TASC
Making a Difference Across Illinois

BOOSTING TREATMENT SUCCESS & VALUE
People referred to substance use treatment by the justice system (courts, probation, parole) are significantly more likely to complete it when they also receive TASC specialized case management. This includes placement into appropriate treatment, ongoing client advocacy, reporting back to the referral source, and other services that support recovery and community re-engagement.

REPRESENTATIVE TREATMENT COMPLETION RATES: Greater success with TASC specialized case management

- People referred to treatment by IL justice systems
- Justice system-referred treatment participants also receiving TASC specialized case management

Treatment completion rates: CY2020 data from the IL Treatment Episode Data Set (TEDS) and TASC

REDUCING RECIDIVISM
82% of youth referred to services by juvenile probation had no subsequent court involvement
In Lurie Children’s Juvenile Justice Collaborative (JJC), 4 out of 5 arrested youth who were assessed/referred to services by TASC and completed the program had no court involvement 7 months following discharge.

52% lower re-arrest rates among youth in child welfare
Children in TASC’s Family Recovery and Reunification Program whose substance-involved parents were referred by child welfare to our case managers had 52% lower re-arrest rates than those in a control group.

71% decline in re-arrests for court/probation clients
Adults in TASC’s court and probation programs showed a 71% reduction in re-arrests for drug and property crimes two years after program enrollment.

44% reduced likelihood of return to prison
Men in Illinois prisons who completed drug treatment and reentry support—including TASC case management—had a 44% lower likelihood of returning to prison within 7 years than comparable releasees.

TASC (Treatment Alternatives for Safe Communities) advances health and justice, increases public safety, and saves taxpayer dollars by diverting eligible individuals out of costly public systems and into substance use treatment and other services in the community. Our array of services includes screening, assessment, client advocacy, linkage to care, treatment, recovery support, and TASC specialized case management. We support clients and achieve success in collaboration with many community-based service providers, attorneys, courts, jails, prisons, probation, parole, child welfare, and several state agencies.

In FY23, TASC reached 26,517 individuals and families, including in-depth services for 13,415 people to help achieve health and well-being. Additionally, 13,102 individuals received screening, assessment, and benefits assistance that help inform decision-making related to service needs and next steps.

$ SAVING MONEY
TASC + TREATMENT COST LESS THAN PRISON

Average Per Capita Cost

- TASC and community-based substance use treatment
- Prison—Annual marginal cost (per additional person)
- Prison—1 year, excluding costs outside IDOC budget
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REUNIFYING FAMILIES
5 months sooner: Reunified families in child welfare
Participants in the Family Recovery and Reunification Program receiving TASC case management experienced family reunification, on average, 5 months sooner than those in a control group. Additionally, it increased the likelihood of reunification within 3 years by 31%.

Eliminated racial disparities in family reunification
The Family Recovery and Reunification Program was found to eliminate racial disparities in reunification that persisted in the control group.

ADVANCING HEALTH & JUSTICE IN FY23
4,811 children, parents, and families served
TASC provides case management or care coordination for children, parents, and families to support health and self-sufficiency in the community. We also provide substance use treatment to adults and work with youth to reduce future involvement in the justice system.

4,550 served in alternative-to-incarceration programs
TASC’s statewide alternative-to-incarceration program and our work in deferred prosecution and problem-solving courts helps divert adults with substance use disorders from incarceration into community treatment.

4,054 served in jail/prison reentry programs
Through programs in Cook and Lake county jails, and statewide with Illinois prisons, TASC links adults to community services and resources in preparation for and/or upon release from custody.

200 served in housing programs
Through programs including All Chicago Housing, Illinois Justice Project Housing, and Permanent Supportive Housing, TASC helps individuals secure long-term, stable housing.

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