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Introduction

- MSW – Dual majors, administration/clinical & specialize in substance use treatment for the corrections population
- PhD – Adult Education – specialize in work force development & social services system improvement
- Division of Public and Behavioral Health - October 2018
 - Specialize in evidence-based practices for the corrections population
- Nevada Department of Corrections - 2011
 - Director of the statewide Substance Abuse Treatment Program
 - Quality Assurance Manager for the Behavioral Health Programs
- Oregon Department of Corrections - 2000
 - Treatment Coordinator & Contract Manager for the statewide residential substance abuse treatment programs

- Oregon DOC – trained on the criminogenic model & worked with internationally renowned criminal justice experts:
 - Dr. Kevin Knight, Texas Christian University, Institute of Behavioral Research
 - Dr. Michael Prendergast, UCLA, NIDA-funded Criminal Justice Drug Abuse Treatment Studies
 - Dr. Ed Latessa, University of Cincinnati Corrections Institute – [Correctional Program Checklist](#)
- Nevada DOC:
 - Redesigned the entire substance use treatment system & took the program from “ineffective” & decertified by the Parole Board to “effective” & nationally recognized
 - Worked with LCB on the [PEW-MacArthur Results First Initiative](#) which is a framework for state & county leaders to use rigorous evidence & data to guide policy & funding decisions
 - Co-Principle Investigator on two Second Chance Act Comprehensive Statewide Adult Recidivism Reduction Program grants - worked with Dr. Roni Dahir, Director of the Grant Sawyer Center for Justice Studies. Some goals/objectives:
 - Develop formalized collaborative partnerships with community providers, agencies, & families of returning citizens
 - Validate Nevada Risk Assessment System (NRAS) for Nevada’s correctional population
 - Integrate NRAS into a seamless data management system for use with DOC, P&P, and Community Partners
 - Adopt & validate existing evidence-based programming for the Nevada corrections population

Correctional Program Checklist (CPC)

- CPC is a tool developed by UCCI for assessing how well correctional intervention programs adhere to the known principles of evidence-based practices for the corrections population (CPC - revised 2015; retitled CPC 2.0)
- UCCI has assessed approximately 1,000 programs:
 - Prison/community, adult/juvenile, male/female
 - Has developed a large database on correctional intervention programs
- CPC can be used to: design, develop, fund, evaluate, redesign, & improve programs
 - 2011 DOC used the instrument evaluate & redesign the substance abuse treatment programs

CPC

1. Capacity

- Measure whether a correctional program has the capability to deliver evidence-based interventions & services for offenders.
- 3 Domains:
 1. Program leadership & development
 2. Staff characteristics
 3. Quality assurance

2. Content

- Evaluates the extent to which the program primarily meets the RNR principles
- It has 2 domains:
 1. Offender assessment
 2. Treatment characteristics

Rating scale:

