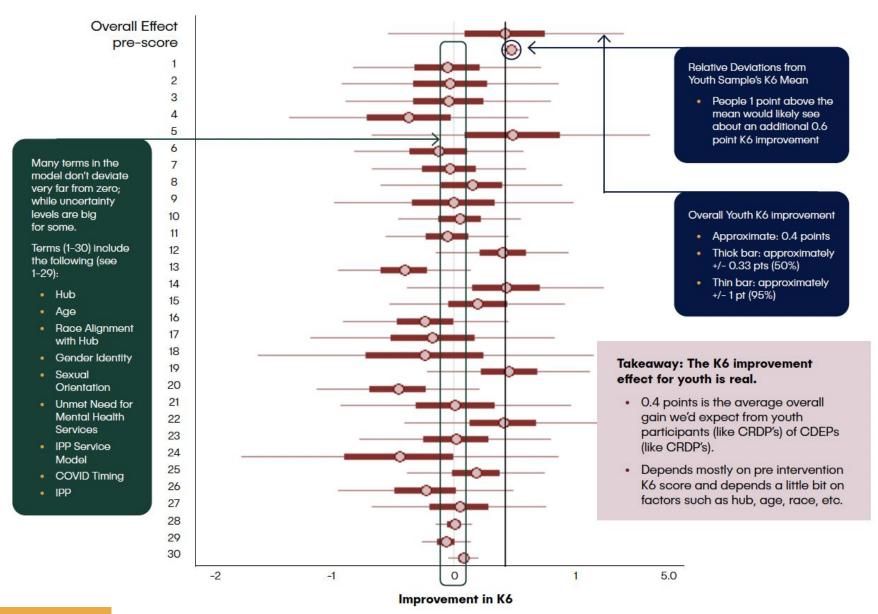


#### **Adolescent participants**



These findings indicate the importance of mental health prevention services that help youth remain steady over time.





# **Culturally Responsive Service Delivery**



"...on the topic of 'what broke our Indian world apart?' and 'what can bring it together?' helped us untangle intergenerational trauma and the impact it has on our people...Some covered alcohol and drug dependence, traditional uses of tobacco, importance of clean land and water, how colonization has impacted down to the way we eat, etc. There were also cultural teachings around the ribbon skirt [at the water walk], elders brought additional skirts so that young girls can present themselves to the earth and ceremony in a good way. Many girls were seen pulling their skirts down to be in touch with the earth as a means to generate connection with the woman as a divine being and the earth. Many young girls and boys learned traditional songs and were found singing them throughout arts and crafts time."

-AI/AN Hub CDEP

"I really like finding more about myself and the cultural path that is really like opening up for me."

-AI/AN Hub CDEP Participant





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# SYSTEMS CHANGE EFFORTS



In collaboration with their communities, IPPs harnessed their collective power to champion solutions for addressing mental health inequities across multiple societal levels.



Data period: 05/2017 - 04/2021



#### **Environmental**

Changes in spaces where people live, work, and play







#### **Systems**

Changes in organizational or institutional processes







#### **Policy**

Information and education to help inform the development of more equitable laws, regulations, and rules





21 IPPs contributed to 55 environmental, systems, and policy changes.

## Systems Change

#### **Latinx Hub CDEP Accomplishment:**

One IPP worked with several schools to change their approaches to discipline to be supportive rather than punitive.

"Honestly, when I came, I didn't like it. I just wanted to go back to my home school, but then I started talking. I met [my therapist] and other teachers that saw me as a bright student, and they even told me. Ever since, from the first day I came to this day now, I have no suspensions here. No suspensions, no referrals, or anything."

-Latinx Hub CDEP Participant

#### **LGBTQ+ Hub CDEP Accomplishment:**

IPP trained several school district employees and teachers on gender inclusivity in consultation with superintendent. This resulted in changes in the student information system and the library collection to be gender inclusive. In one district, despite backlash from some parents on gender inclusive sex education, the schools continued to facilitate dialogues with the community with youth leaders leading a panel to discuss their views.





