



Memorandum

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To: Southern Nevada District Board of Health

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RE: COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTER FQHC OPERATIONS OFFICER REPORT

Division Information/Highlights: The Southern Nevada Community Health Center, a division of the Southern Nevada Health District, mission is to serve residents of Clark County from underserved communities with appropriate and comprehensive outpatient health and wellness services, emphasizing prevention and education in a culturally respectful environment regardless of the patient's ability to pay.

April Highlights:

- **Response to COVID-19**
 - NCS converted into Health Center Vaccination Program in IRS Building
 - Testing Continues in METS building
 - Collecting data from FQHC partners for point of care (POC) testing
- **Administrative**
 - Service Area Competition Grant was awarded for next 3 years.

I. HIV / Ryan White Care Program

- A. The HIV/Medical Case Management (MCM) program received 40 referrals between April 1st through April 30th. There was 1 pediatric client referred to the program this month. The program received 4 referrals for pregnant women living with HIV during this time.
- B. The Ryan White - The Ryan White ambulatory clinic had a total of 328 visits: 27 initial provider visits, 133 established provider visits, 8 tele-visits, 0 audio visits, 23 Nurse visits and 110 lab visits in the month of April.
- C. The Ryan White Clinic continues to implement the Rapid stART project, which has a goal of rapid treatment initiation for newly diagnosed patients with HIV. The program continues to receive referrals and accommodate clients on a walk-in basis.
- D. The Transitional Case Management (TCM) program's education of inmates is currently on hold due to the COVID-19 pandemic. There is on-going case management services for clients already enrolled in the program. The program had 1 referral this month, and who was linked to HIV services.
- E. The Ryan White program Mental health APRN continues to serve clients and provide screening for mental health issues. 25 clients were serviced this month.



- F. Eligibility staff attended the virtual Liberty Dental annual training on April 15th to learn of new updates to the Liberty Dental referral process. The social worker had virtual trainings on addiction and overdose prevention from the Dialog for Health website.

II. Sexual Health Clinic

- A. The clinic provided services provided 897 unique services to 709 unduplicated patients for the month of April, exceeding the numbers from April 2020.
- B. The Sexual Health Clinic (SHC) is participating in three Learning Collaboratives under the Ending the HIV Epidemic efforts : 1) Community-wide Rapid stART Program through the Ryan White Part A grant recipient with the goal of decreasing the time from HIV diagnosis to treatment initiation and 2) STD Specialty Clinic Learning Community through the University of Washington's Prevention Training Center with the goal of scaling up HIV preventive services in STD specialty clinics 3) NASTAD's TelePrEP Learning Collaborative: Cohort 2 which provides technical assistance from peers and subject matter experts to increase the uptake of telePrEP programs.
- C. The SHC offers sexually transmitted infection (STI) screening and treatment, HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), non-occupational post-exposure prophylaxis (nPEP) services, and referral to primary care and support services. Services include screening for sexually transmitted infections, treatment and referral to a disease investigator for partner investigation. New HIV diagnosis are immediately referred to the Health Center's Rapid stART clinic.
- D. Express Testing resumed last February 15th in SHC. Express Testing is a collaborative service between SHC and Office of Disease Surveillance to screen asymptomatic patients for STI without the full clinic visit. This has significantly enhanced the clinic's ability to provide more STI screening services to our community.
- E. SHC staffs attended trainings on Mental Health First Aid which teaches how to identify, understand and respond to signs of mental illnesses and substance use disorders. Staff also attended suicide prevention training and one staff completed a leadership training offered by Ryan White Part A.

III. Family Planning (FP)

- A. FP Program services at East Las Vegas and Decatur Public Health Centers served 422 clients; 421 of them were unduplicated.
- B. The East Las Vegas Family Planning Clinic served 285 clients; 285 of them were unduplicated.
- C. The Decatur Family Planning Clinic served 137 clients; 136 of them were duplicated.

IV. Family Healthcare Center



- A. The Family Health Care Clinic saw 271 patients in the month of April 2021. Ten patients were under age 18 and includes zero children from the Refugee Health Clinic.

V. Pharmacy Services

- A. Dispensed 1103 prescriptions for 885 clients.
- B. Assessed/counseled 34 clients in the Ryan White – Sexual Health Clinic
- C. Assessed/counseled zero clients in the Tuberculosis Clinic.
- D. Assisted 13 clients to obtain medication financial assistance.
- E. Assisted 1 clients with insurance approvals.

VI. Eligibility Case Narrative and Eligibility Monthly Report

Eligibility Monthly Report			
April 2021			
Total number of referrals received	58		
Total number of no action-closed	18		
Total number of applications submitted	Medicaid/SNAP/TANF: 28	Hardship: 5	
Application Status			
Medicaid/SNAP/TANF Applications		Hardship Applications	
# of approvals	16	# of approvals	3
# of ineligible	3	# of denials	0
# pending cases	9	# of pending cases	2

Eligibility Case Narrative

18 y/o, pregnant, HIV+ woman was referred to eligibility to apply for Medicaid during an office visit at the Southern Nevada Community Health Center. I interviewed the client in-between services on the same day. Client has insurance coverage through her parent’s employer-sponsored insurance plan, but the insurance plan does not include coverage for her pregnancy (prenatal or postnatal care). Client provided her picture ID during the visit, but she had no other required documents available. In the days following her interview, several failed attempts to contact the client via telephone and email were made to obtain the required documentation to submit with her application. Her application was subsequently submitted to the Division of Welfare & Supportive Services (DWSS) without any documentation. As an authorized representative listed on the client’s welfare case, I was contacted by the DWSS case worker and was able to relay the information provided to me by the client directly to the case worker to continue processing her application. The client’s application was approved on 4/24/2021.

Eligibility Worker: Kimberly Patterson



I interviewed the patient for Medicaid Assistance but based on her immigration status; she does not qualify for government benefits. The patient stated that she has no job at this moment. The only income is her husband's income which is \$400.00 a week. It is not enough to pay debts, rent, utilities, or any other medical expenses. Also, I processed her child's SNAP benefits. She requested to apply for the Financial Hardship Program to pay her visit here with the Health District Department provider.

Eligibility Worker: Juan Carlos Rodriguez

VII. Refugee Health Program

A. The Refugee Health Program served 11 adults in April.

VII. Quality & Risk Management:

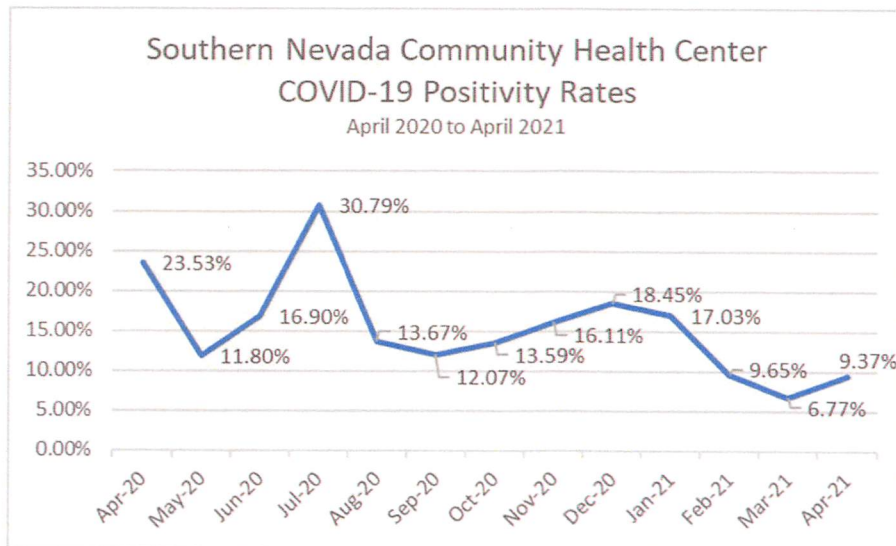
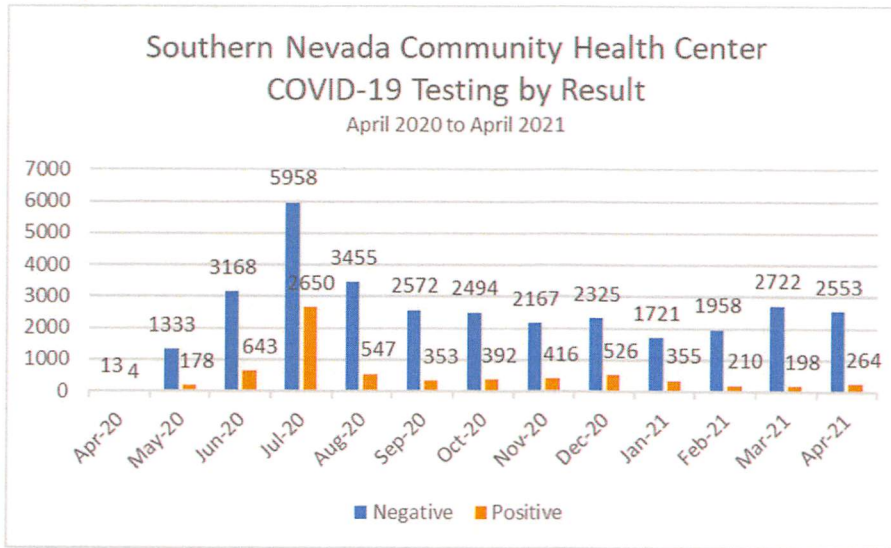
Quality

COVID-19 Testing

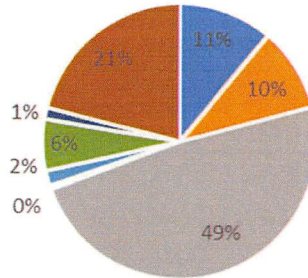
As of April 30, 2021, the Southern Nevada Community Health Center has completed 39,320 COVID-19 tests. In April alone, 2,817 COVID-19 tests were completed at the Health Center, a decrease of 3.7% over March.