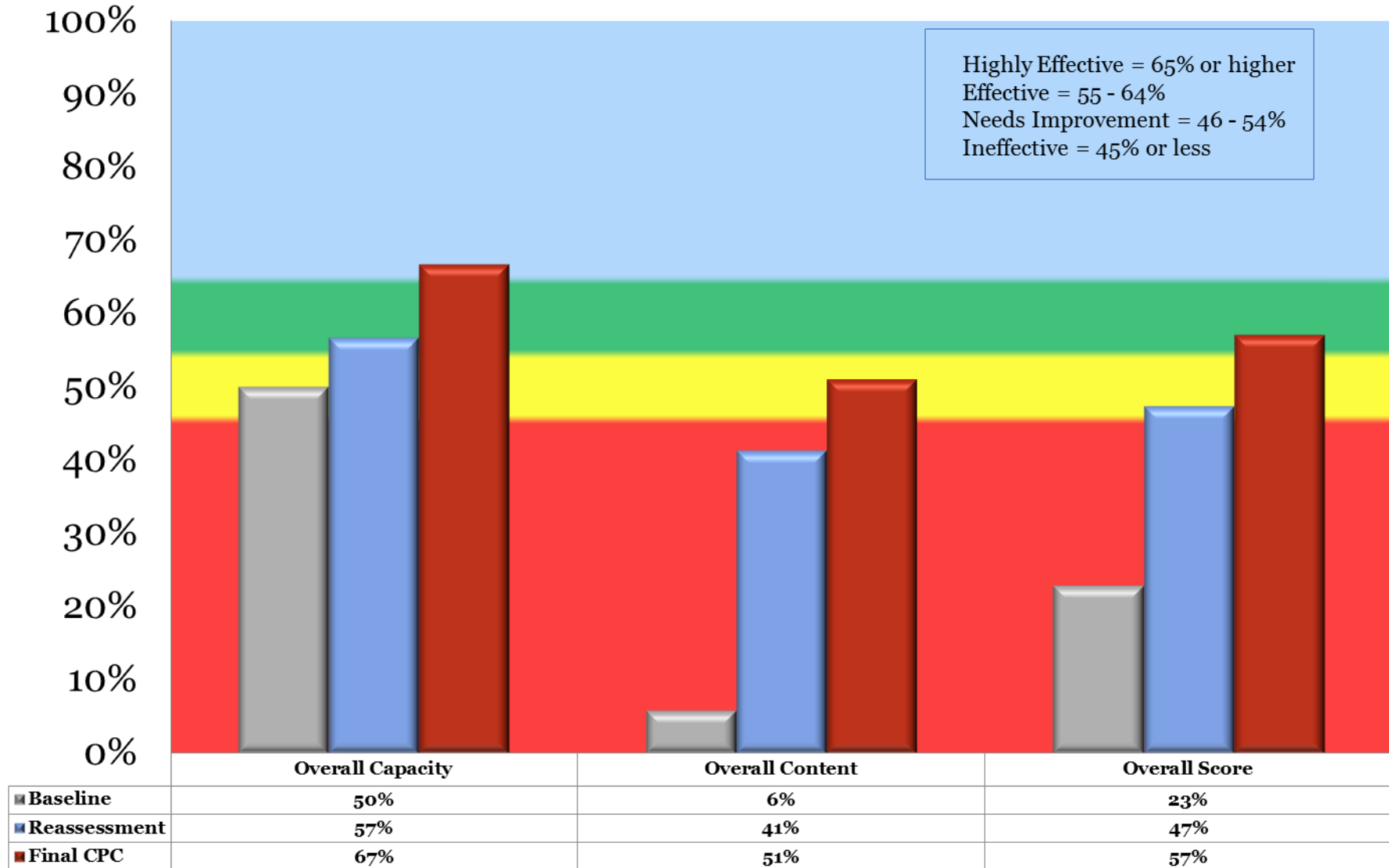
CPC

- 77 indicators; 83 max. total points
- Highly Effective = 65% or higher
- Effective = 55-64%
- Needs Improvement = 46-54%
- Ineffective = 45% or less