# BUSINESS CASE: COST BENEFIT ANALYSIS OF CRDP PHASE 2

Rather than what does all of this COST.....

The question that should be asked is, how much does all of this SAVE?







# **Key Findings from the CRDP Phase 2 Statewide Evaluation Report**

# What matters most? Prevention or early intervention?



## Cost Benefit Analysis (CBA) Overview



A Cost-Benefit Analysis is a systematic process for identifying, quantifying, and comparing expected benefits and costs of an action, investment, or policy (U.S. Department of Transportation, 2023)

CRDP's CBA includes health and non-health outcomes

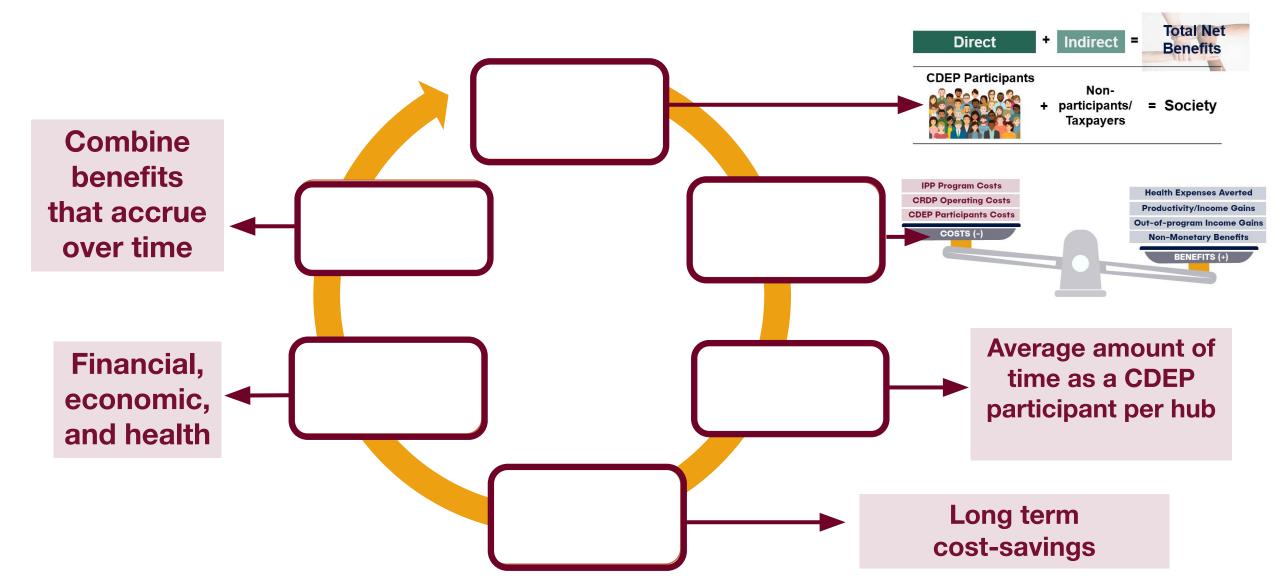
#### **Advantages of CRDP's CBA**

- Measures/monetizes CDEP-related social benefits
- Provides a useful benchmark from which to evaluate and compare potential PEI investments
- Used to calculate CRDP's return on investment (ROI)