There was a 9.4% positivity rate in April, an increase of 2.6% over March. This is the first increase of the positivity rate the Health Center has seen since December 2020. The Southern Nevada Health District and the Health Center continue to remind the public of the importance of following public health recommendations to protect themselves and others to limit the spread of COVID-19 in the community.

Reminders include limiting time in public and wearing face coverings when in contact with anyone outside common households. Those who are sick should stay home and if they have been in contact with a person who has COVID-19 or think they have been exposed; they should get tested. Additional preventive measures include frequent handwashing, covering coughs and sneezes, and disinfecting frequently touched surfaces. The Health District and Health Center also encourages those who are medically appropriate to get the COVID-19 vaccine.

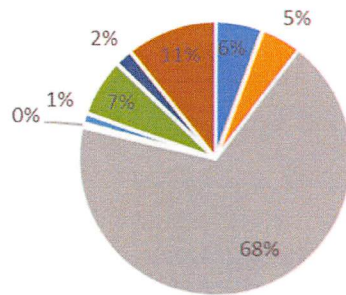


Southern Nevada Community Health Center
COVID-19 Testing by Race and Ethnicity (Negative Result)
April 2020 to April 2021



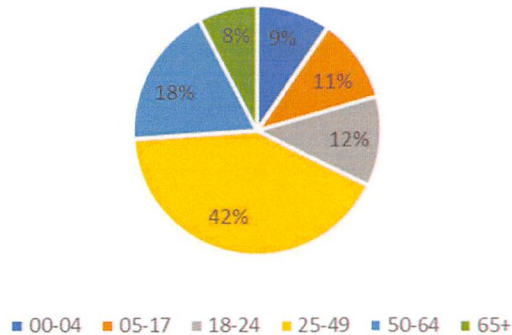
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- Black/African American
- Hispanic
- Native American
- Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
- Other
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- White/Caucasian

Southern Nevada Community Health Center
COVID-19 Testing by Race and Ethnicity (Positive Result)
April 2020 to April 2021

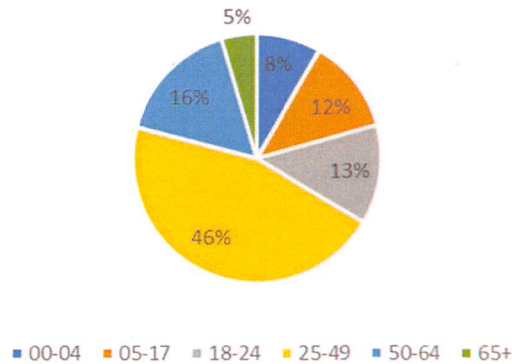


- Asian
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Southern Nevada Community Health Center
COVID-19 Testing by Age Group (Negative Result)
April 2020 to April 2021



Southern Nevada Community Health Center
COVID-19 Testing by Age Group (Positive Result)
April 2020 to April 2021



Patient Satisfaction

The Health Center received 138 patient satisfaction surveys in April, a decrease of 38.1% over March.

Family Planning made up 48.4% of survey responses followed by Ryan White at 38.1% and Family Health at 13.5%. Approximately 19% of patients seen at the Health Center in April took the patient satisfaction survey, a decrease of 8% over March.

The Health Center received generally favorable responses from survey participants when asked about ease of scheduling an appointment, wait time to see their provider, care received from providers and staff, understanding of health care instructions following their visit, hours of operation, and recommendation of the Health Center to friends and family.

Please see the complete patient satisfaction survey reports in English and Spanish attached.

Telehealth



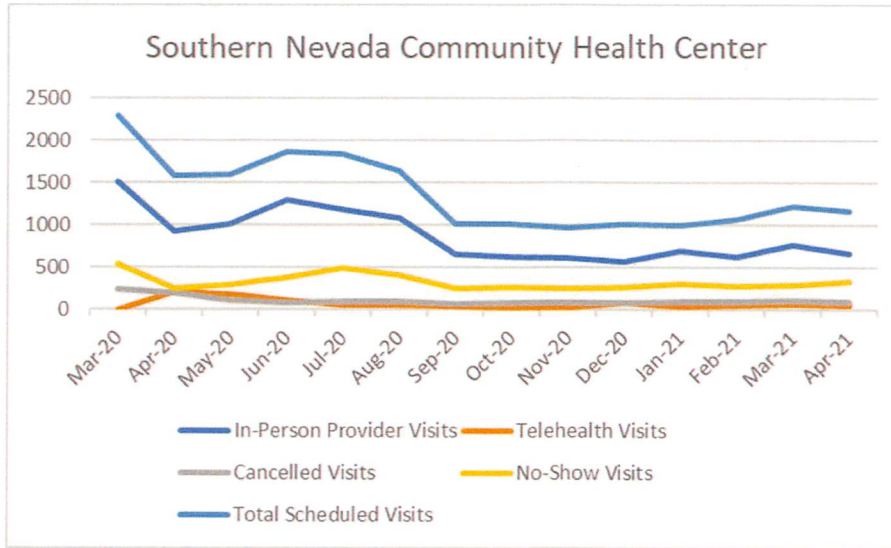
The Health Center implemented telehealth following the need for modified clinic operations as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic. The goal of the Health Center is to continue fulfilling its mission to provide safe, quality healthcare to the community amid the COVID-19 public health emergency. Health Center patients are seen by providers via audio (telephone) and video via Healow, an app by eClinicalWorks. Though patients can still be seen in-person, when medically appropriate, telehealth is offered and encouraged to be utilized, especially as we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic.

The following is a breakdown of telehealth visit volume since implementation in April 2020:

- In the month of April, telehealth saw 204 patients — 18% of Health Center visits.
- In the month of May, telehealth saw 179 patients — 15.1% of Health Center visits and a 12.3% decrease over the month prior.
- In the month of June, telehealth saw 106 patients — 7.6% of Health Center visits and a 40.8% decrease over the month prior.
- In the month of July, telehealth saw 53 patients — 4.3% of Health Center visits and a 50% decrease over the month prior.
- In the month of August, telehealth saw 47 patients — 4.2% of patient visits, an 11.3% decrease over the month prior.
- In the month of September, telehealth saw 39 patients — 6% of patient visits.
- In the month of October, telehealth saw 28 patients — 4.3% of patient visits, a 28.2% decrease over the month prior.
- In the month of November, telehealth saw 31 patients — 5.1% of patient visits, an increase of 10.7% over the month prior.
- In the month of December, telehealth saw 88 patients — 13.5% of patient visits, an increase of 183.9% over the month prior.
- In January 2021, telehealth saw 46 patients — 6.2% of patient visits, a decrease of 47.7% over the month prior.
- In February 2021, telehealth saw 59 patients — 8.6% of patient visits, an increase of 28.3% over the month prior.
- In March 2021, telehealth saw 62 patients — 7.5% of patient visits, an increase of 5.1% over the month prior.
- In April 2021, telehealth saw 59 patients — 8% of patient visits, an increase of less than 1% over the month prior.

As with other health care organizations across the county and state, telehealth visits have fluctuated over the past few months. This is largely due to fluctuations in COVID-19 positivity rates and subsequent modifications to clinic operations. The Health Center will continue provide telehealth and as we closely monitor the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic.