Note: CPC 2.0

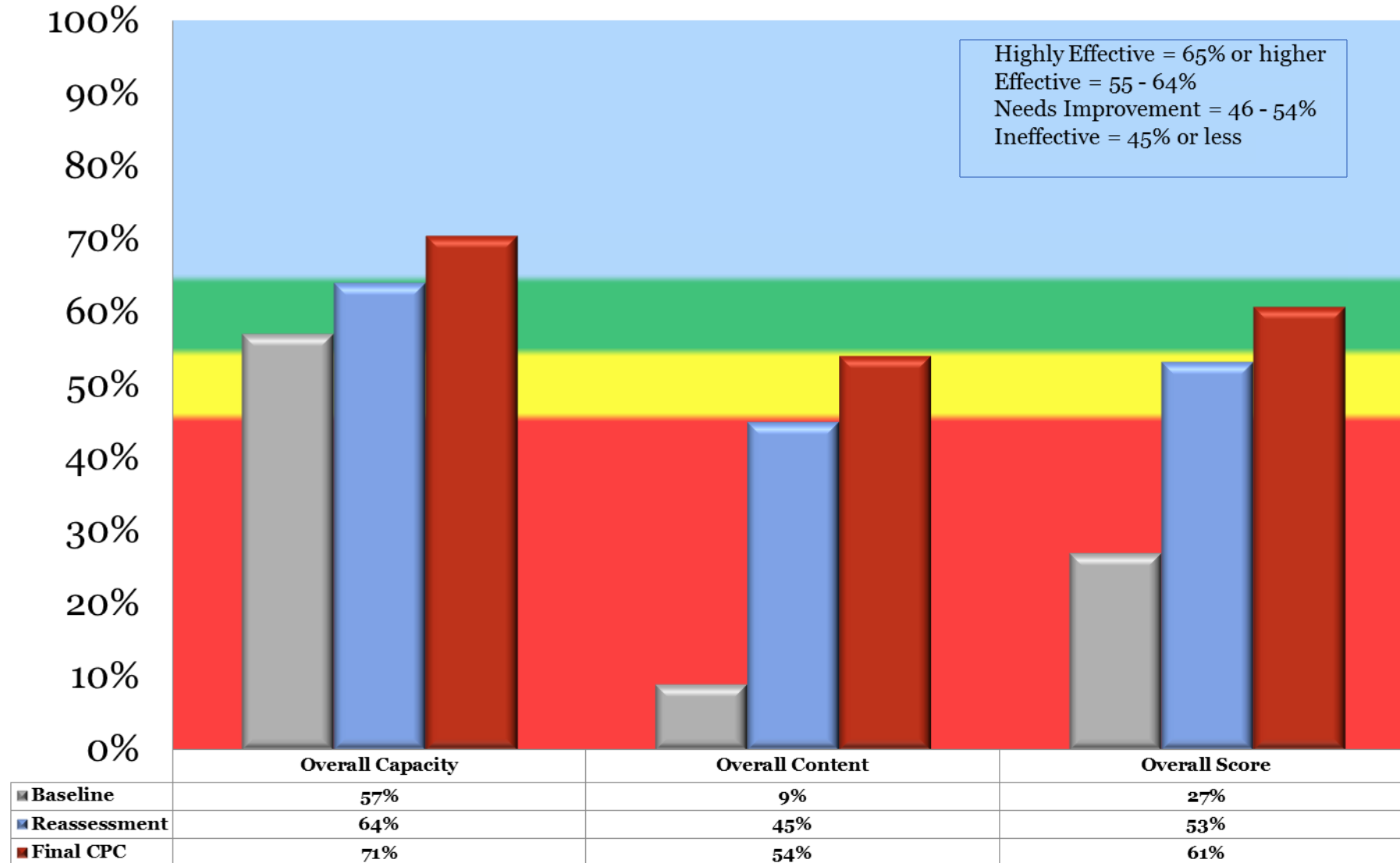
- 73 indicators; 79 max. total points
- Very High Adherence = 65% or higher
- High Adherence = 55-64%
- Moderate Adherence = 46-54%
- Low Adherence = 45% or lower

