

Guam's Early Childhood System of Care

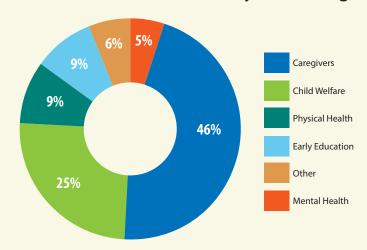
EVALUATION REPORT: December 2014

WHO IS BEING HELPED?

253 children have been referred, screened, and assessed

- Mostly boys (62%); girls (38%)
- Average age is 3.5 years
- 76% are of Chamorro descent

46% of Children are Referred by their Caregivers



Children's 5 Most Common Challenges	Percentage
Developmental Disability	28%
Maltreatment	27%
Adjustment	25%
Disruptive Behaviors	25%
Caregiver's Mental Health	18%

^{*}Children may have more than one challenge so percentages total to more than 100%.

Many Families Face Multiple Challenges

- Health problems in family, divorce, deployment
- Legal, economic, housing, inadequate support
- Depression, substance abuse, domestic violence





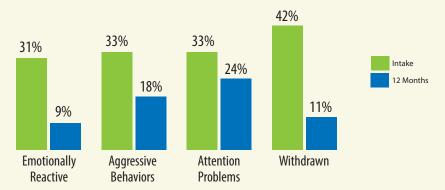




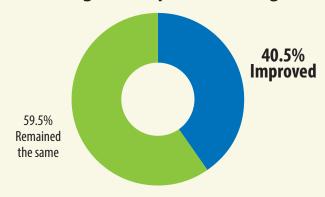
HOW IS PROJECT KARIÑU HELPING?

Children and families enrolled in Project Kariñu continue to show improvement. Children are showing fewer serious behavior problems, caregivers reported less stress related to raising their child, and families feel positive about the services they received.

Fewer Children Show Serious Problems



40.5% of Caregivers Reported Feeling Less Stress



Caregiver Perspectives on Services	% Reporting Positively
Cultural Sensitivity	96.4%
Social Connectedness	85.7%
Participation in Treatment	82.1%
Access to Services	78.6%
Satisfaction with Services	78.6%
Outcome	75.0%
Functioning	75.0%

Family Support Activities

20 family support activities were offered in 2014

- 7 New Family Orientations
- 5 Play Days/Respite Care
- 5 Peer Family Support Groups
- 3 Parent Cafés

Families Share Their Experiences About:



Play Days/Respite Care

"I liked that the kids had a chance to do something fun outside our home."

"It gave my child a chance to interact with other children."



Peer Family Support Groups

"I always enjoy attending these meetings. The staff is wonderful!"



Parent Cafés

"This was an outstanding experience for me as a single mother. To be able to strengthen me in all areas of my life."

"This is an amazing experience. It was very helpful and made me feel better knowing that there are people you can reach out to for help..."