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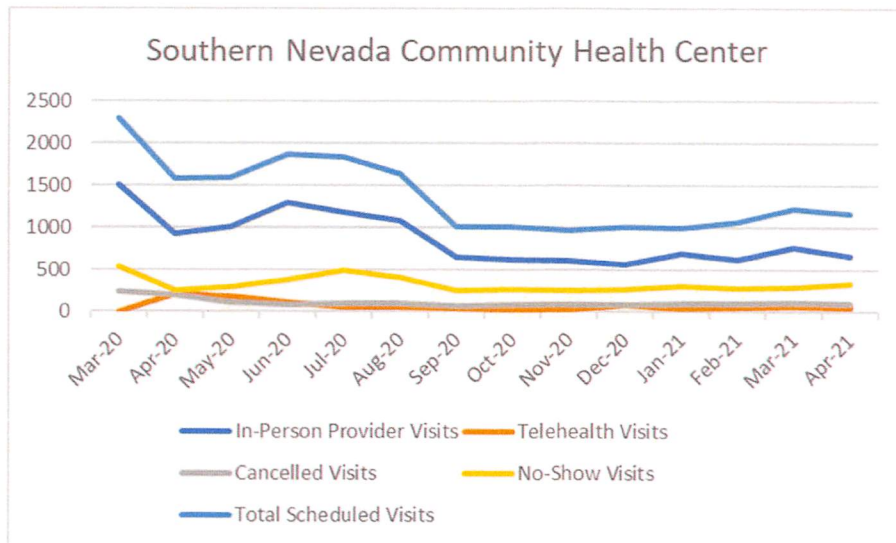


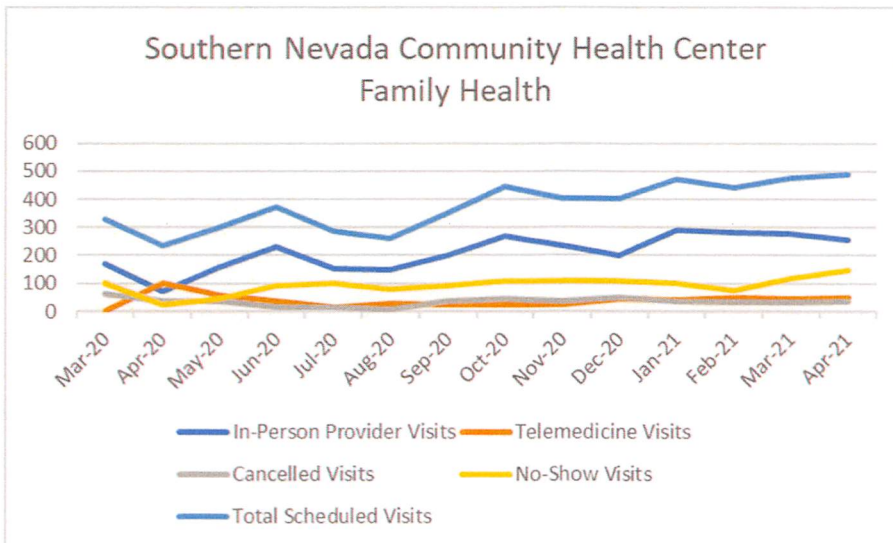
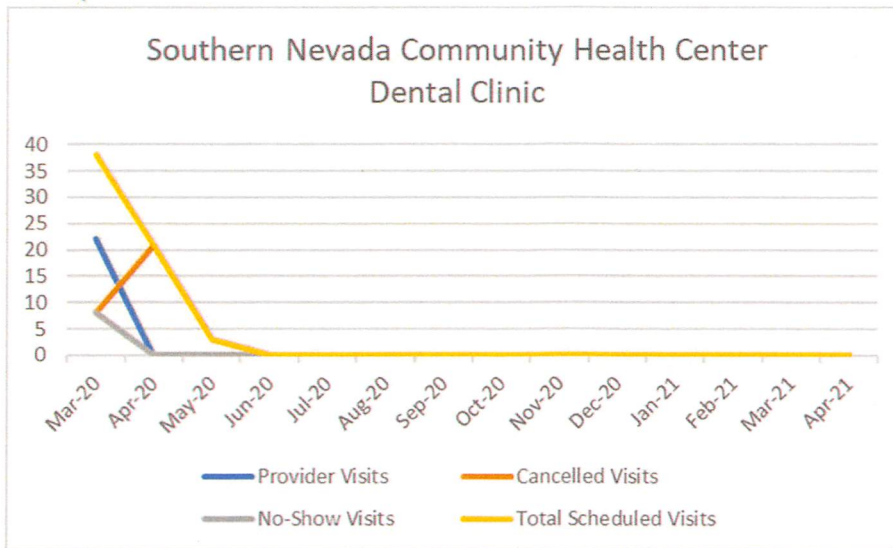
Health Center Visits

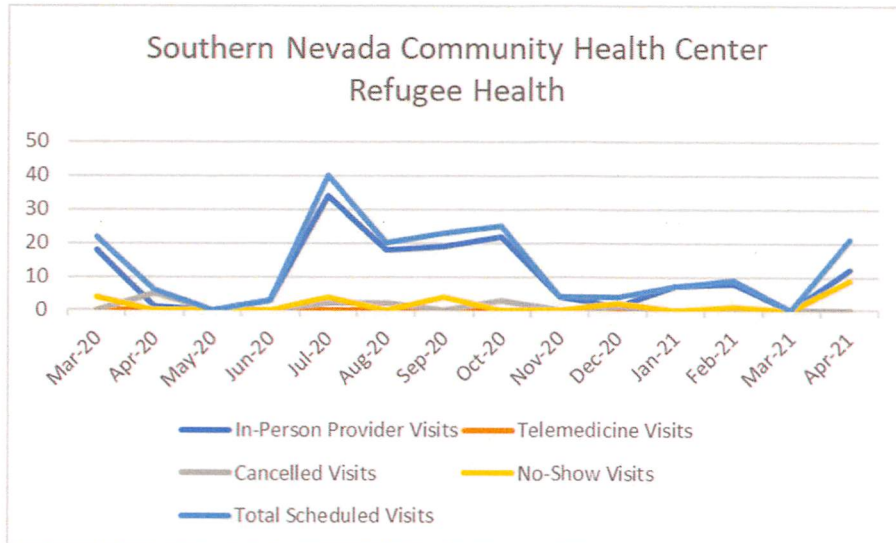
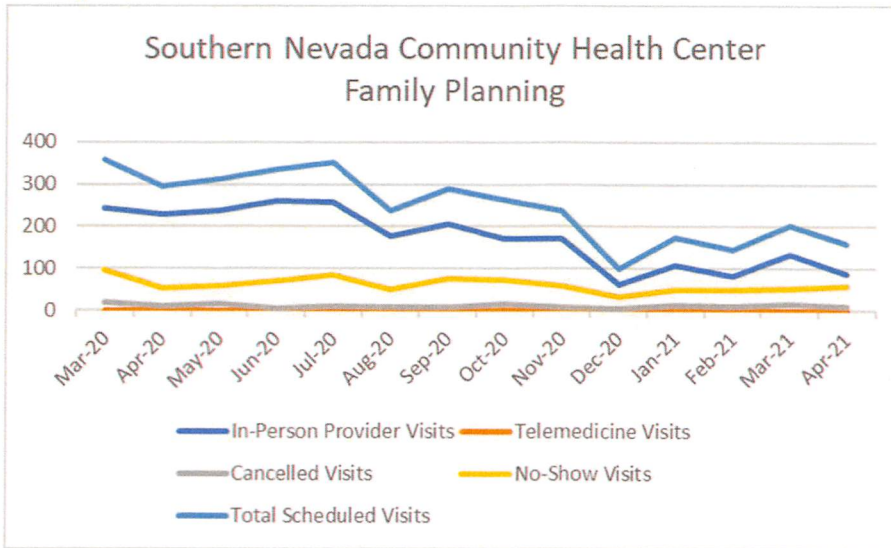
The Health Center had 1,167 scheduled patient appointments in April, a 4.8% decrease over March. Of scheduled patients, 62.8% kept their appointments, a 4.6% decrease over March; there was an 8.5% cancellation rate, no change over March, and a 28.7% no-show rate, an increase of 4.6% over March. Telemedicine saw 59 patients — 8% of patient visits, an increase of less than 1% over March.

