# **Middlesex County, CT Community Care Team**

A Hospital - Community **Partner Initiative for the At-Risk Behavioral Health Population** in Middlesex County, CT

#### Facts at a Glance - June 2015

**About CCT**: The Middlesex County Community Care Team (CCT) is comprised of 13 community agencies that specialize in the delivery of care for patients experiencing substance abuse and mental health disorders.

- Middlesex Hospital
- **River Valley Services**
- Connecticut Valley Hospital (Merritt Hall)
- St. Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen
- Community Health Center
- Gilead Community Services, Inc.
- Advanced Behavioral Health
- Rushford Center, Inc.
- The Connection, Inc.
- **Mercy Housing**
- **Columbus House**
- Value Options, Connecticut
- Community Health Network

**CCT Objective:** To provide patient-centered care and to improve health outcomes by developing and implementing a safety-net of alternative services through multi-agency intervention and care planning.

**CCT Target Population:** High-risk patients experiencing acute and chronic mental health issues and/or substance abuse and have high emergency department utilization. Common experiences include:

- disjointed care/lack of care coordination
- lack of a social support network
- homelessness/housing issues
- poor primary care connections
- other social determinants of health

**CCT Process:** Development of individualized care plans of wrap-around services that best meet the needs of the specific patient.

Patient Demographics: For a cohort of 195 patients:

### Age Distribution:

- **20 29: 11%**
- 30 39: 16%
- 40 49: 25%
- 50 59: 34%
- 60 69: 13%
- 70 79: 1%

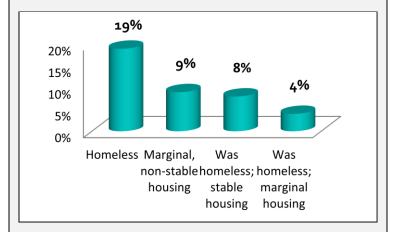
## **Payor Status:**

- Medicaid: 54%
- Medicare: 40%
- Commercial: 4%
- Self-pay no insurance: 2%

# Gender:

- Male: 64%
- Female: 35%
- Transgender: 1%

**Housing:** 40% of the CCT case load experiences homelessness/fragile housing



# **Outcomes:**

- 1,142 reduction in emergency department and inpatient visits (pre-/post-); cost reduction
- Improved quality of life (sobriety; mental health stabilization; reduced homelessness; re-entry to workforce)
- Linkages to: primary care physicians, psychiatrists, specialists; supportive housing; appropriate outpatient services

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