

## April 2021 MONTHLY HAPPENINGS

### SCDDO

Total Individuals Eligible	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2021	2595	2602	2613	2616									2607
2020	2598	2593	2598	2600	2599	2605	2611	2606	2606	2599	2605	2604	2602
2019	2534	2530	2540	2549	2543	2547	2554	2562	2564	2573	2571	2588	2558
Individuals Waiting for Services	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2021	1003	1005	1018	1017									1011
2020	994	989	983	985	985	991	1001	994	991	993	996	1001	992
2019	935	932	946	955	946	952	954	958	955	967	968	978	954
Options Counseling Transactions	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2021	48	39	57	34									44
2020	181	93	235	68	44	54	55	71	43	43	31	34	79
2019	36	83	66	74	60	52	68	60	66	74	58	85	65
Intakes Completed	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2021	5	5	5	3									5
2020	8	10	11	2	2	2	1	4	3	6	1	5	5
2019	11	7	11	9	15	4	4	8	8	11	10	3	8
Functional Assessments Completed	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2021	147	147	154	147									149
2020	168	167	138	151	144	170	146	168	152	177	148	148	156
2019	164	138	155	148	136	162	169	162	174	162	160	156	157

- During the month of April, Sedgwick County Developmental Disability Organization (SCDDO) Quality Assurance Staff completed 2 day program and 10 residential program visits.
- April 2<sup>nd</sup> was the final day for the SCDDO sponsored COVID vaccination clinics. We partnered with Heartland Homecare, a closed door pharmacy specializing in serving individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities (IDD). ResCare was a gracious host site for the clinic which served individuals with IDD, their family and/or staff. A total of 114 individuals were vaccinated that day.
- International Autism Awareness Day was April 2<sup>nd</sup>. The following was shared via social media: “According to the World Health Organization, 1 in every 150 children has an Autism Spectrum Disorder worldwide. The Sedgwick County Developmental Disability Organization invites you to celebrate International Autism Awareness Day by:
  - Shopping at Autism Avenue; a gift shop that also serves as an employment training ground for individuals with Autism.
  - Grabbing a drink at MOXI Junction; a coffee shop that employs individuals with intellectual/developmental disabilities.”
- In April Contract negotiations with the Kansas Department on Aging and Disability Services (KDADS) for the annual participating CDDO contract began. Dee Nighswonger, SCDDO Directors, and Sherry Arbuckle, Service Access and Operations Director, serve on the contract negotiation committee. Some of the issues to be resolved include: 1) clarifying the population served which includes all individuals eligible for the IDD system, 2) discussing the parties to the contract and how the CDDO’s interact with all five KDADS commissions but they are not all involved with the contract negotiations, 3) improvements needed to communication and sharing/use of information and data, 4) providing full reimbursement and funding to support CDDO activities and 5) exploiting technology to improve system efficiency.

- Work continues to further develop the DSP workforce development pipeline program. In April, HR professionals from Community Service Provider organizations from Sedgwick County and the InterHab membership were invited to participate in a T-Profile exercise facilitated by Naomi Boyer. The exercise helped develop the technical and 21<sup>st</sup> Century skill competencies desired in a Direct Support Professional. This is an important step in further developing the foundations for establishing a DSP Competency Framework to professionals the field.
- Jeannette Livingston, SCDDO Assistant Director, is participating on the Sedgwick County Health Equity Action Team (HEAT) to represent individuals with IDD as an underserved or vulnerable population. HEAT is working on identifying and implementing strategies for ensuring that COVID-19 testing reaches the people in our county who are underserved and have been historically excluded from community health efforts.