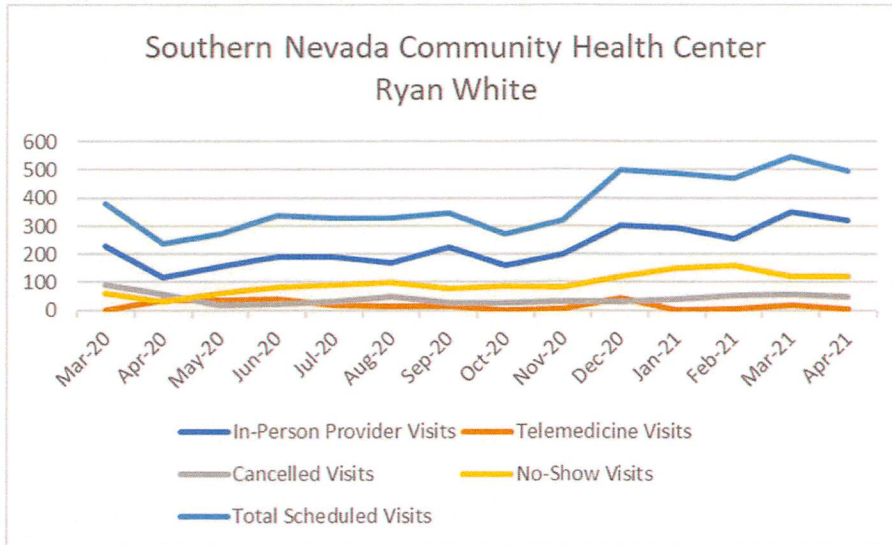
Of scheduled patient appointments, cancellation rates were highest among Ryan White and Family Health at 49.5% and 38.4%, respectively. The no-show rate was highest among Family Health and Ryan White at 43.9% and 35.8%, respectively.

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Risk Management

Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act (HIPAA)

There were no HIPAA breaches at the Health Center in April.

Exposure Incidents

There were no exposure incidents at the Health Center in April.

Medical Events

There was one medical event at the Health Center in April. The event was handled appropriately and closed without issue.

Policies and Procedures

The Health Center is currently reviewing existing Risk Management policies and procedures for completeness and are identifying the need for new policies and procedures that need to be developed. These policies include, but are not limited to, Patient Safety, Medication Events, Hospitalizations and Transfer of Patients, and Medical and Dental Referrals.

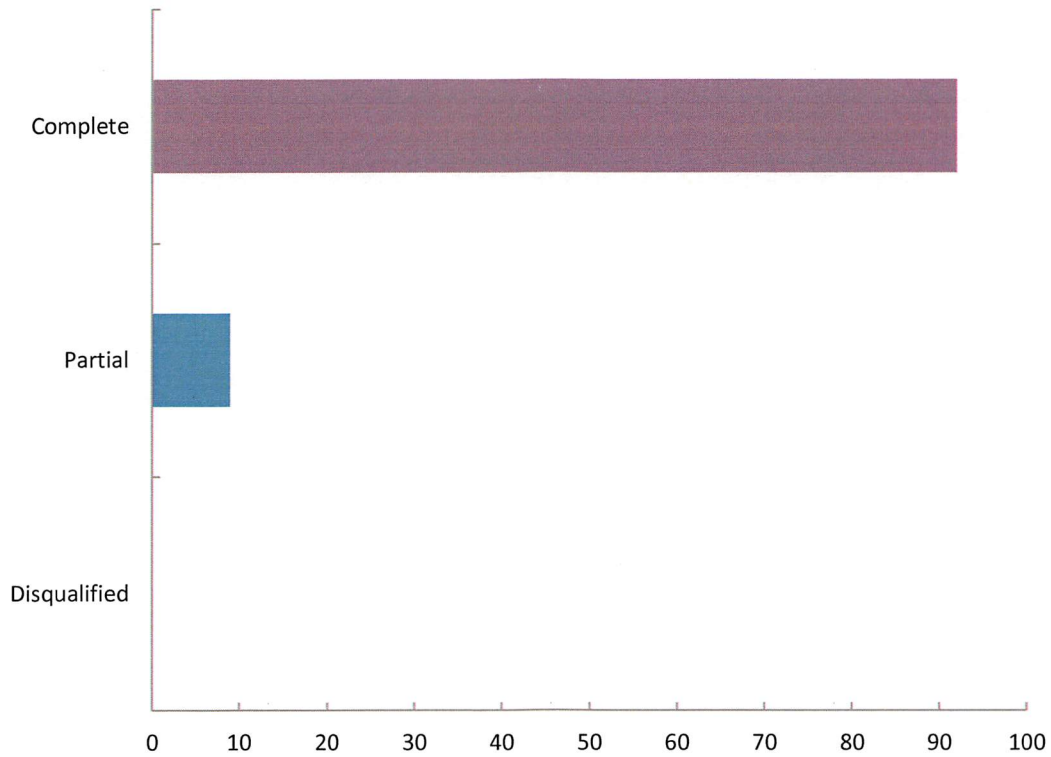


Report for Southern Nevada Community Health Center (SNCHC) Patient Satisfaction Survey

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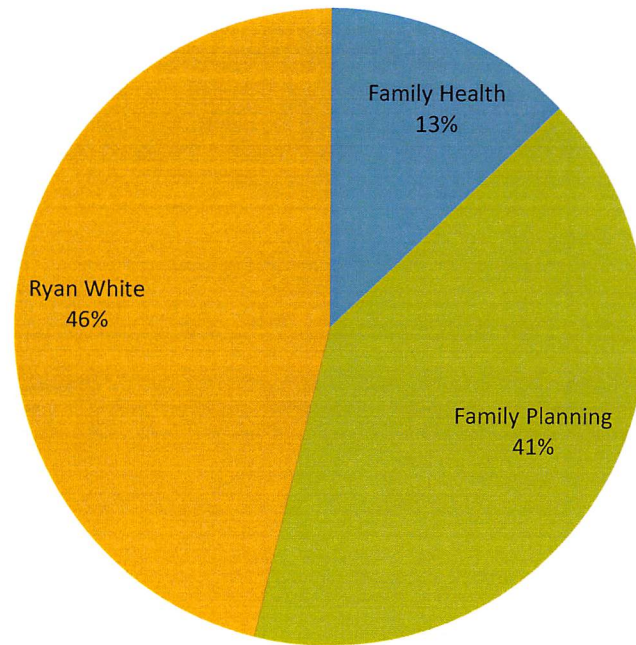


Response Statistics



	Count	Percent
Complete	92	91.1
Partial	9	8.9
Disqualified	0	0
Totals	101	

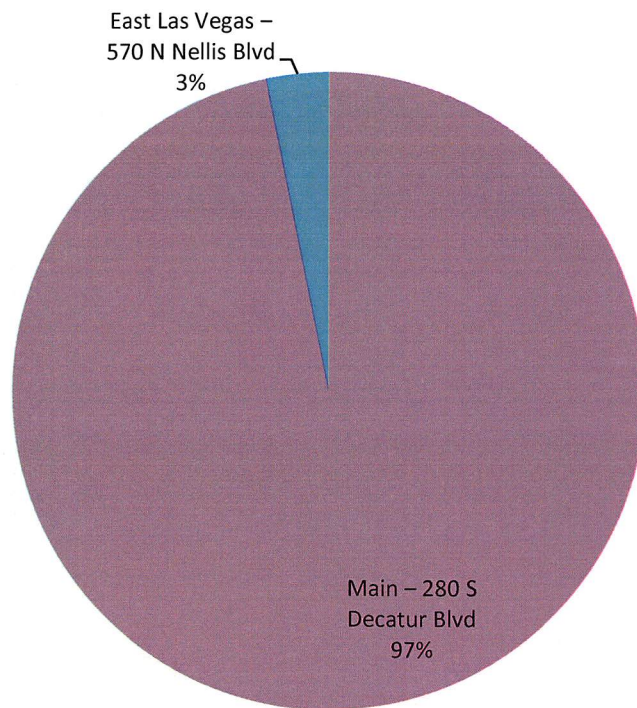
1. Service received during your visit



Value	Percent	Count
Family Health	12.9%	12
Family Planning	40.9%	38
Ryan White	46.2%	43
	Totals	93

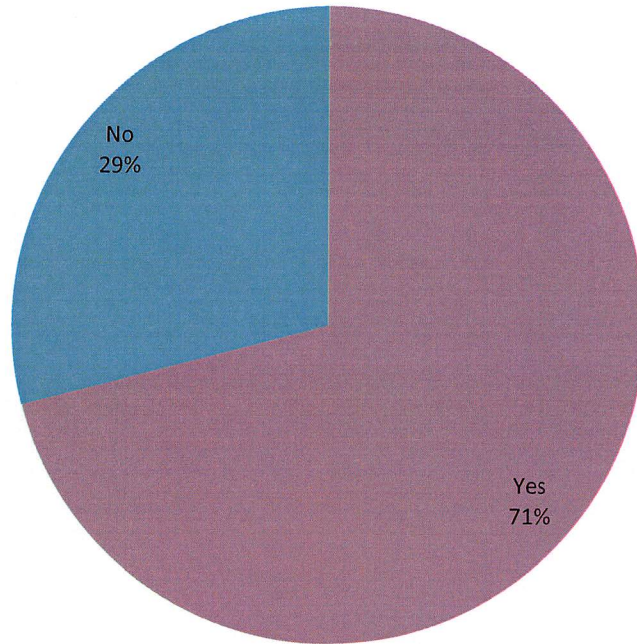


2. Southern Nevada Health District (SNHD) location



Value	Percent	Count
Main – 280 S Decatur Blvd	96.8%	90
East Las Vegas – 570 N Nellis Blvd	3.2%	3
	Totals	93

