



Conclusions and Recommendations

Maine Adult Drug Treatment Court
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Treatment Courts enhance public safety and improve lives at no additional cost to taxpayers

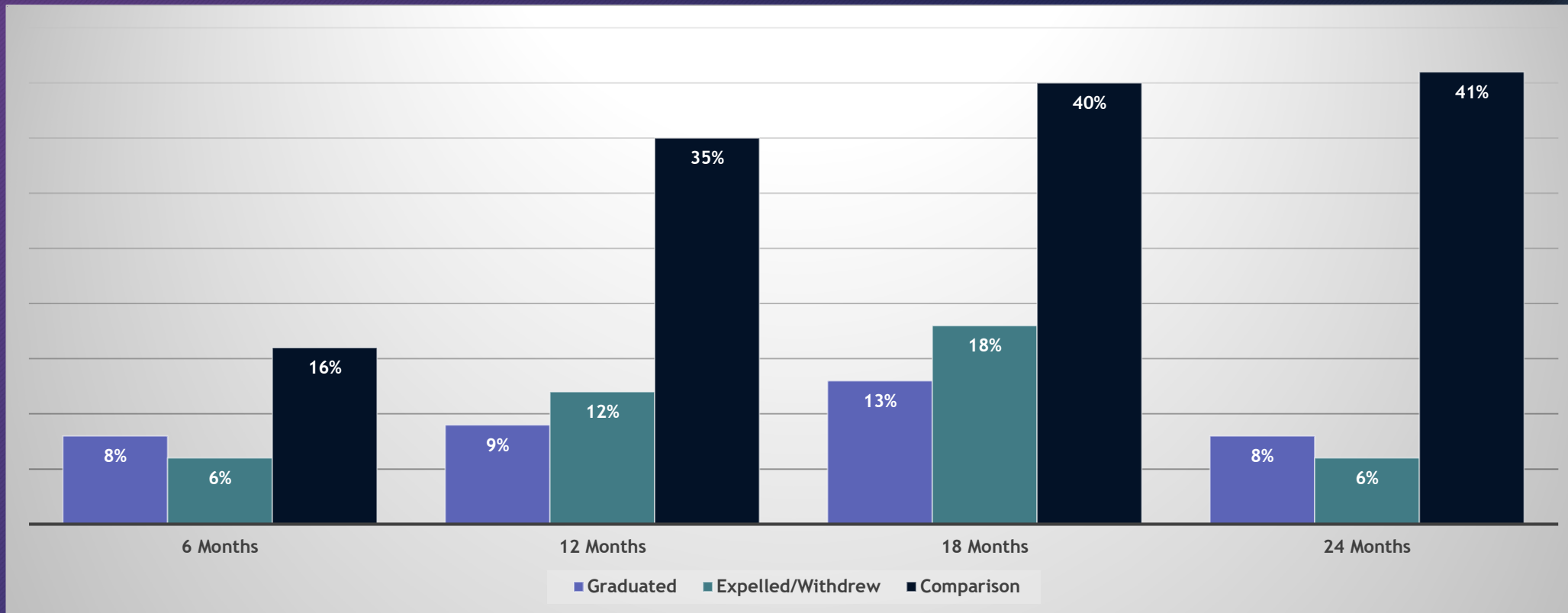
Major Conclusion

How do we know?

