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**RECOVERY-ORIENTED SYSTEMS OF CARE: THE U.S. EXAMPLE
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Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care: The U.S. Example

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*“Building resilience... Facilitating recovery... A life in
the community for everyone”*



Making the hope of recovery a reality...

Today's Topics

- Continuum of Care Framework
- Recovery Defined
- Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care
- Program Example #1: Access to Recovery
- Program Example #2: Recovery Community Services Program
- Conclusions

Continuum of Care

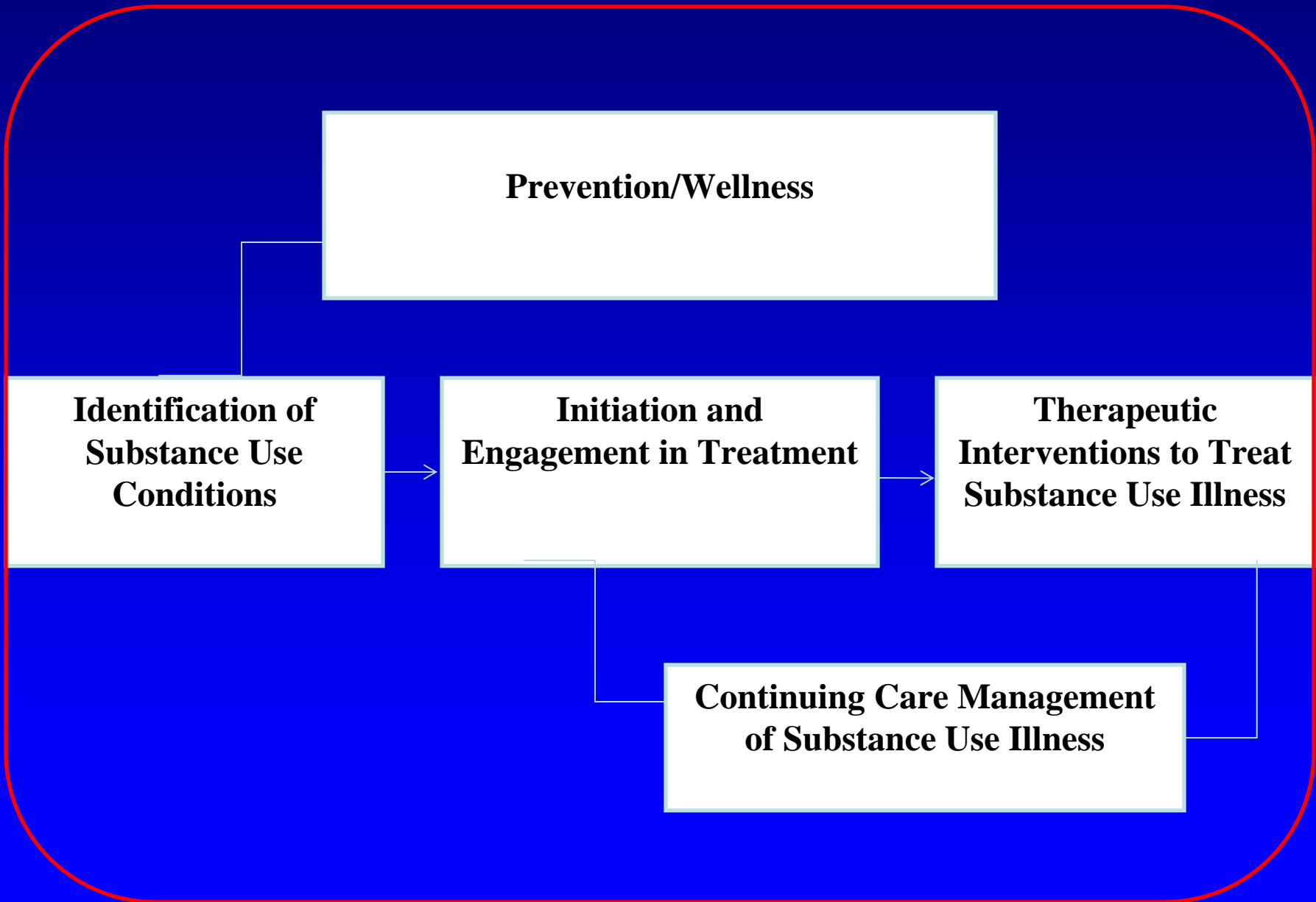
Prevention/Wellness

**Identification of
Substance Use
Conditions**

**Initiation and
Engagement in Treatment**