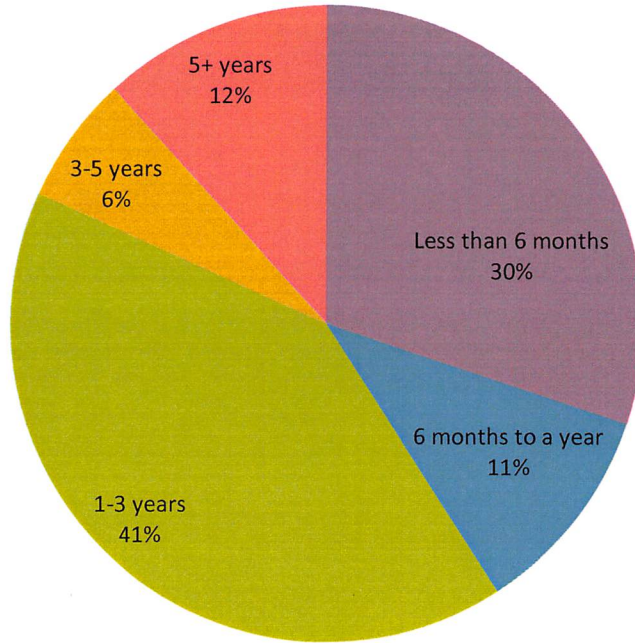
3. Do you have health insurance?



Value	Percent	Count
Yes	71.0%	66
No	29.0%	27
	Totals	93

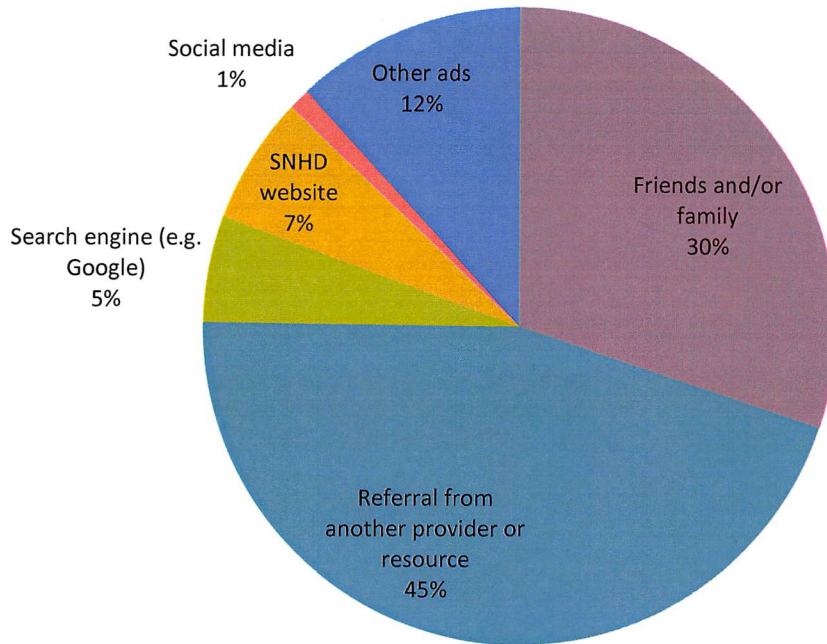


4. How long have you been a patient at the Southern Nevada Health District/Southern Nevada Community Health Center?



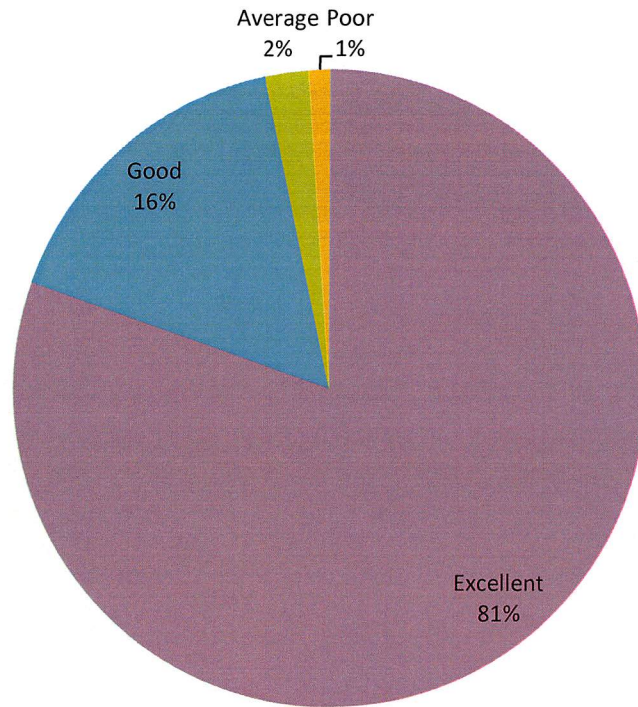
Value	Percent	Count
Less than 6 months	30.1%	28
6 months to a year	10.8%	10
1-3 years	40.9%	38
3-5 years	6.5%	6
5+ years	11.8%	11
	Totals	93

5. How did you hear about us?



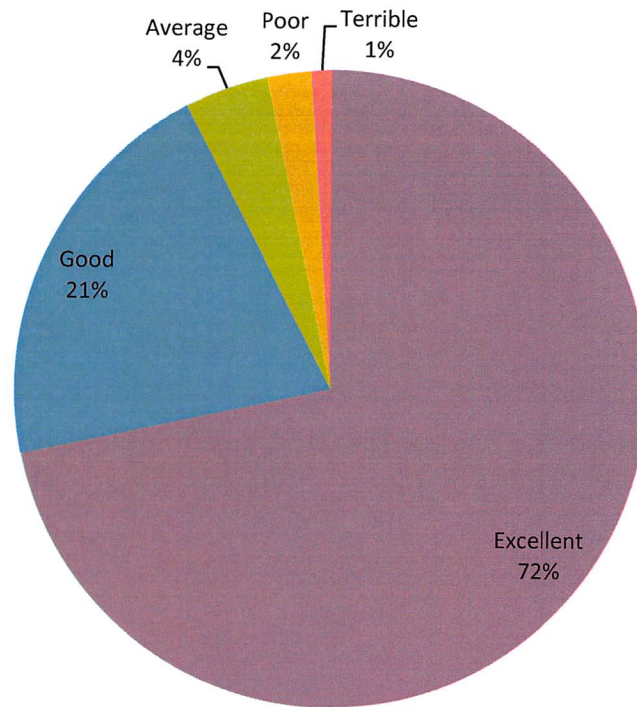
Value	Percent	Count
Friends and/or family	30.1%	28
Referral from another provider or resource	45.2%	42
Search engine (e.g. Google)	5.4%	5
SNHD website	6.5%	6
Social media	1.1%	1
Other ads	11.8%	11
	Totals	93

6. Ease of scheduling an appointment



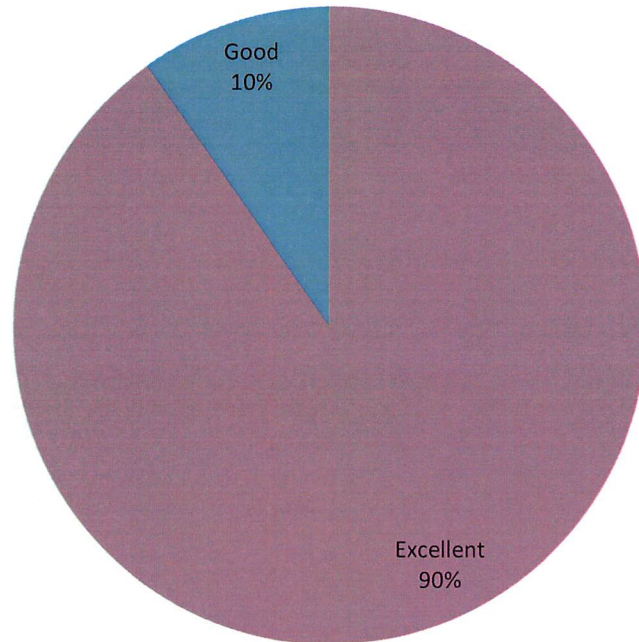
Value	Percent	Count
Excellent	80.4%	74
Good	16.3%	15
Average	2.2%	2
Poor	1.1%	1
	Totals	92

