Minnesota Permanency Demonstration

Presentation of Evaluation Findings of Minnesota’s Title IV-E Child Welfare Waiver Project at 36 Months

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Children Assigned to the Waiver.
Waiver Assignment of Counties.

Graph showing the assignment of counties over time with lines for Hennepin, Ramsey, Dakota, Carlton, and Cass counties.
Race of Waiver Children

- White, 31%
- African American, 44%
- American Indian, 22%
- Asian, 3%
Days in Foster Care at Time of Waiver Assignment

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<th>Region</th>
<th>Mean Continuous Days in Foster Care</th>
<th>Mean Days with Current FC Provider</th>
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<tr>
<td>Carlton</td>
<td>975</td>
<td>810</td>
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<td>Dakota</td>
<td>566</td>
<td>381</td>
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<td>Hennepin</td>
<td>1159</td>
<td>583</td>
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<td>Ramsey</td>
<td>1212</td>
<td>788</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>1070</td>
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Legend:
- Blue: mean continuous days in foster care
- Red: mean days with current FC provider
Children Moved to Permanency during Waiver Demonstration

Experimental

Control

difference
While more waiver children have been moved to permanency through adoption, the impact of MNPD has primarily been on differences in custody outcomes. This can also be seen on the next slide.
Permanency through Adoption & Custody for Waiver & Control Children

- Waiver-Adoption
- Waiver Legal Custody
- Control-Adoption
- Control-Legal Custody
Moved to Permanency through Adoption vs Custody

Of all waiver and control children moved to permanency, this shows the percentage done through adoption or legal custody.
Percent of Adoptions & Custody among Waiver Children Attaining Permanency
Percent of Adoptions & Custody among Control Children Attaining Permanency

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<th>% Custody</th>
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<td>Carlton</td>
<td>30.0%</td>
<td>70.0%</td>
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<td>Dakota</td>
<td>15.2%</td>
<td>84.8%</td>
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<td>Hennepin</td>
<td>9.8%</td>
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<td>Ramsey</td>
<td>24.7%</td>
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<td>Total</td>
<td>16.2%</td>
<td>83.8%</td>
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Moved to Permanency by County

Permanency here means either through adoption or legal custody. (These are same figures as in last semi-annual report.)
Percent of Waiver Children Achieving Permanency by Adoption and Legal Custody by County.

Data through end of February 2009. They are, therefore, a little higher than those shown above.
Percent Achieving Permanency in Hennepin and Ramsey Counties.

As of Feb 2009. At Interim Report: waiver=53.2% and control=46.3%, sign =.001.
Here: waiver=57.1% and control=52.7%
Percent Achieving Permanency in Hennepin County.

As of Feb 2009
Percent Achieving Permanency in Ramsey County.

As of Feb 2009. In Interim report when we dropped AEP children out of analysis of adoptions, control adopted dropped by 11.4% (which now would be 24%) and waiver adopted dropped by 3.6% (which would now be 19.7%). Such figures now would make overall permanency in Ramsey: waiver 45.1%; control 34.4%.
Percent Achieving Permanency by Group in Hennepin.

As of Feb 2009. Compared with control group, waiver group shows reduction in adoptions among relatives, but increases in custody among relatives and adoptions among nonrelatives.
Percent Achieving Permanency by Group in Ramsey.

As of Feb 2009. Compared with control group, waiver group shows reduction in adoptions among relatives and nonrelatives, but increases in custody among relatives and nonrelatives.
Permanency Outcomes by Race

- White
  - Control: 49.4%
  - Experimental: 75.3%
- African American
  - Control: 44.6%
  - Experimental: 52.7%
- American Indian
  - Control: 32.1%
  - Experimental: 63.4%
- Total
  - Control: 43.9%
  - Experimental: 61.9%
Permanency through Adoption by Race

- **White**: 43.2% (Control), 55.1% (Experimental)
- **African American**: 38.1% (Control), 35.9% (Experimental)
- **American Indian**: 23.1% (Control), 39.3% (Experimental)
- **Total**: 36.8% (Control), 42.1% (Experimental)
Permanency through **Custody** by Race

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<td>7.1%</td>
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Children Remaining in Foster Care by Race

- White: 15.2% (Control), 33.5% (Experimental)
- African American: 26.8% (Control), 34.1% (Experimental)
- American Indian: 27.0% (Control), 38.5% (Experimental)
- Total: 27.0% (Control), 39.9% (Experimental)
Outcomes by Race in Hennepin County

Note that there are other possible outcomes not included here (such as reunification, emancipation, run away, in different state), so totals do not reach 100%.
Outcomes by Race in Ramsey County

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<td>51.1%</td>
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Comparison of Outcomes for Waiver Children in Ramsey & Hennepin

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Foster Care Setting of Waiver Children When Assigned to Waiver.

As of Feb 2009
Outcomes for Waiver Children Living with Relatives and Non-Relatives.

Percentages of all waiver children in each county. Thus 31.6 percent of all Ramsey County waiver children achieved permanency AND were living with relatives. And 17.1 percent achieved permanency AND were living with nonrelatives. So that 48.7 percent of all waiver children in Ramsey had achieved permanency. As of Feb 2009.
Permanency Outcomes for Waiver Children with Relatives & Non-Relatives.

Shows the percent of waiver children living with relatives who achieved permanency through adoption or custody and percent of children living with relatives who achieved permanency through adoption or custody. So, 58 percent of Ramsey County children living with relatives achieved permanency compared with 38 percent living with nonrelatives who achieved permanency. As of Feb 2009.
Percent of Waiver Children who Achieved Permanency through Adoption & Custody by Living Situation.

Percentages for each county add up to percentage of waiver children who achieved permanency. As of Feb 2009.
Percent of Waiver Children Living with Relatives by Permanency Outcome.

As of Feb 2009
Percent of Waiver Children Living with Nonrelatives by Permanency Outcomes

- As of Feb 2009

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Note: The chart represents the percentage of waiver children living with nonrelatives by permanency outcomes, categorized by counties and total.
Days in Foster Care after Waiver Group Assignment

- **Carlton**: Experimental: 434, Control: 572
- **Dakota**: Experimental: 126, Control: 332
- **Hennepin**: Experimental: 418, Control: 534
- **Ramsey**: Experimental: 449, Control: 471
- **Total**: Experimental: 384, Control: 483
Administrative Cost Savings

Average number days in FC care for control group less average number of days in FC for waiver group (that is, average number of fewer days in FC)

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Average administrative cost per day of foster care

= Average administrative savings per waiver child

\[ \times \]

Number of waiver children

= Administrative cost savings
Administrative Cost Savings Example

- Ave # of FC Days for control group = 483
- Ave # of FC Days for waiver group = 384
- Ave # of fewer days in FC = 99

- Ave cost per day of FC = $15 (estimate; IL=$22)
- Ave cost savings per waiver child: 99 x 15 = $1,485
- Cost savings for waiver population: $1,485 x 538 (waiver children)
  $798,930