



Child Protective Services, Specialized Treatment and Recovery Services (STARS) and Collaborative Drug Courts

Role in Fighting the Methamphetamine Epidemic in Sacramento County

Children affected by parental Substance use

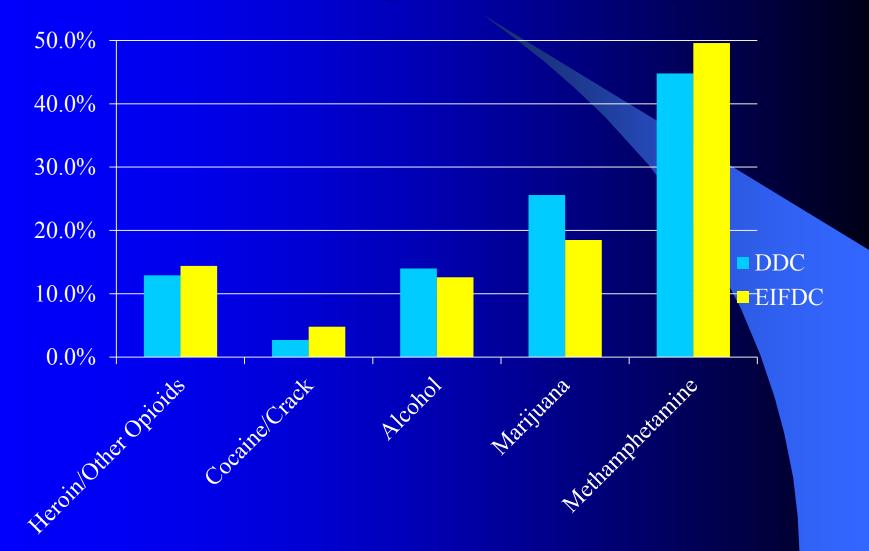
20,513 Children Referred to CPS

4,393 Children with Substaniated Allegations (21.4%)

3,075 Children with Substantiated Allegations associated with Substance Use (est. 70.0%)

> 971 Children Entered FDC (31.6%)

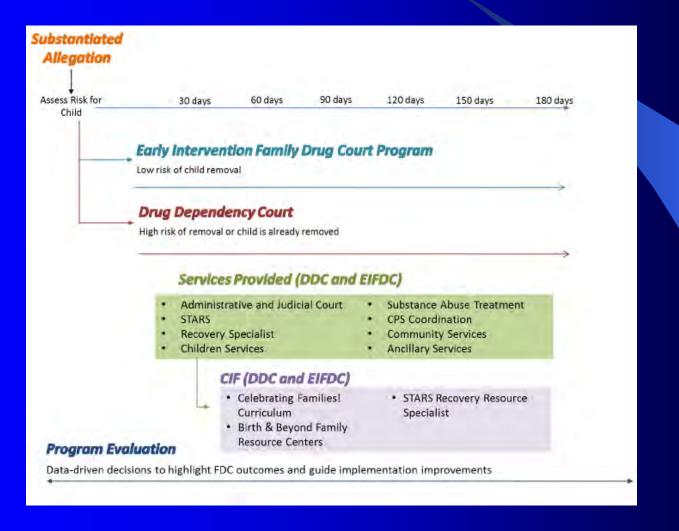
Percentage by Primary Substance for parents participating in Family Drug Courts



Pre-2001

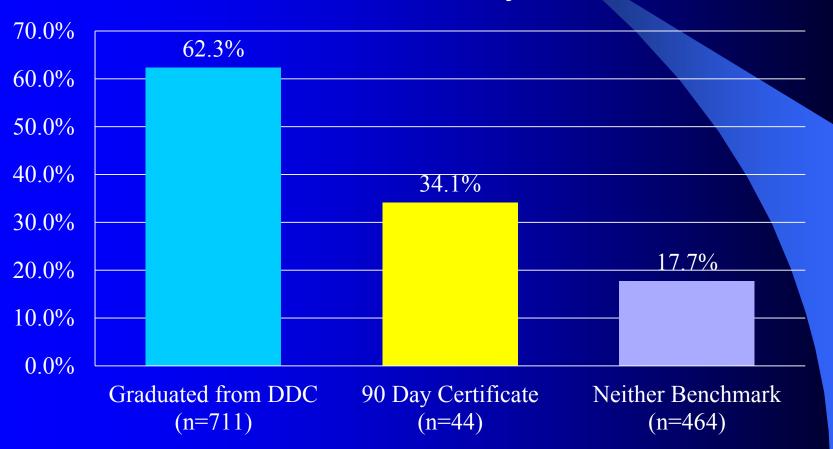
- Reunification rate about 18%
- Parents unable to access substance abuse treatment consistently
- Social workers, attorneys, courts often uninformed on parent progress
- Drug testing not uniform and results often delayed