Reduced recidivism
Fewer mortalities
Participant testimony
Cost benefit analysis

Reduced recidivism

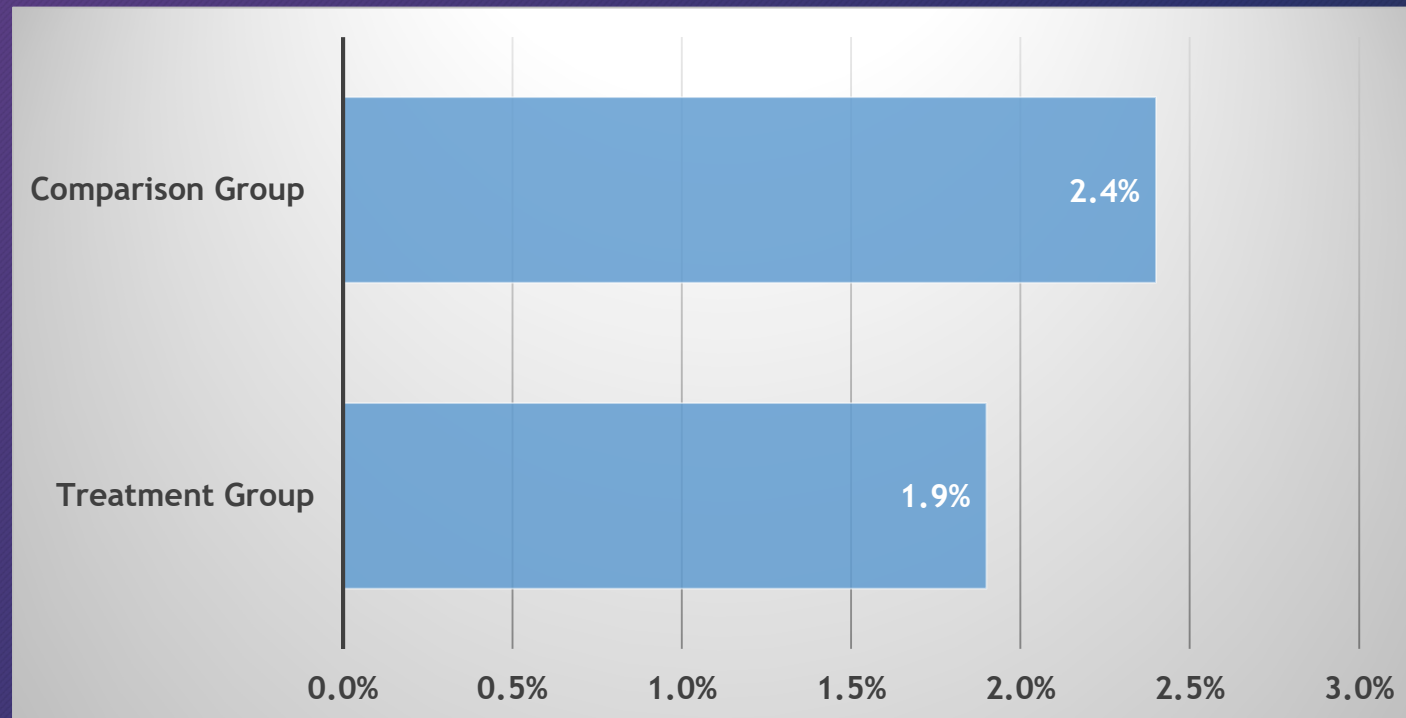
Conviction Recidivism of Treatment and Comparison Groups After Release: 2016-2019



Conviction rates fairly comparable regardless of exit type; both superior to comparison group.

How do we know?
Fewer mortalities

Rates of Death due to Drug Overdose: 2015-2019



Comparison group greater but not at statistically significant level.

How do we know?
Cost effectiveness

Cost Components per Person and Episode

Treatment

- Case Management
- Treatment
- Judicial
- Jail
- Prison
- Probation

\$10,964

\$27,229

Comparison

- Jail
- Prison
- Probation

\$43,461

Things to Work On

Structural and Managerial
Court Processes and Treatment Team
Community Relations

Structural and Management cont'd

5. Create **new ADTCs** in judicial Regions VI and VIII.
(Judicial Branch)

Region VI: Knox Superior Court, Rockland District Court, Lincoln Superior Court, Wiscasset District Court, Sagadahoc Superior Court, West Bath District Court, Waldo Superior Court, Belfast District Court

Region VIII: Aroostook Superior Court, Caribou District Court, Fort Kent District Court, Houlton District Court, Madawaska District Court, Presque Isle District Court

6. Institute activities to **support case managers** in light of the pandemic.
(Maine Pretrial Services)

7. Allocate funds for **transportation to treatment court** if Medicaid cannot pay.
(Office of Behavioral Health)

Court Processes and Treatment Team cont'd

9. Enhance the **availability of prosecutorial** or Assistant District Attorney or AAG time.
(Office of the Attorney General)
10. **Diversify rewards and sanctions.** (Judicial Branch)
11. Enhance **mental health capacity** both on the treatment team and in the provision of services; require **mental health representation** on Treatment Team.
(Office of Behavioral Health, Judicial Branch)

Alternatives becoming Mainstream

- Mental Health Docket
- Diversion programs, pre and post charge
 - Restorative Justice
 - Crisis and Counseling , 6 weeks
 - Penobscot day at “The Barn”
 - Bad Check Program
 - Shoplifting program
 - Community service
 - Substance Use Disorder Treatment

Current Topics

- Decriminalization of Class E, nonviolent “crimes.”
- Missing: Safe places for juveniles to live in the community.

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