7. Wait time to see provider



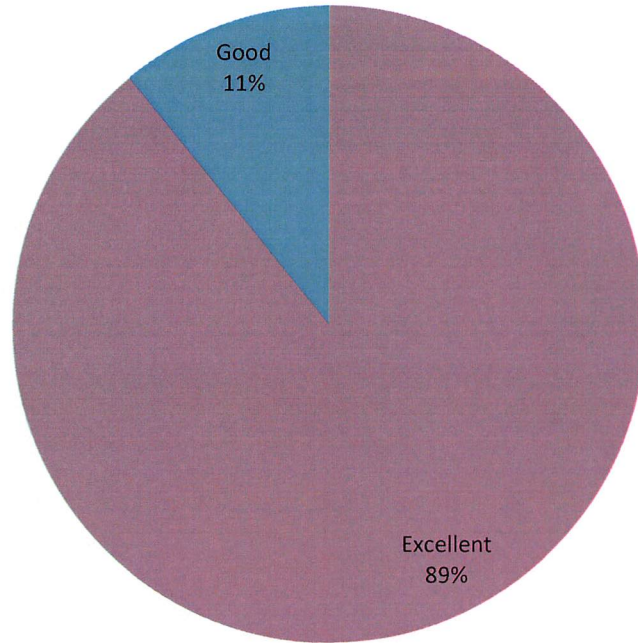
Value	Percent	Count
Excellent	71.7%	66
Good	20.7%	19
Average	4.3%	4
Poor	2.2%	2
Terrible	1.1%	1
	Totals	92

8. Care received from providers and staff



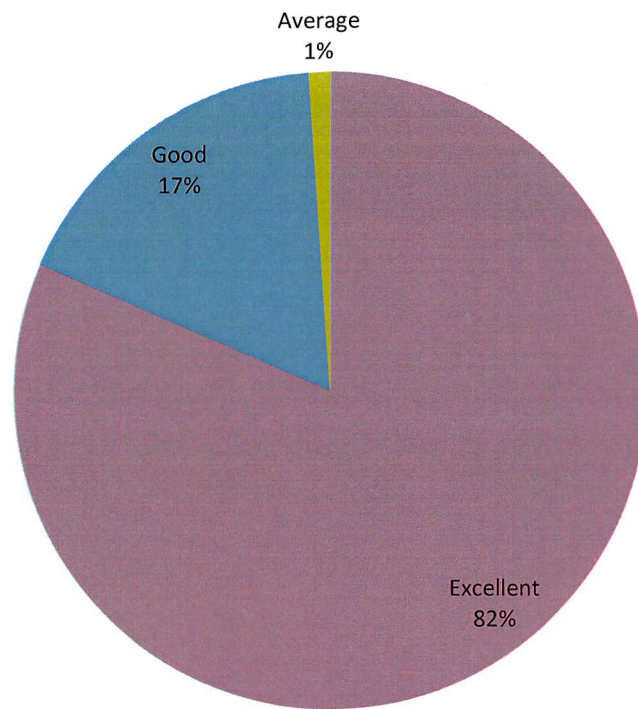
Value	Percent	Count
Excellent	90.2%	83
Good	9.8%	9
	Totals	92

9. Understanding of health care instructions following your visit



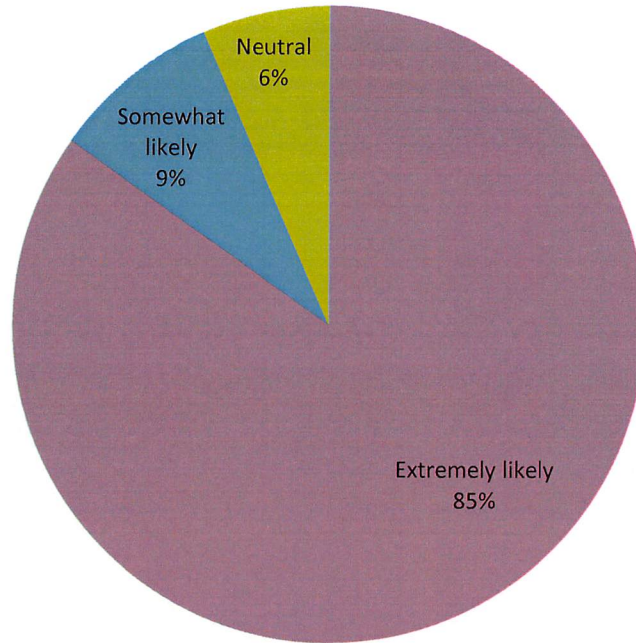
Value	Percent	Count
Excellent	89.1%	82
Good	10.9%	10
	Totals	92

10. Hours of operation



Value	Percent	Count
Excellent	81.5%	75
Good	17.4%	16
Average	1.1%	1
	Totals	92

11. Recommendation of our health center to friends and family



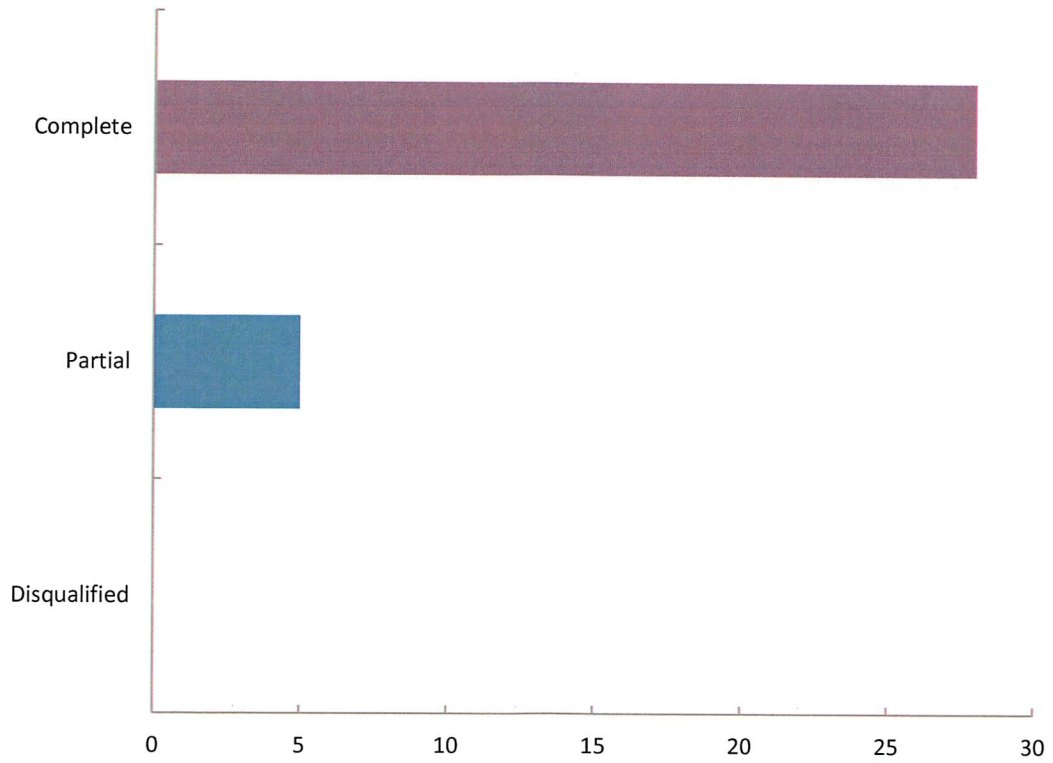
Value	Percent	Count
Extremely likely	84.8%	78
Somewhat likely	8.7%	8
Neutral	6.5%	6
	Totals	92



Report for Distrito de Salud del Sur de Nevada Encuesta de Satisfacción del Paciente

