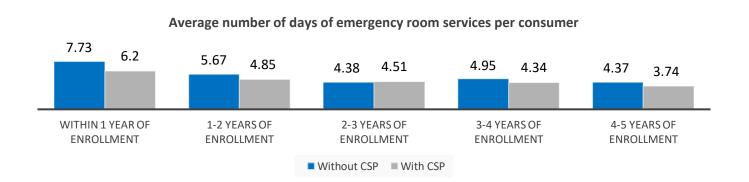
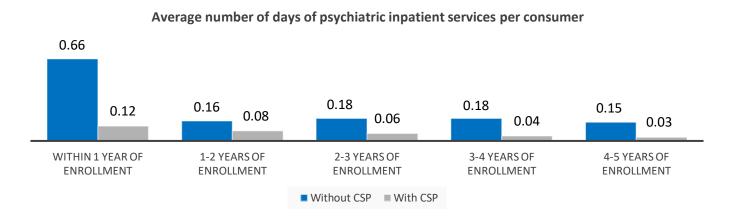
Positive Impact of Community Support Programs

No other community service meets the needs of people with severe and persistent mental illness like Community Support Programs (CSP). That's the finding of a recent analysis of Medicaid claims billed for people who were identified as having intensive treatment needs on the Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Functional Screen and who had an enrollment date in either CSP or a Comprehensive Community Services (CCS) program between 2014 and 2019. The use of acute services by CCS consumers with intensive needs who reside in counties with CSP was compared to that by similar consumers who reside in counties without CSP. There is a correlation between counties without CSP and a greater use of emergency and inpatient services which impact a consumer's quality of life and carry significant fiscal impact.

Consumers without access to CSP experienced: 15% more emergency room visits over five years



286% more psychiatric inpatient stays over five years



34% greater associated Medicaid costs

Average amount per consumer billed to Medicaid for emergency room and psychiatric inpatient services during first five years of enrollment