#### What steps did we follow for CRDP's CBA?





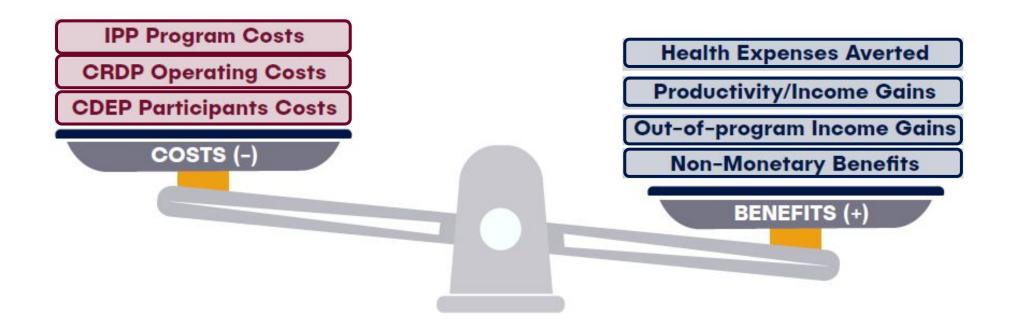


#### Costs and Benefits Considered for CRDP



- CDEP participants' travel costs
- CDEP participants' reduction in leisure

- Lower suicide rates
- Reduced recidivism
- • Cultural connectedness





#### **Data Sources**



**OHE** budget

**IPP local evaluation reports** 

**IPP** semi-annual reports

**IPP Program Costs** 

**CRDP Operating Costs** 

**CDEP Participants Costs** 

COSTS (-)

CDEP SWE participant questionnaire (no health expenditure data)

National medical expenditure panel data (restricted version with links to NHIS accessed through a U.S. Census Federal Research facility)

**Health Expenses Averted** 

**Productivity/Income Gains** 

**Out-of-program Income Gains** 

**Non-Monetary Benefits** 

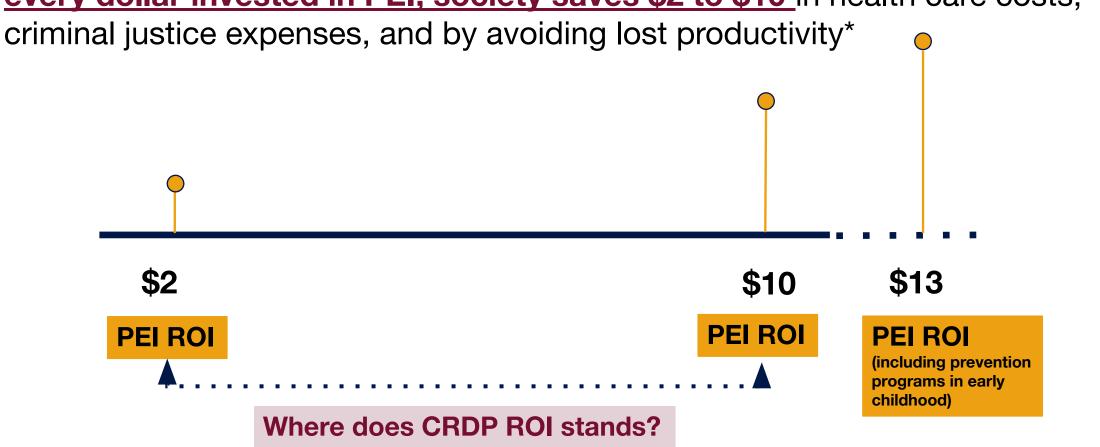
**BENEFITS (+)** 



### Context: Return on Investment (ROI) for PEI Programs



The National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine found that for every dollar invested in PEI, society saves \$2 to \$10 in health care costs,



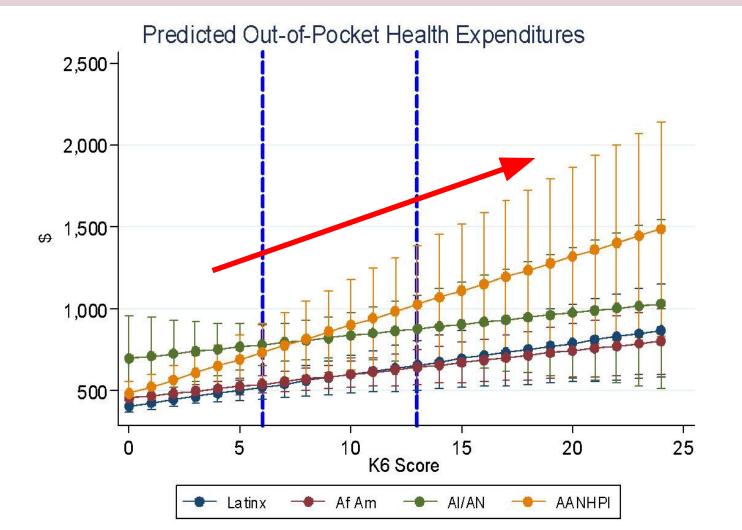
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### Context: K6 MEPS and Health Expenditures