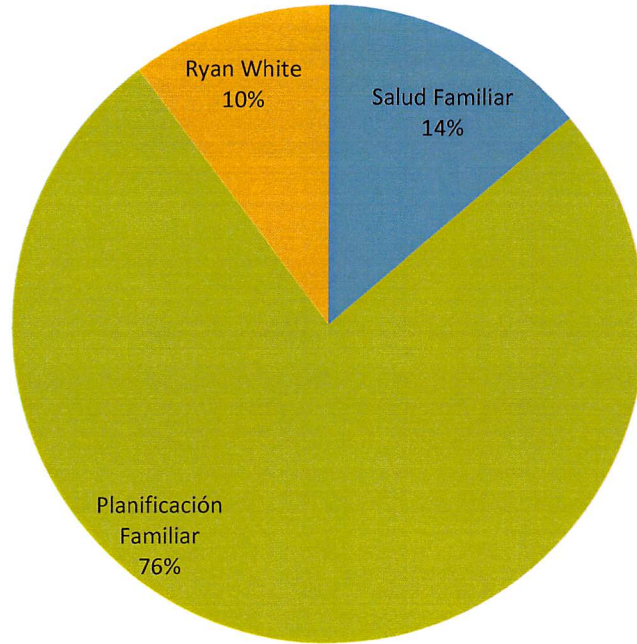
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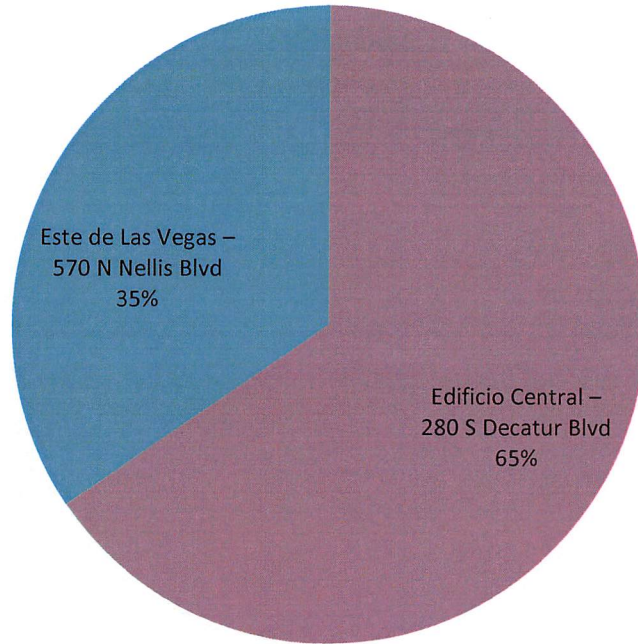
	Count	Percent
Complete	28	84.8
Partial	5	15.2
Disqualified	0	0
Totals	33	

1. Marque los servicios recibidos durante su visita



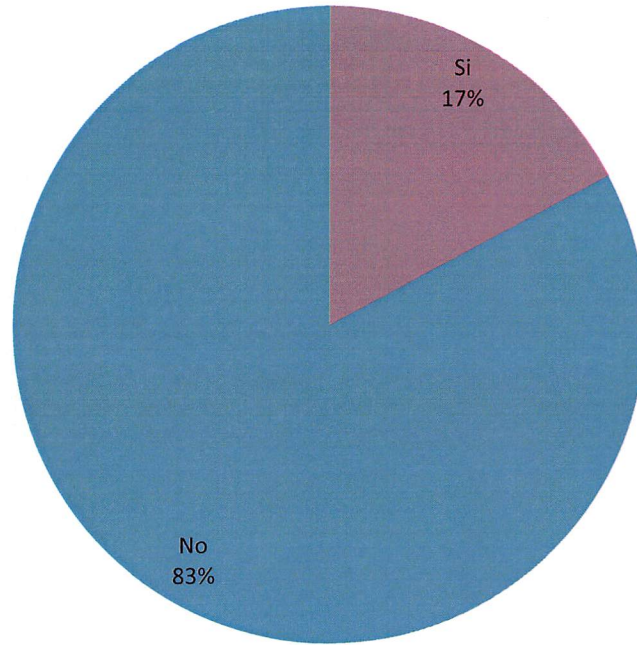
Value	Percent	Count
Salud Familiar	13.8%	4
Planificación Familiar	75.9%	22
Ryan White	10.3%	3
	Totals	29

2. ¿En cuál de las localidades del Distrito de Salud recibió los servicios?



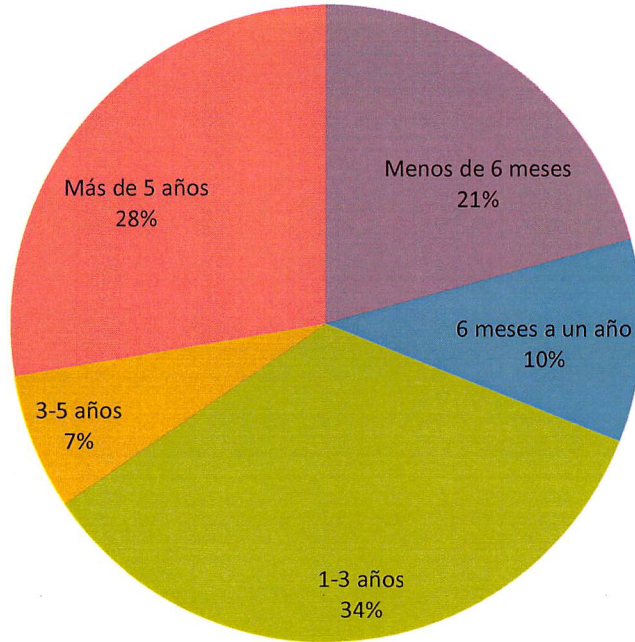
Value	Percent	Count
Edificio Central – 280 S Decatur Blvd	65.5%	19
Este de Las Vegas – 570 N Nellis Blvd	34.5%	10
	Totals	29

3. ¿Tiene seguro médico?



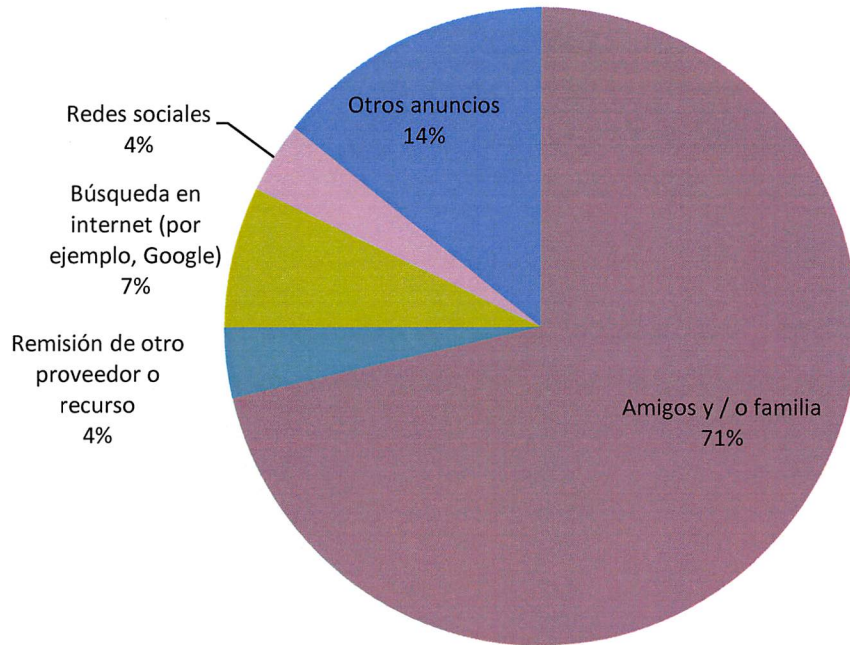
Value	Percent	Count
Si	17.2%	5
No	82.8%	24
	Totals	29

4. ¿Cuánto tiempo ha sido usted paciente en el Distrito de Salud del Sur de Nevada/Centro de Salud Comunitario del Sur de Nevada?



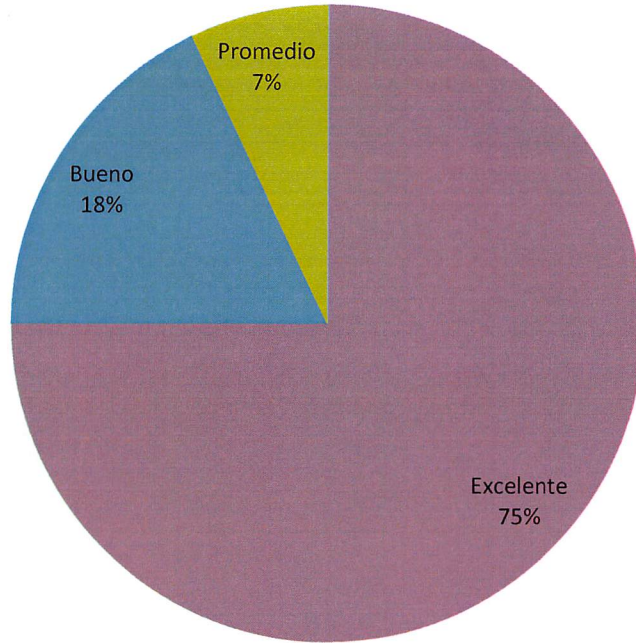
Value	Percent	Count
Menos de 6 meses	20.7%	6
6 meses a un año	10.3%	3
1-3 años	34.5%	10
3-5 años	6.9%	2
Más de 5 años	27.6%	8
	Totals	29

5. ¿Como usted supo de nosotros?



