

April 2019 MONTHLY HAPPENINGS

SCDDO

Total Individuals Eligible	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2019	2534	2530	2540	2549									2538
2018	2525	2514	2517	2520	2523	2529	2543	2543	2544	2532	2533	2535	2530
2017	2566	2565	2559	2542	2543	2544	2547	2553	2556	2556	2516	2520	2547
Individuals Waiting for Services	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2019	935	932	946	955									942
2018	949	916	919	924	918	866	904	928	930	932	937	936	922
2017	984	980	970	932	934	902	906	978	981	958	937	942	950
Options Counseling Transactions	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2019	36	83	66	74									65
2018	106	70	65	70	60	99	94	53	56	73	39	39	69
2017	48	36	72	53	70	80	48	77	62	107	95	101	71
Intakes Completed	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2019	11	7	11	9									10
2018	16	9	10	9	7	8	11	17	8	10	10	6	10
2017	6	6	11	7	12	7	13	13	11	13	11	13	10
Functional Assessments Completed	JAN	FEB	MAR	APR	MAY	JUN	JULY	AUG	SEPT	OCT	NOV	DEC	AVG
2019	164	138	155	148									151
2018	163	135	154	148	168	149	150	163	163	166	165	162	157
2017	220	150	193	223	174	186	207	207	216	226	179	198	198

- During the month of April, Sedgwick County Developmental Disability Organization (SCDDO) Quality Assurance Staff completed 7 day and 11 residential program visits.
- KDADS conducted a peer review of the SCDDO April 10th. Peer reviews are performance reviews conducted by the State of Kansas biennially to ensure CDDO's are performing all the duties and activities required by regulations. Feedback from KDADS included glowing remarks about the SCDDO quality assurance program which the report indicated should be considered a best practice model. SCDDO also received commendation for its organization of review materials, state aid application packet and timely data entry among others items. The SCDDO did receive two findings that require corrective action. One finding related to the copy of the rights and responsibilities document shared with individuals residing in intermediate care facilities; and the other finding related to the quorum language for the Sedgwick County Community Council. Both issues will be immediately addressed.
- The Sedgwick County Board of Commissioners recognized the graduating class of Project SEARCH interns at their April 17th meeting. Project SEARCH is a collaboration between Sedgwick County and Wichita Public Schools designed to provide students with intellectual or developmental disabilities (IDD) real world work experience to prepare them for employment upon graduation. Sedgwick County started the school year with ten interns but three started employment prior to graduation. Video of the graduation ceremony is available on the Sedgwick County Website at: http://sedgwick.granicus.com/player/clip/3840?view_id=34 item M. This year, among all the Project SEARCH sites located within the Sedgwick County region, students achieved a 40% employment rate prior to graduation.
- Advocates in the Community of South Central Kansas (ACT) hosted a legislative luncheon April 18th. Legislators in attendance heard about the capacity challenges facing the IDD system from several speakers, including

Jeannette Livingston the SCDDO Assistant Director. While providers are grateful for the recent rate increases, direct support staff pay remains low and turnover high. The clear message was that any conversations about eliminating the waitlist for services must first address system capacity.

- The April Community Council meeting focused on resources and supports for individuals with IDD as they graduate from high school. Megan Todd with GoodLife spoke about their use of technology to form neighborhood networks to foster independence for individuals with IDD. Tracie Davis with Vocational Rehabilitation discussed the pre-employment transition services offered during and after graduation from high school. Tina Collins and Sara Gilchrist provided information on Friends University's Friendship Fields program for individuals with IDD to experience college. Additionally, information was available on other home and community based services available through the SCDDO affiliate network.
- SCDDO Director & Director of Quality Assurance attended a Rainbows United Mission Advocacy Meeting, along with representatives from InterHab, to discuss conflict free case management and potential changes that could impact the work of Rainbows United and/or community capacity for targeted case management.