#### Medical Expenditure Panel Survey (MEPS) Data for 2017-2019



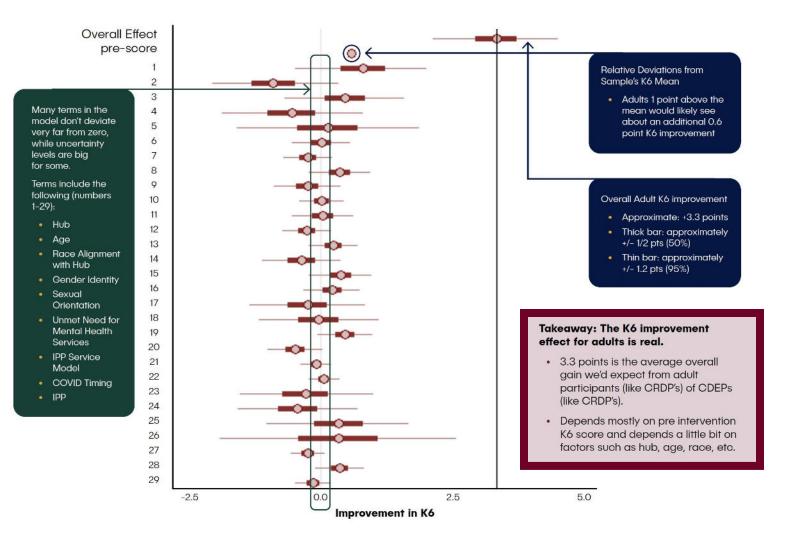
Positive relationship between MEPS K6 scores and out-of-pocket health expenditures

confirms findings
 previously outlined in
 the health literature
 (Dismuke et al, 2011; Pirraglia et al., 2011)



## Findings: Health Expenditure Values and Psych Distress





What does a 3-point improvement in psychological distress (K6) mean in \$?



#### Findings: Health Savings and Mental Health



K6*Race/Ethnicity	Health	Expenditures	Standard Error
8#hubA	\$	1,342.12	\$44.4
8#hubB	\$	551.75	\$31.0
8#hubC	\$	805.04	\$62.5
8#hubD	\$	779.13	\$102.8
9#hubA	\$	1,385.52	\$50.4
9#hubB	\$	562.87	\$34.6
9#hubC	\$	817.56	\$62.5
9#hubD	\$	819.38	\$116.0
10#hubA	\$	1,428.92	\$56.6
10#hub B	\$	573.99	\$38.4
10#hubC	\$	830.08	\$66.4
10#hubD	\$	859.64	\$129.4
11#hubA	\$	1,472.33	\$62.9
11#hubB	\$	585.11	\$42.4
11#hubC	\$	842.60	\$73.5
11#hubD	\$	899.90	\$142.9

# A 3-point drop in psychological distress for a person in hub A:

K6=11 to K6=8 (moderate distress)

Yearly health expenditures \$1,472 □ \$1,342

= \$130 savings for a CDEP participant in hub A



#### **CDEP Benefits**



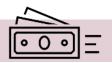




### **CRDP Long-term Benefits**



#### Lifetime CDEP benefits



#### Increased earnings from sustained mental health improvements

What does this mean?

