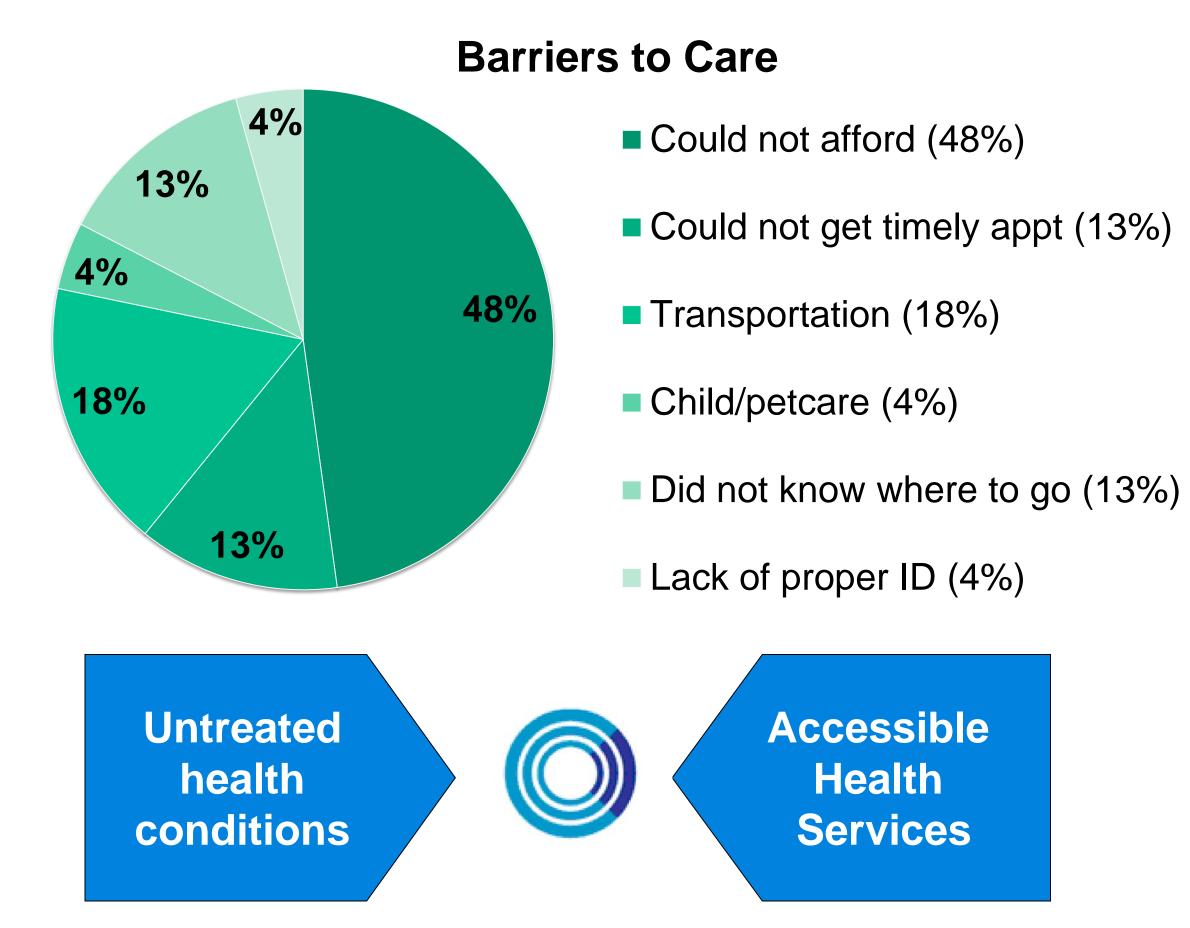
California Health Improvement Project (CHIP) "Safe Place For Youth": Clinic for Homeless Youth

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Problem Statement and Underlying Causes

Homeless youth on the Westside of Los Angeles have significant unaddressed health issues, including mental health problems, substance abuse and unmet acute and chronic health needs



Project Description

Create a new clinic that delivers socially sensitive and accessible health services at a local Drop-In Center where homeless youth obtain survival services.

Goal and Objectives

Goal: Improve the health status of homeless youth in LA who currently do not access medical services by improving access to care and creating a positive patient experience for this population.

