

Autism Services Initiative for Adults Data Analysis Topics

Identify the Target Population:

Number of Adults with ASD by Service Status:

- Currently receiving services
- On the Short Term Planning list
- On the Long Term Planning List

Calculate the proportion of the adult population in Georgia receiving Waiver or State-funded services for ASD

Identify DBHDD-provided Services to Adults with ASD:

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| • Community Access Group | • Physical Therapy |
| • Community Access Individual | • Speech Language Therapy |
| • Community Living Support | • Transportation |
| • Community Residential Alternative | • Prevocational |
| • Support Coordination | • Supported Employment |
| • Financial Support Services | • Natural Support Training Services |
| • Behavioral Support Services | • Nursing Services |
| • Respite | • Other |
| • Occupational Therapy | |

For Each Service, calculate:

- The number of adults with ASD authorized to receive each type of service per the Waiver Information Services (WIS) data
- The proportion of adults with ASD who were authorized to receive each type of service per the Waiver Information Services (WIS) data
- The number of adults with ASD who made one or more claims for each type of service per the WIS Utilization data
- The proportion of adults with ASD who made one or more claims for each type of service per the WIS Utilization data

Define Measures of Access to Services :

- Ratio of Claimed Services to Authorized Services
- Ratio of individuals on the Short-Term Planning List relative to those Currently Receiving Services and those on the Short-Term Planning List
- Use of Crisis Services

Consider factors that influence access to services:

- Region
- Living Situation
- Presence of Co-occurring Disabilities
- Intellectual Disability
- Psychiatric Diagnoses
- Other Co-occurring Conditions
- Age
- Risk Level

Determine the Availability of Access and Quality Indicators in Existing Databases

- Above Access and Service Variables were identified after compiling the available DBHDD datasets
- Table is under development tracking the above variables with corresponding data sources
- Consider National Core Indicators (NCI) despite limitations; compare to data for Georgia

Determine Key Indicators for Quality of DBHDD-Provided Services to Adults with ASD from Advisory Group

Summary of Categories for Quality Measures

1. Individuals supported by DBHDD Services – measures of access to services to include waiting time, match of service provided and need statement, availability, proximity, and transportation options for services.
2. Individual outcomes – measures of community acceptance and involvement, education and employment, and quality of life for individuals with ASD.
3. Family satisfaction with care – measures of family support, education, stress, and satisfaction.
4. Staffing – measures of staff knowledge of autism, responsiveness to needs of clients, continuing education
5. Facilities providing DBHDD Services – measures of proximity to clients, physical infrastructure, environmental quality, staffing, monitoring & quality improvement, and connections with the community.