**Therapeutic
Interventions to Treat
Substance Use Illness**

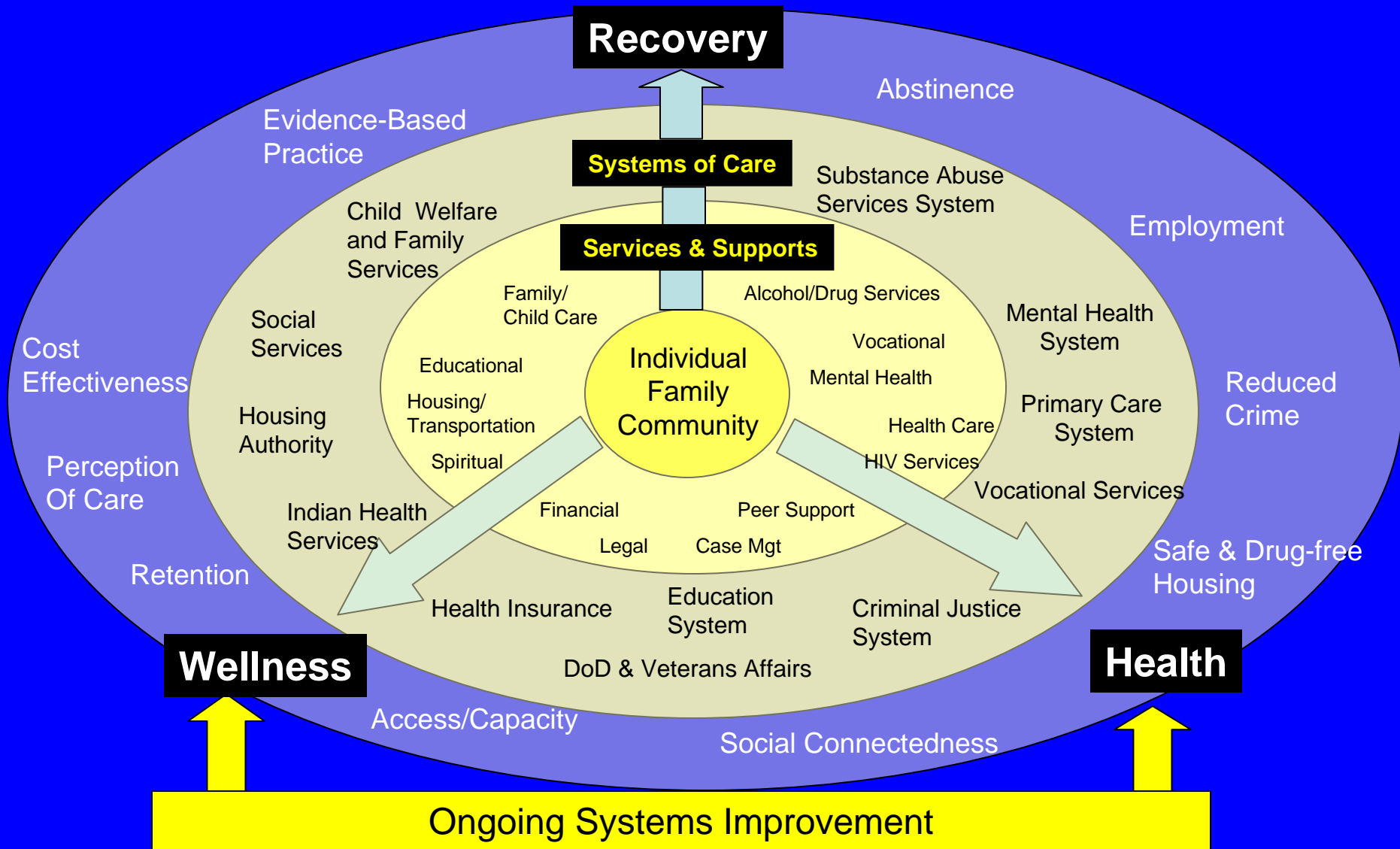
**Continuing Care Management
of Substance Use Illness**



What is Recovery?

Recovery from alcohol and drug problems is a process of change through which an individual achieves abstinence and improved health, wellness and quality of life.

Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care





ACCESS TO
RECOVERY

Program Objectives

- Increase available treatment and recovery support services (including faith-based)
- Expand access to these services
- Provide client choice through use of electronic “vouchers”

Historical Overview

- Began in 2004 as a “Presidential Initiative”
- \$300 million over 3 years.
- 2004: Grants awarded to 14 U.S. States and 1 Tribal Organization.
- 2007: Grants awarded to 19 States and 5 Tribal Organizations.