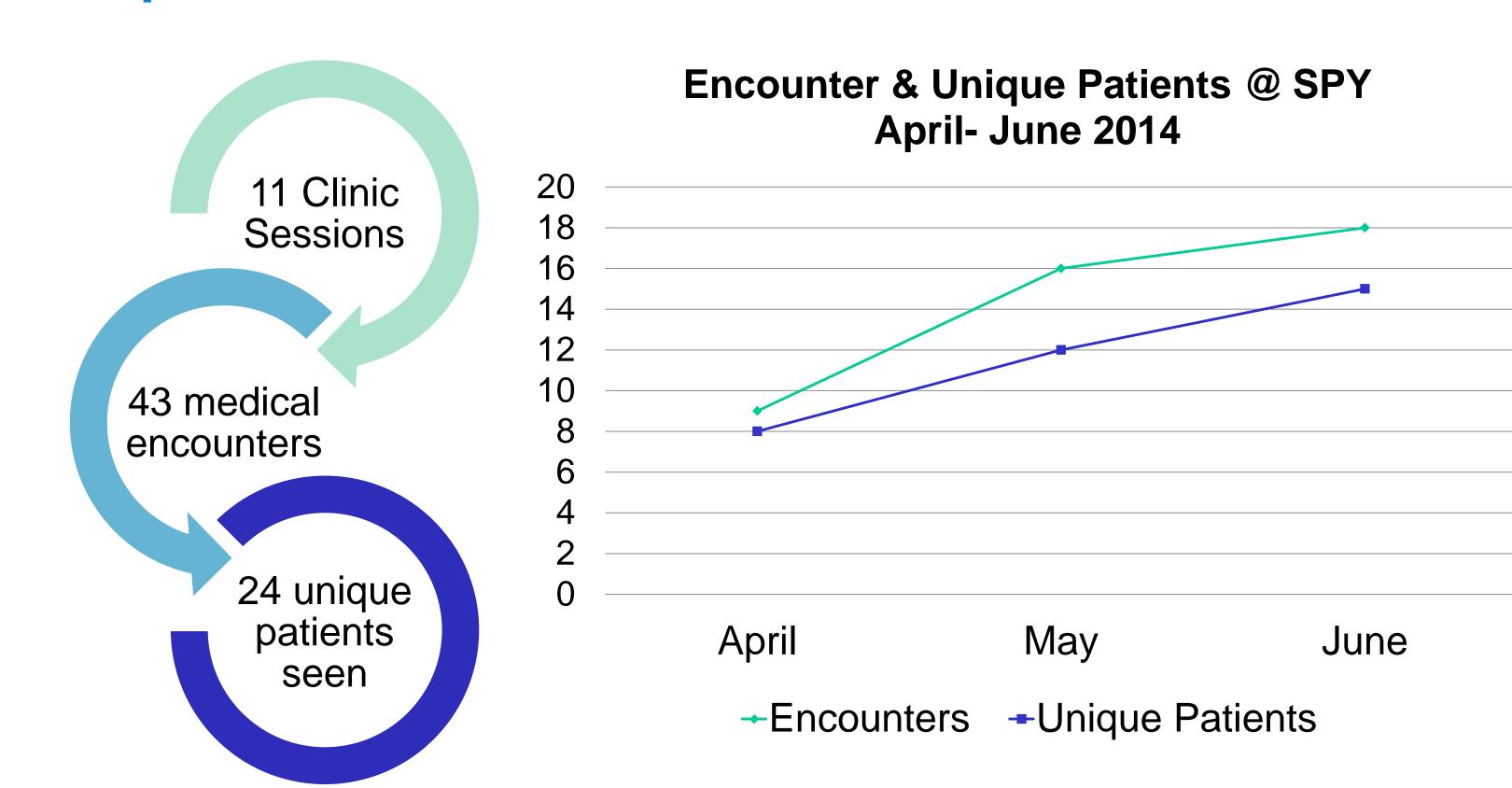
Output-oriented Objective: Improve health access for 100 homeless youth in the first 12 months of the project as measured by utilization rates.

Outcome-oriented Objectives:

