

Clark County RIMS Summary

- 26 people responded to the survey; 22 met the criteria for inclusion in the data analysis
A description of the 26 respondents' roles in the project is:
 - 17 Parent/Caregivers of children with special needs
 - 2 Community service providers
 - 3 Supervisors/Administrators
 - 1 Interested community member
 - 1 System of Care project leadership/management team/governing council
 - 2 Other (Youth facilitator, Commission for Public & Behavioral Health)
- Readiness score for participants was 3.45 out of 5.00; Clark County's score was above the average range and falling within the first standard deviation above the mean.
- The Clark County site received the highest ratings on items that reflect the involvement of families and the coordination/integration of community services.
- Of the 12 item ranked highest, 8 (67%) involve the role of the family in systems development; the remaining 6 address commitment to coordination, communication, and culturally responsive services.
- The majority of low ranking items fall into areas that delineate next steps, items including facets of the system of care that are not typically seen in early stages of implementation but would be expected in graduated SOC communities.

Ranking of Components

Commitment to Family & Youth Partnerships	3.63
Understanding Comprehensive Services Needs	3.58
Shared Goals across Stakeholders	3.54
Evaluation	3.26
Committed Stakeholders	3.21
Community Involvement	3.10

Clark County has rated their site highly on Commitment to Family & Youth Partnerships and Understanding Comprehensive Service's Needs. When considering the least ready area, the component of Community Involvement is the area where the most work is needed. However, it should be noted that 3 of the domains are scored quite high and the remaining 3 are respectably scored, indicating a good foundation on which to build a system of care.

Actions Steps

Most Ready:

- Families are willing to take on a lead role in taking the vision to reality.
- There is a commitment to measurement of progress and outcomes.
- There is a fully functioning advisory board or other group that represents key program partners, families, and youth.
- There is a strong family organization with resources to fully participate.
- A family organization was developed before funding.
- Families have been at the table throughout the visioning process.
- Training has been provided to parents to help them feel more confident advocating for themselves and others in the community.

- There is a mechanism for communicating to the community the goals and the progress toward those goals in developing a system of care.
- The agency that received the funds has a history of positive audits and has disclosed any fiduciary or subcontracted agent that will manage funds.
- There is a commitment to ensure that cultural and linguistic competence is represented in both conceptualization and implementation of all activities.

Least Ready:

- The community has dedicated sufficient resources to support cultural & linguistic proficiency.
- The community is being made aware of the potential services in order to be willing to support additional funding.
- Youth people are being provided support and training so that they can participate fully and comfortably in system of care planning, implementation oversight, and evaluation.
- There is an understanding of blending or braided funding & the willingness among the community agencies to share resources.
- The school district and medical professionals are in the collaborative agreement.
- There has been a comprehensive assessment within the community of where the gaps are in terms of resources.
- Everyone—community partners, leaders, families, and youth—understand the principles on which the new system will be built and share the same values.
- There are well trained, culturally competent, flexible personnel working in the system.
- There is a government body that is powerful and independent of any specific provider in the community.

Overall, the results of the initial readiness assessment of Clark County community are quite positive. The respondents' ratings indicate that there is a strong foundation on which to build a system of care.