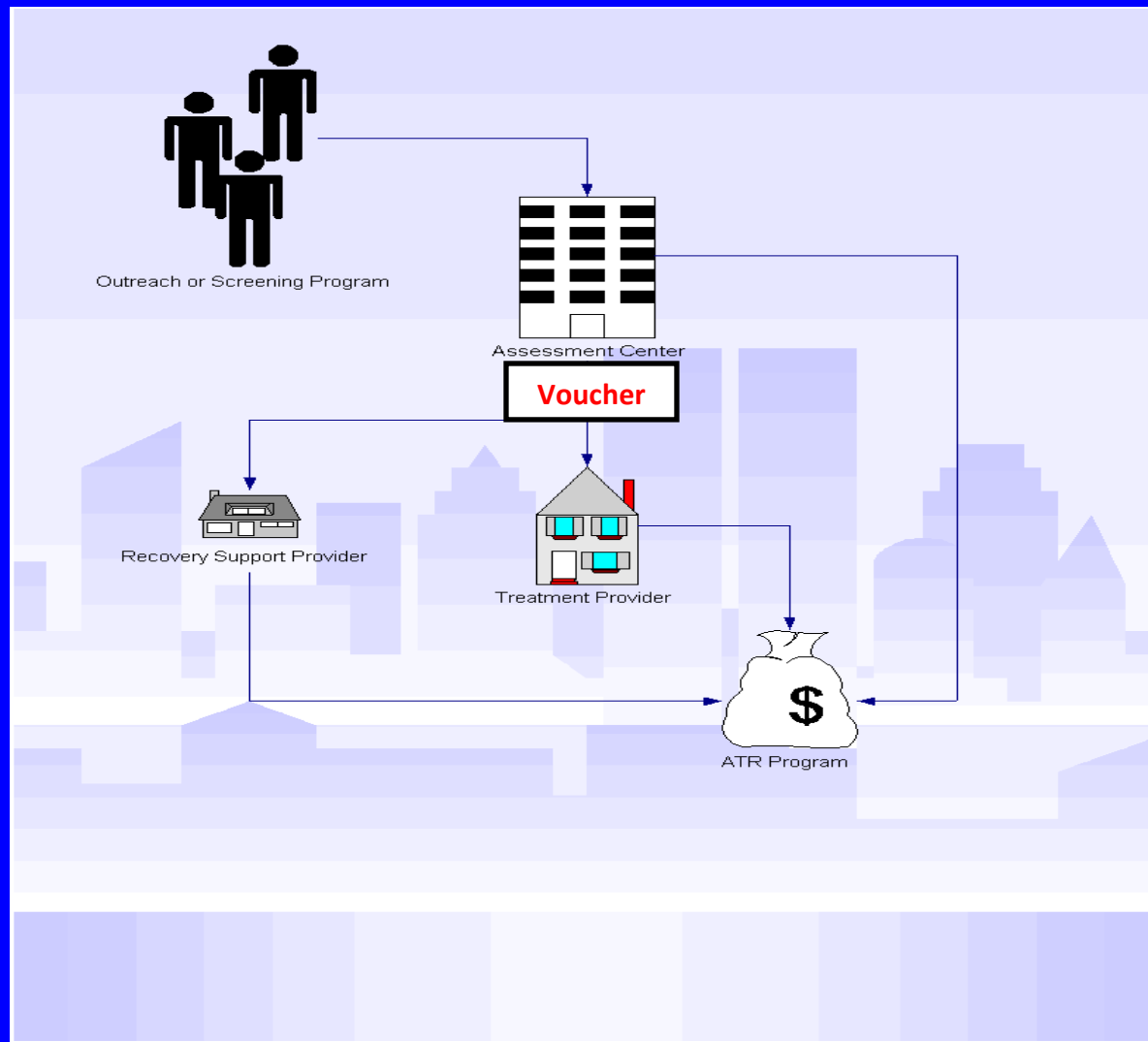
Maintaining Quality Standards Among Providers

All service providers are required to adhere to standards established by the State or Tribal Organization

The Role of Faith-based Community Organizations

- Expand service choice for clients who desire a more spiritual approach to their recovery.
- Trustworthy source of services.