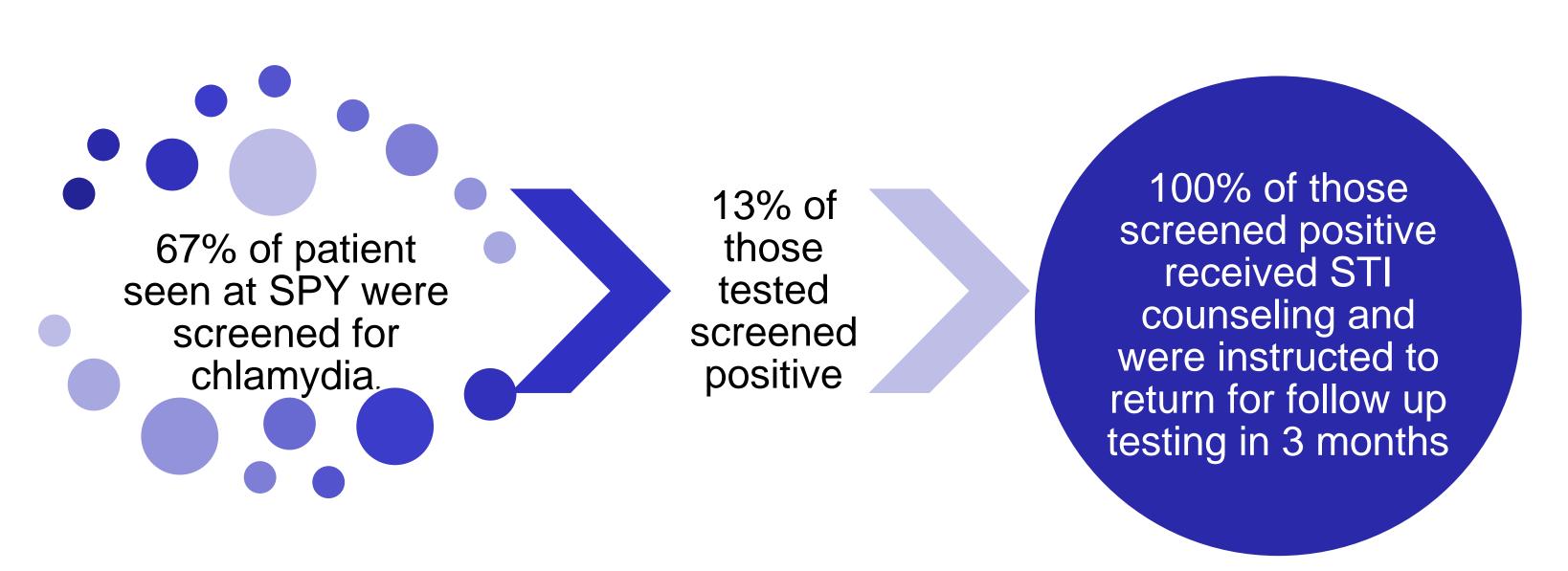
- A. Using chlamydia reinfection rates as a health access proxy, reduce chlamydia reinfection rates by 50% in the first year.
- B. Reduce unnecessary ED utilization by 25% by April 2015 by providing accessible services.

Outputs & Outcomes

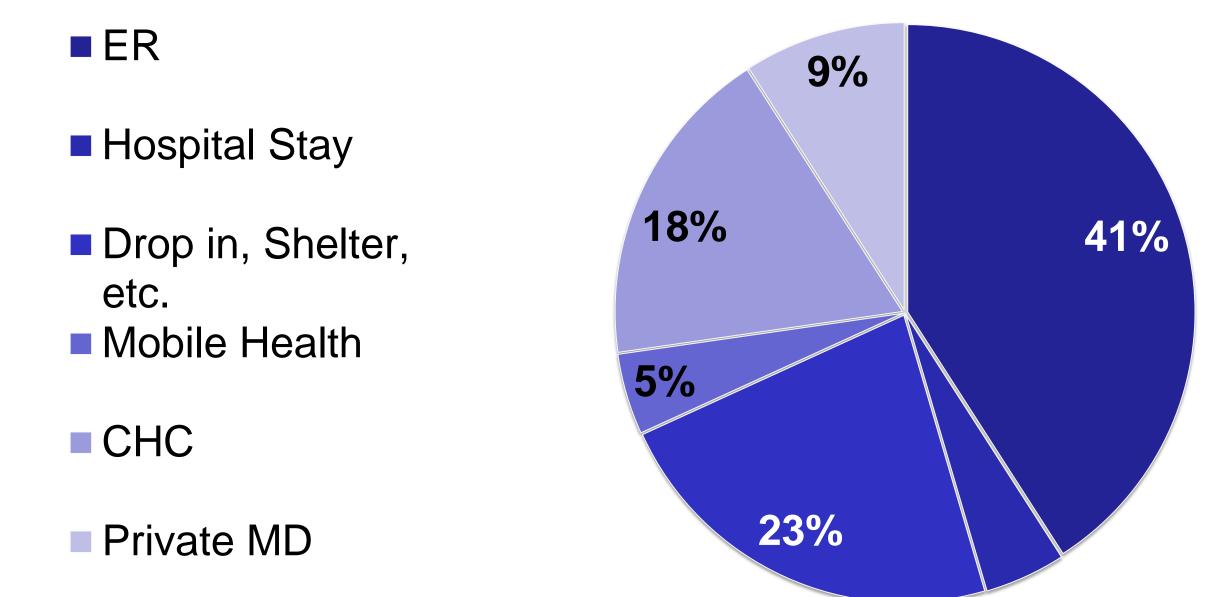
Outputs Achieved



Outcomes Achieved



Where did you last seek medical care? (Survey Results: March- June 2014)



Lessons Learned

Find a secure location for your project: we are being asked to relocate in January 2015.

Local hospitals are the financial beneficiaries of this clinic. Be sure they know this.

A successful and popular project benefits the entire organization.

Despite the ACA, there are still significant gaps in health care coverage, especially for persons experiencing homelessness.



About the Venice Family Clinic

Venice Family Clinic is the medical home for over 24,000 low income, uninsured and homeless families and individuals each year in Los Angeles. We serve everyone from pregnant women, infants and teens to parents, seniors and those with disabilities.



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