Phoenix Baseline to Current



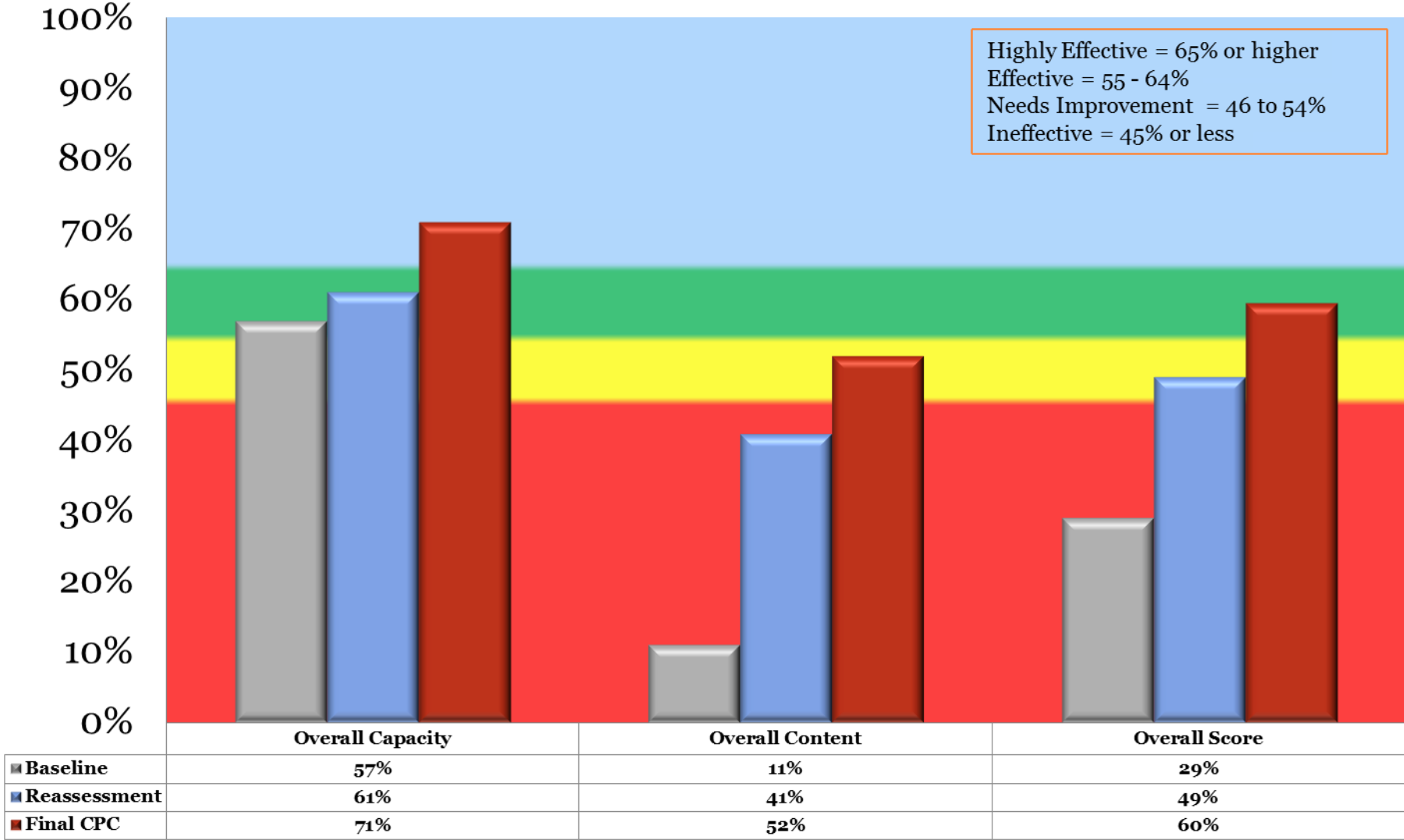
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Baseline to Current