Electronic Voucher System



Examples of Voucher-Covered Services

Clinical Treatment

- Screening
- Brief intervention
- Treatment planning
- Group counseling
- Case management
- Pharmacological interventions
- HIV counseling
- Co-occurring treatment

Recovery Support Services

- Employment coaching
- 12-step groups
- Recovery coaching
- Traditional healing
- Transportation
- Peer support
- Spiritual support
- Family services
- Sober housing

Advantages of An Electronic Voucher System

- Reduce paperwork.
- Improve referral process for clients.
- Enhance data collection on client outcomes.
- Increase accountability by tracking clients through the system.

What's on an Issued Voucher?

- Client Identification
- Service Type
- Provider Identification
- Not To Exceed (NTE) Amount
- Date Voucher Issued
- Date Voucher Expires

What's on a Redeemed Voucher?

- Provider
- Actual Services Delivered
- Actual Dates of Service
- Actual Reimbursement Claim
- Signatures

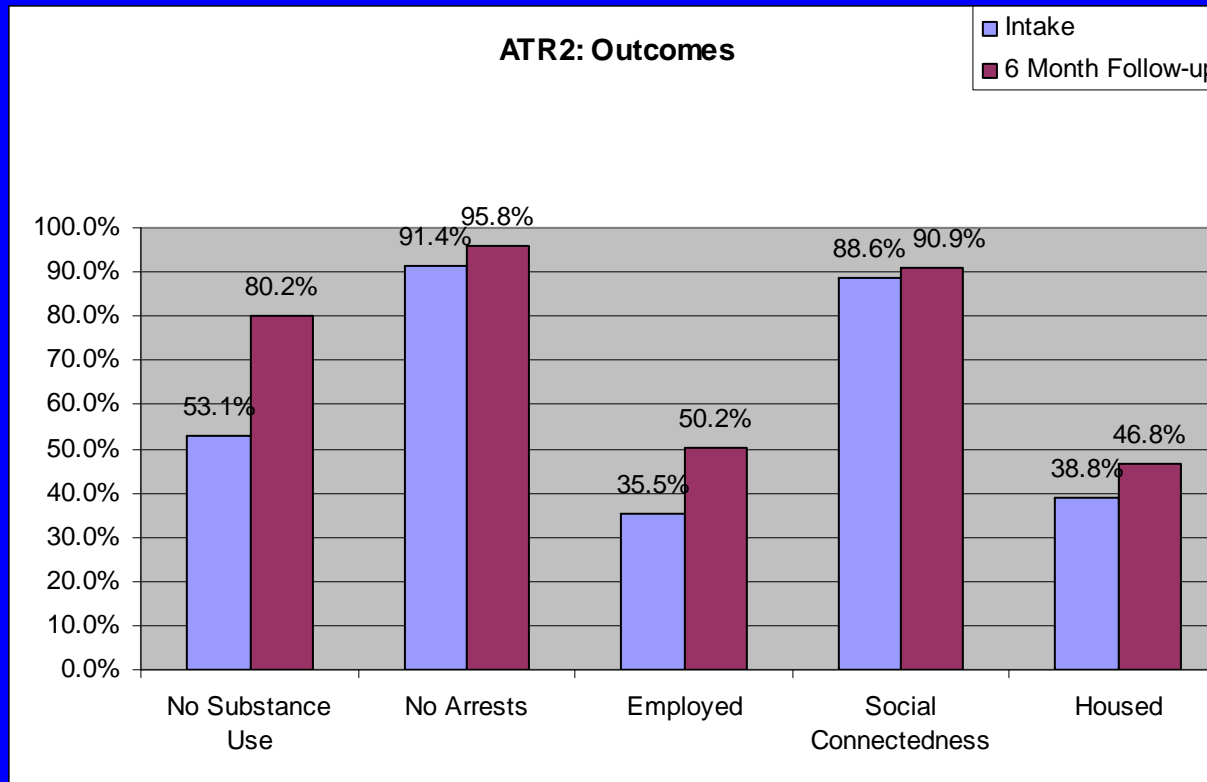
Data Collection

- Financial Information
- Service Performance
- Client Outcomes

National Outcome Measures

- Abstinence from Substance Use
- Criminal or Juvenile Justice Involvement
- Employment/Education
- Social Support of Recovery
- Living Conditions (housing)

Outcomes



- Clients reporting no substance use increased 51.1%
- Clients reporting no arrests increased 4.8%
- Clients reporting being employed increased 41.6%
- Clients reporting being socially connected increased 2.5%
- Clients reporting being housed increased 20.4%

Services and Voucher Data

- 89% of clients received Recovery Support Services
- 48% of funds redeemed for Recovery Support Services.
- 29% of dollars paid have been to faith-based organization.
- Faith-based organizations account for 32% of Recovery Support and 29% of Clinical Treatment providers.