We calculated the expected value of improved life-time earnings

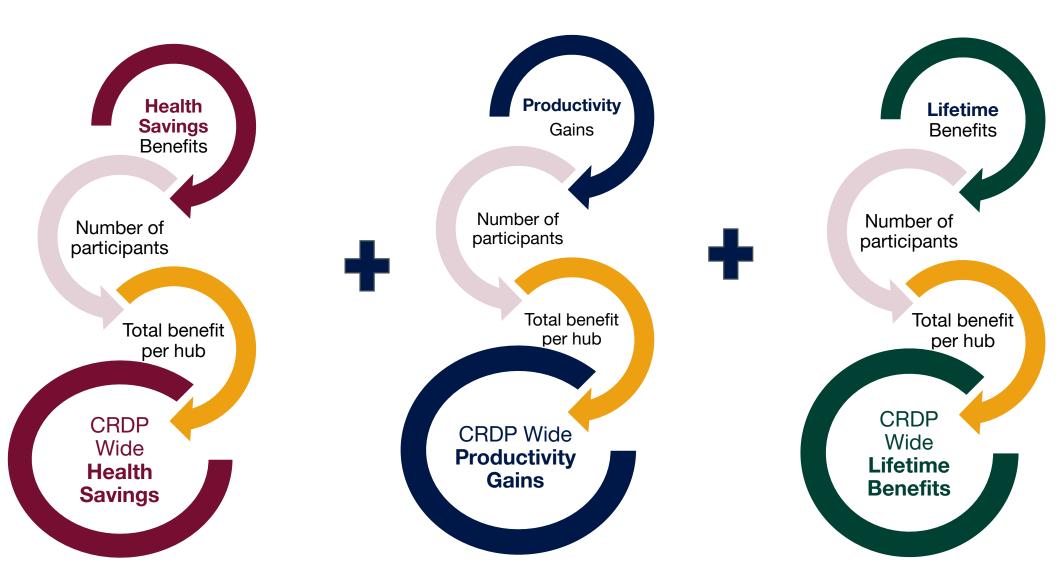
#### For example, for hub A:

- The estimated average gain in earnings (from better mental health) is
   \$1,840/year for adult participants
  - A typical worker has an estimated retirement age of 65 years
  - The average age of participants in hub A is 37 years of age
- We calculated long-term of annual gains for 28 years (65-37)



### CRDP: Adding All Up







#### Valuation of Net Benefits

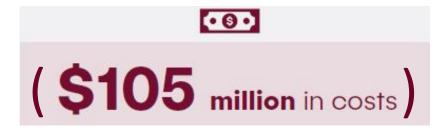


## **Net Estimated Long-Term Societal Benefits**

**Estimated benefits** 

Estimated direct and indirect costs









## Return on Investment (ROI)





= (Benefit-Cost) / Cost

CRDP ROI = 4.32 to 5.67

Sensitivity Analysis: including youth costs and benefits shows higher net benefits but same ROI

For every dollar spent, CRDP is expected to deliver \$4.3 to \$5.67 in long term cost-savings

#### These savings are related to:

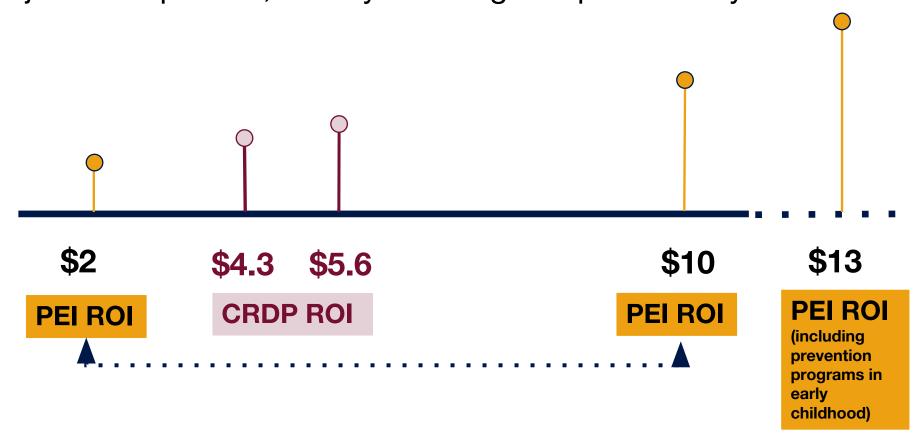
- Better mental health experienced by CDEP participants
  - Fewer health-related costs (e.g., medical visits, medication, etc.)
  - Fewer days missed at work (i.e., higher productivity)
  - During and after CDEP participation



#### **ROI for CRDP**



For <u>every dollar invested in PEI, society saves \$2 to \$10</u> in health care costs, criminal justice expenses, and by avoiding lost productivity\*



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