



Santa Rita Jail Data Presentation for BOS October 24 2022

MHAB AD HOC (May 2021-present)



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Ad Hoc was formed to study the seriously mentally ill (SMI) “High Utilizer” population at Santa Rita Jail in response to the Care First, Jail Last resolution.

The Goal:

To collect relevant data and pose meaningful questions about this population to better evaluate the efficacy of Behavioral Health programming to reduce recidivism



WORKING IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ACBH

- STAFF:
 - Chet Meinzer (regularly attending ad hoc meetings)
 - Dr. Lorenza Hall
 - Deputy Director Imo Momoh
- DATA:
 - All data referenced was supplied by ACBH.
 - De-identified individualized data from 2020 population of "High Utilizers" supplied.

ACBH created a “dashboard” to make the data easier to sort, review & make correlations in the summer/fall 2022.

WHAT WE HAVE LEARNED SO FAR & NEXT STEPS

Santa Rita Jail 2020

Total number of
incarcerated persons

15,377

Total number (and
percentage) of
incarcerated persons
with “high utilizer”
definition

1,969

12.8%

High Utilizer Definition

Individuals incarcerated at Santa Rita in the
2020 Calendar Year AND

- Had 2 or more John George PES visits
- (OR) 2 or more John George episodes
- (OR) 2 or more Cherry Hill (SUD) visits
- (OR) in conservatorship
- (OR) have a serious mental illness (SMI) diagnosis

*2020 not a typical year due to global pandemic

* Definition parameter can be easily adjusted to narrow population or study particular data point more closely in terms of output



Santa Rita Jail 2020 Demographics

Ethnic Group	Number of High Utilizers	Percent of High Utilizers
Alaska Native or American Indian	6	0.3%
Asian	158	8.0%
Black or African American	939	47.7%
Hispanic or Latino	35	1.8%
Other	262	13.3%
Pacific Islander	8	0.4%
Unknown	114	5.8%
White	447	22.7%

Age Group	Number of High Utilizers	Percent of High Utilizers
18-29	569	28.9%
30-39	674	34.2%
40-49	382	19.4%
50-59	260	13.2%
60-69	76	3.9%
70+	8	0.4%

Sex	Number of High Utilizers	Percent of High Utilizers
Female	427	21.7%
Male	1,541	78.3%
Unknown	1	0.1%



Black or African American

individuals comprise

47.7%

of the High Utilizer population

despite being only

10%

of the Alameda County overall population

Percentage of “High Utilizers” with Co-Occurring Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Diagnosis

50.9%

Significance: Few FSP programs are designed to serve individuals with Co-Occurring SUD-SMI Diagnosis.



Santa Rita Jail 2020 John George Involuntary Treatment Statistics

Number of High Utilizers	Number of High Utilizers with PES Involuntary Holds While Detained	Percent of High Utilizers with PES Involuntary Holds While Detained	Number of High Utilizers with Hospital Involuntary Holds While Detained	Percent of High Utilizers with Hospital Involuntary Holds While Detained
1,969	131	6.7%	68	3.5%

Ad Hoc Observation:

Notably low percentage of high utilizer population taken for psychiatric treatment during this calendar year

Number of John George PES Involuntary Holds While Detained	Number of High Utilizers	Percent of High Utilizers
0	1,838	93.3%
1	92	4.7%
2	17	0.9%
3	4	0.2%
4	8	0.4%
5	3	0.2%
6	3	0.2%
9	1	0.1%
10	1	0.1%
11	1	0.1%
16	1	0.1%



Additional Areas of Inquiry

- Do AFBH (county jail mental health) clients have the same access to services as individuals who are not justice involved but served within the system?
- What percentage of ACBH programs are designed to address the complex needs of individuals with dual diagnosis?
- How does someone's diagnosis impact access to services? (specifically co-occurring SUD/SMI)
- Is there a policy, practice or procedure at John George Psychiatric Hospital that discourages admissions from Santa Rita Jail?

MISSING DATA

- Housing status post release
- Criminal charges i.e. misdemeanor vs. felony to assess the appropriateness of diversion