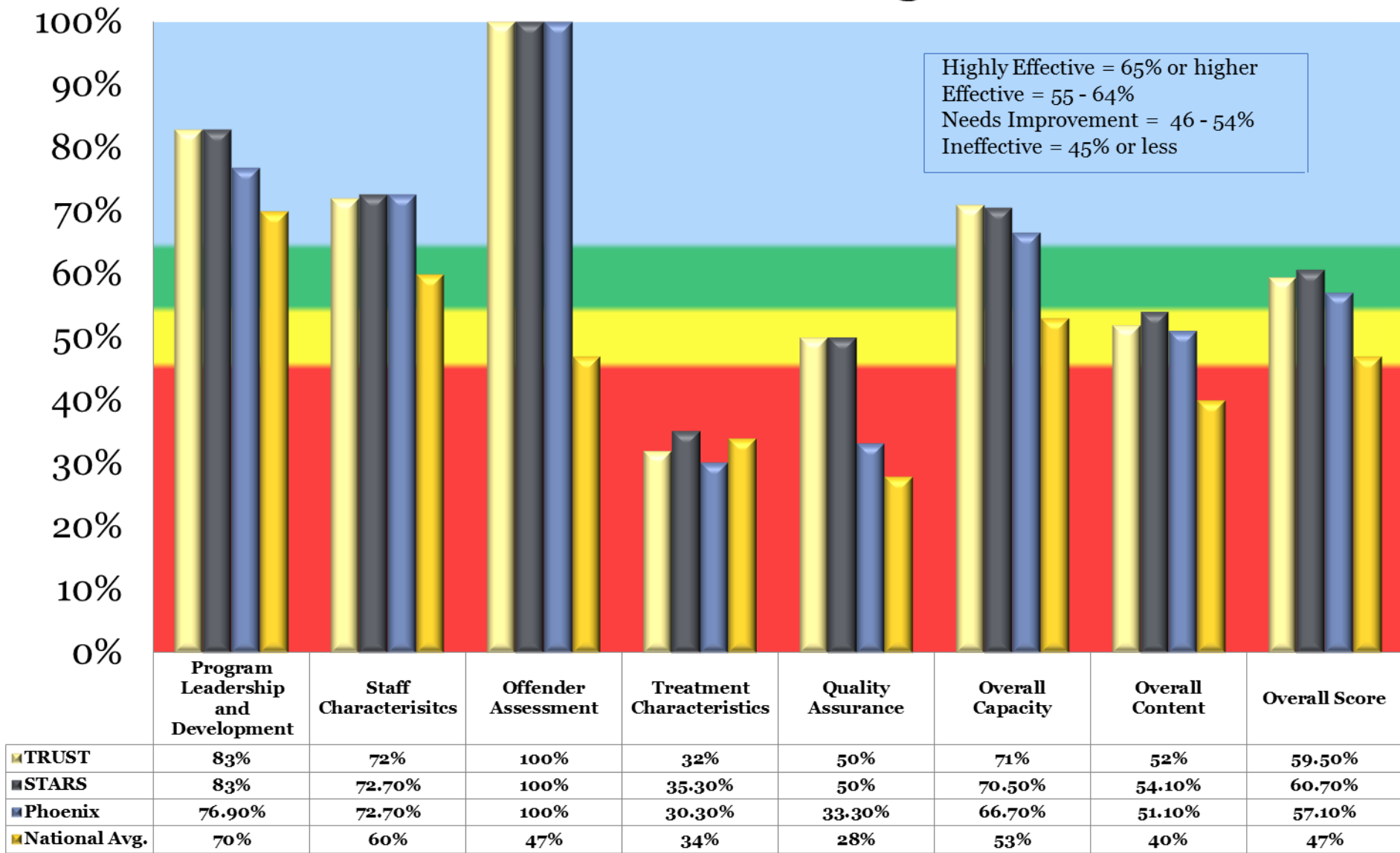


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Baseline to Current



NDOC Comparison to National Average



SAMPLE - PEW Condensed Program Inventory

Program Title	Program Description	Oversight Agency	Program Duration	Primary Participant Population	Criminogenic Target	Rating
Anger & Aggression	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC	10 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending with anger issues	Antisocial cognition	Promising
Anger: Creating New Choices	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC	11 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending with anger issues	Antisocial cognition	Promising
Anger Management for Substance Abuse and Mental Health Clients	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC	12 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending with co-occurring substance abuse and mental health issues	Antisocial cognition	Promising
Certified Screen Printer	Targets recidivism & employment: Teaches skills needed for a specific industry	DOC	6 months	Any criminogenic risk level and lacking marketable job skills	Employment	Promising
Challenge	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC/ Coal Canyon School District	36 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending	Antisocial cognition	Promising
Clark County Parenting Program	Targets recidivism: Prevents child abuse/maltreatment and neglect	Clark Co. Dept of Family Services Parenting Project	18 sessions	Parents in Clark County facilities who are at high risk for child abuse and neglect and who are preparing for reentry	Antisocial cognition/Family	Effective
Commitment to Change	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC	32 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending	Antisocial cognition	Promising
Employment Skills	Targets recidivism: Provides employment skills training	DOC	5 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending and preparing for reentry	Employment	Promising
Forward Thinking (Youth)	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC/ Coal Canyon County School District	36 sessions	Juveniles with moderate to very high risk of reoffending	Antisocial cognition	Promising
Getting it Right: Contributing to the Community	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC	25 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending and preparing for reentry	Antisocial cognition	Promising
Getting Motivated to Change	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC	4 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending	Antisocial cognition	Effective
Good Intentions, Bad Choices	Targets recidivism: Changes criminal thinking and behavior	DOC	15 sessions	Moderate to very high risk of reoffending	Antisocial cognition	Promising
Healing and Empowerment Rights for Every Survivor	Offers healing from traumatic events	Rape Crisis Center	12 sessions	Men who have been sexually assaulted	Mental Health	Not Rated
Healthy Steps to Freedom	Targets substance abuse relapse	University of Nevada	14 sessions	Women at moderate to high risk of reoffending	Substance Abuse/Family	Not Rated