Sacramento County Family Drug Court Components



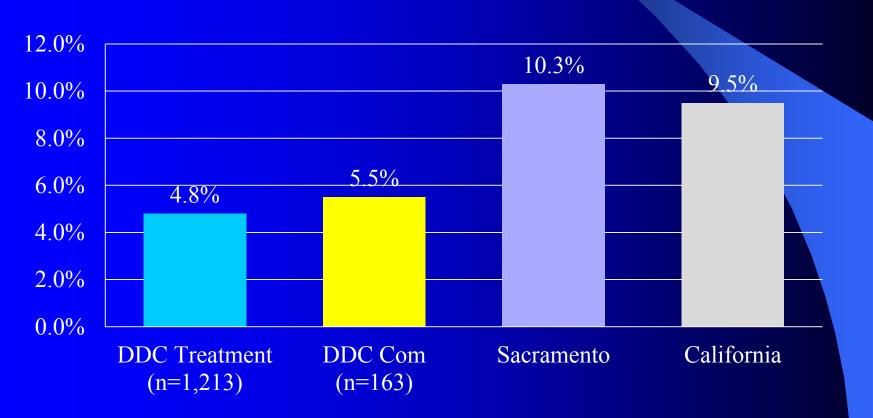
Dependency Drug Court

Reunification Rates by Parent Participation in DDC 12 Months Post Project Start



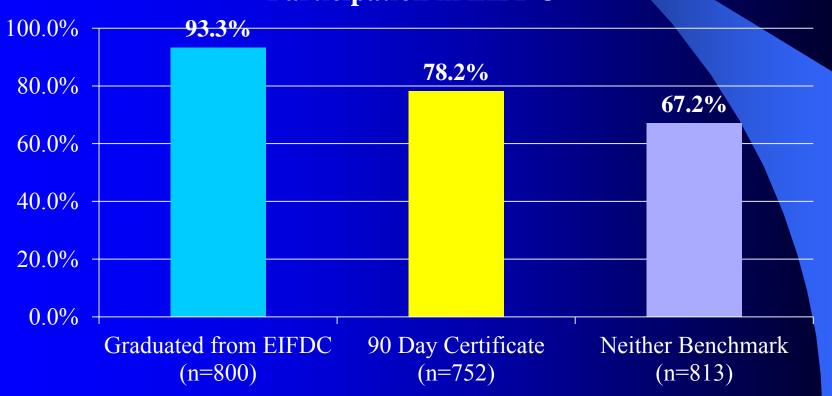
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DDC Reoccurrence Rates of Maltreatment



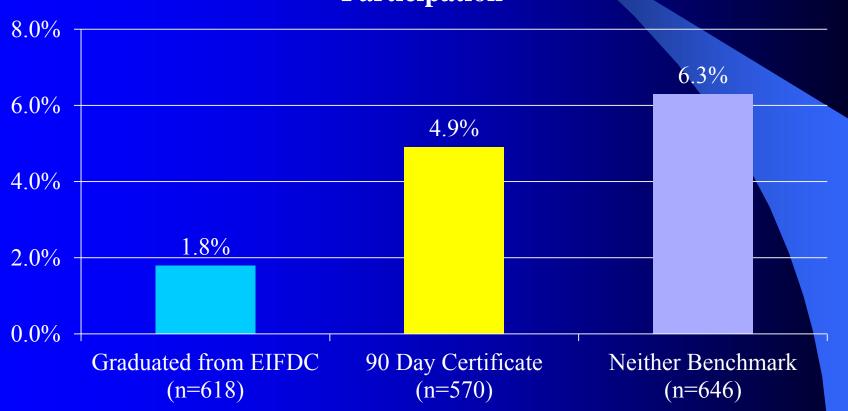
Early Intervention Family Drug Court (EIFDC)

Children Remaining at Home by Parent Participation in EIFDC



EIFDC cont.

Reoccurrence of Maltreatment by Parent Participation



STARS Program

- STARS was created in June 2001 to improve reunification rates in Sacramento County
- We provide AOD case management to clients involved with Child Protective Services
- Collaboration with ADS, Courts and Child Welfare is the KEY!

HOW DOES STARS WORK?

- What STARS does to assist Parents/CPS
- Reunification rates at 47%
- 71% for those parents graduating DDC/EIFDC
- Reunification is occurring faster
- All parties involved in the case are informed at every stage of treatment
- All parents receive random observed "instant" drug testing
- "DANCE" With our clients Not "Wrestle"

STARS and Methamphetamine

- Methamphetamine Initiative Report Collaboration
- How we assist parents in the process of recovery from Methamphetamine and it's <u>particular</u> challenges:
 - Treatment engagement and retention
 - Anhedonia
 - Belonging
 - Moving towards something instead of "scaring away"
 - Oral Swabs added for additional security/detection
- Recovery Specialists break down trust barriers
- Recovery Specialists can spot deception/manipulation and confront it from a non-threatening angle

Take Home

- Methamphetamine Prevalence Increasing
- Continued Work to Tailor Treatment
- EIFDC Expansion
- Human COST
- Human TRIUMPHS
- Continued Collaboration