Technical Assistance Provided

- Billing and documentation
- Business practices and procedures
- Reimbursement processes
- Working with substance abusing clients
- Data collection and other reporting requirements

Recovery Community Services Program

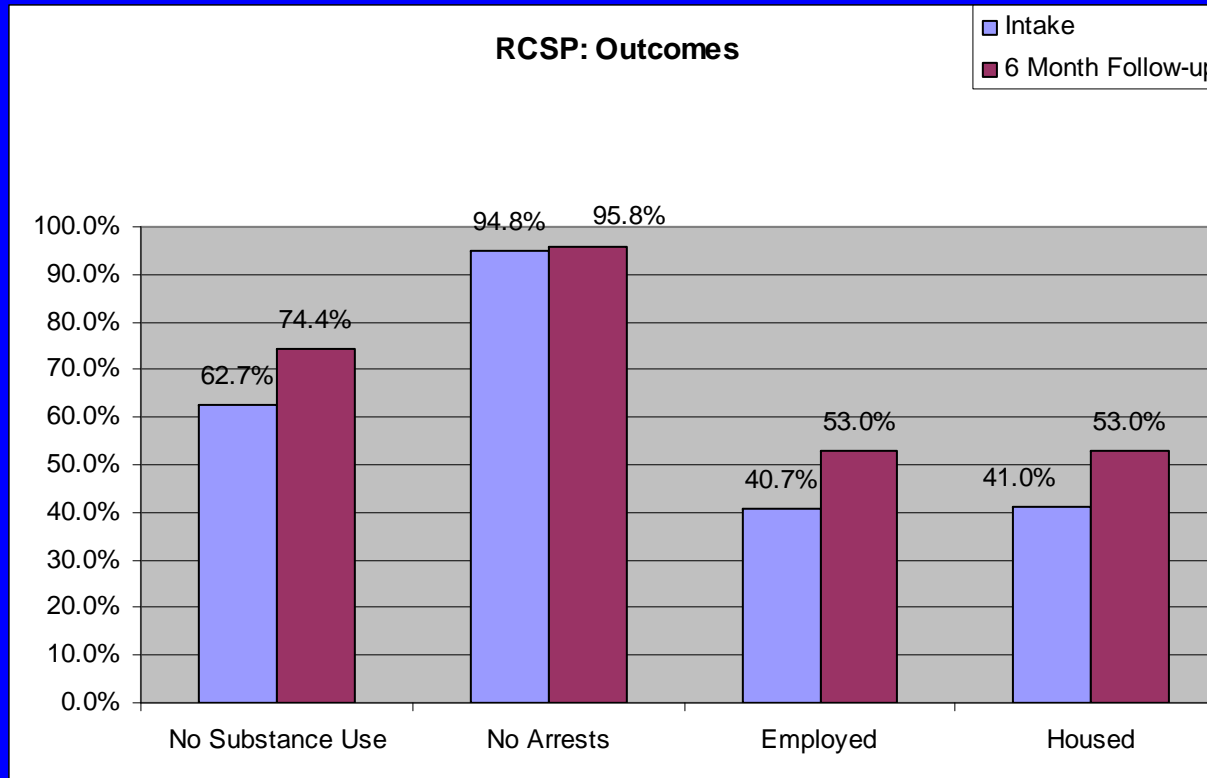
Program Objectives

- People in recovery providing support services to prevent relapse and sustain recovery.
- Promote a sense of self-worth, links to social supports, and quality of life.
- Tailored to local needs identified by community members.

Services Offered

- Peer-led recovery support groups and meetings.
- Recovery “mentoring”.
- Case management, information, and referral.
- Recovery education programs.
- Alcohol- and drug-free social and recreational activities.

Outcomes



- Clients reporting no substance use increased 18.6%
- Clients reporting no arrests increased 1.1%
- Clients reporting being employed increased 30.0%
- Clients reporting being housed increased 29.3%

Recovery-Oriented Systems of Care: Conclusions

- Person-Centered
- Continuum of Care
- Culturally Responsive
- Integrated Services
- Outcomes Driven
- Evidence-Based
- Adequately and Flexibly Financed



Thank You!

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