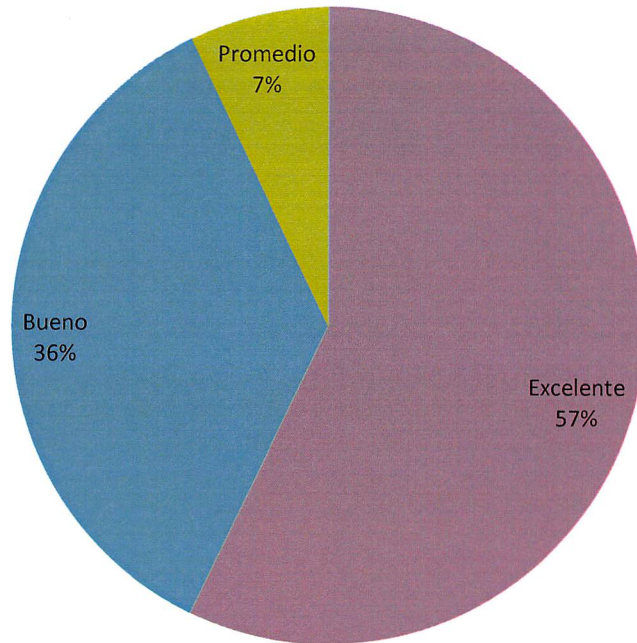
Value	Percent	Count
Amigos y / o familia	71.4%	20
Remisión de otro proveedor o recurso	3.6%	1
Búsqueda en internet (por ejemplo, Google)	7.1%	2
Redes sociales	3.6%	1
Otros anuncios	14.3%	4
	Totals	28

6. Facilidad para programar una cita



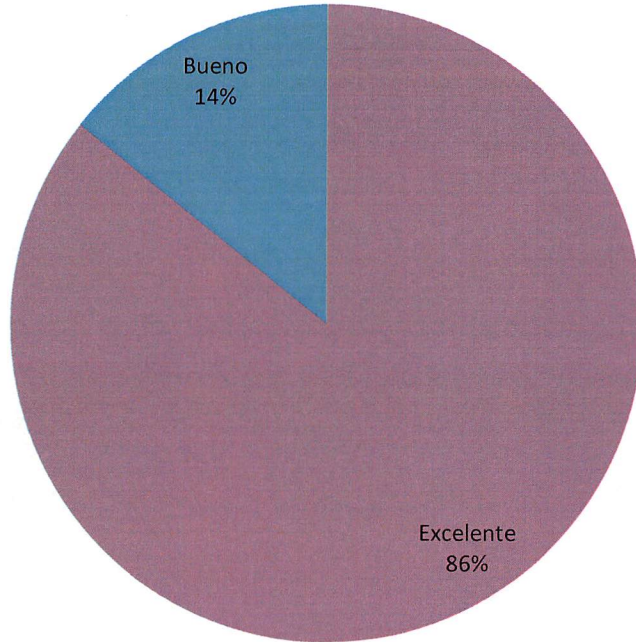
Value	Percent	Count
Excelente	75.0%	21
Bueno	17.9%	5
Promedio	7.1%	2
	Totals	28

7. Tiempo de espera para ver a un proveedor de salud



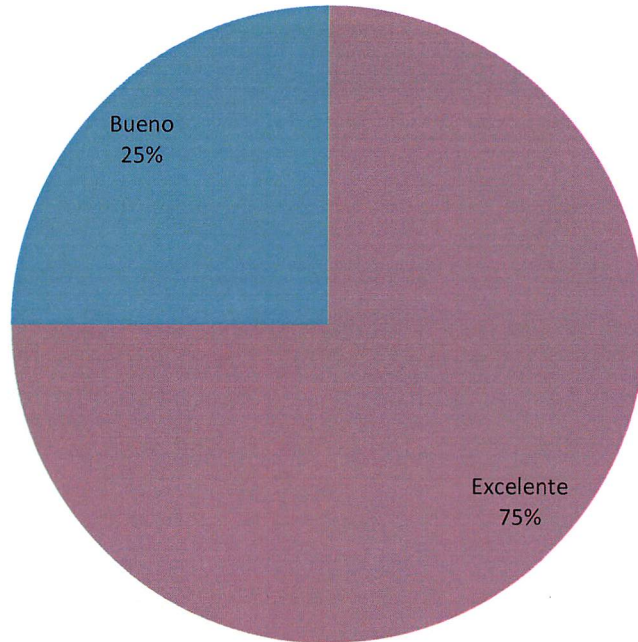
Value	Percent	Count
Excelente	57.1%	16
Bueno	35.7%	10
Promedio	7.1%	2
	Totals	28

8. Atención recibida de los proveedores y personal



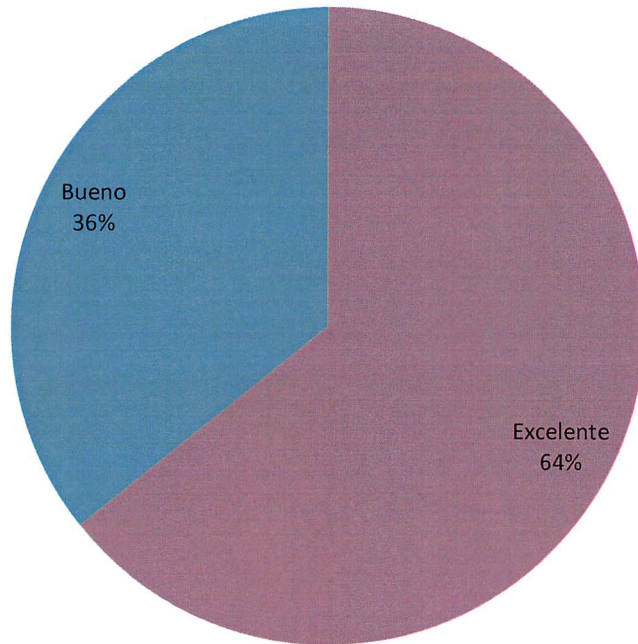
Value	Percent	Count
Excelente	85.7%	24
Bueno	14.3%	4
	Totals	28

9. Comprensión de las instrucciones del cuidado de salud después de su visita



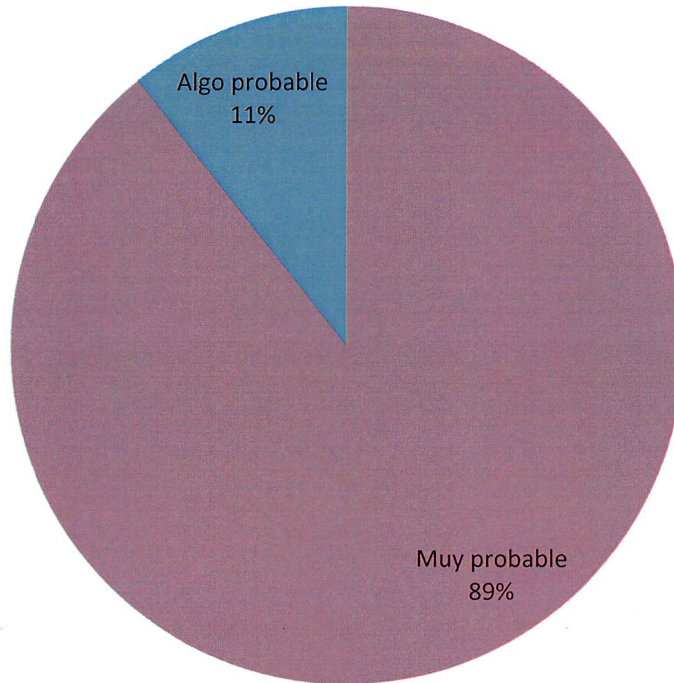
Value	Percent	Count
Excelente	75.0%	21
Bueno	25.0%	7
	Totals	28

10. Horarios de operación



Value	Percent	Count
Excelente	64.3%	18
Bueno	35.7%	10
	Totals	28

11. Recomendaría nuestro centro de salud a amigos y familiares



Value	Percent	Count
Muy probable	89.3%	25
Algo probable	10.7%	3
	Totals	28



Health Center Visit Report Summary: April 2021

Southern Nevada Community Health Center	Provider Visits		Cancelled Visits		No Show Visits		Telehealth Visits						Total Scheduled Patients	
							Audio Visit		Televisit		Total Visits			
Family Health Clinic	255	37.83%	38	38.38%	147	43.88%	37	62.71%	12	20.34%	49	83.05%	489	41.90%
Family Planning Clinic	87	12.91%	12	12.12%	59	17.61%	1	1.69%	2	3.39%	3	5.08%	161	13.80%
Refugee Clinic	12	1.78%	0	0.00%	9	2.69%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0	0.00%	21	1.80%
Ryan White	320	47.48%	49	49.49%	120	35.82%	0	0.00%	7	11.86%	7	11.86%	496	42.50%
Totals	674	100.00%	99	100.00%	335	100.00%	38	64.41%	21	35.59%	59	100.00%	1167	100.00%

<i>Percent of scheduled patients who cancelled</i>	8.48%
<i>Percent of scheduled patients who no showed</i>	28.71%
<i>Percent of scheduled patients who cancelled and no showed</i>	37.19%

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April 2021 Stats Report