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FY20 Foster Care Needs Assessment and Capacity Building Plans

Region 9

Presentation



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- Purpose of needs assessment and changes from last year.
- Key data from FY20 report on capacity for region.
- Goals from last year's strategic capacity building plan and discussion about needed updates, if any, to goals and strategies based on FY20 report.
- Other data in needs assessment and how you can use it.



Purpose of Needs Assessment

1. Provide a broad roadmap and overview of substitute care needs to:
 - a. Inform annual regional substitute care capacity meetings.
 - b. Inform provider efforts to build capacity.
 - c. Focus on getting more children placed closer to home in family settings.



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Changes From Last Year

1. Data provided on estimated daily beds needed rather than a volume of placements over the course of a year.
2. Forecast provided through next biennium (FY22) rather than for just next year.
3. Additional data points included.



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Data from FY20 Needs Assessment

Where Building Capacity Would Be Most Impactful

1. Collaborating to sustain or increase the rate of youth and children placed with relatives.
2. Increasing supply of basic/moderate placement services for youth and children.
3. Leveraging vacant but active foster home capacity to increase the number of children placed in their communities.



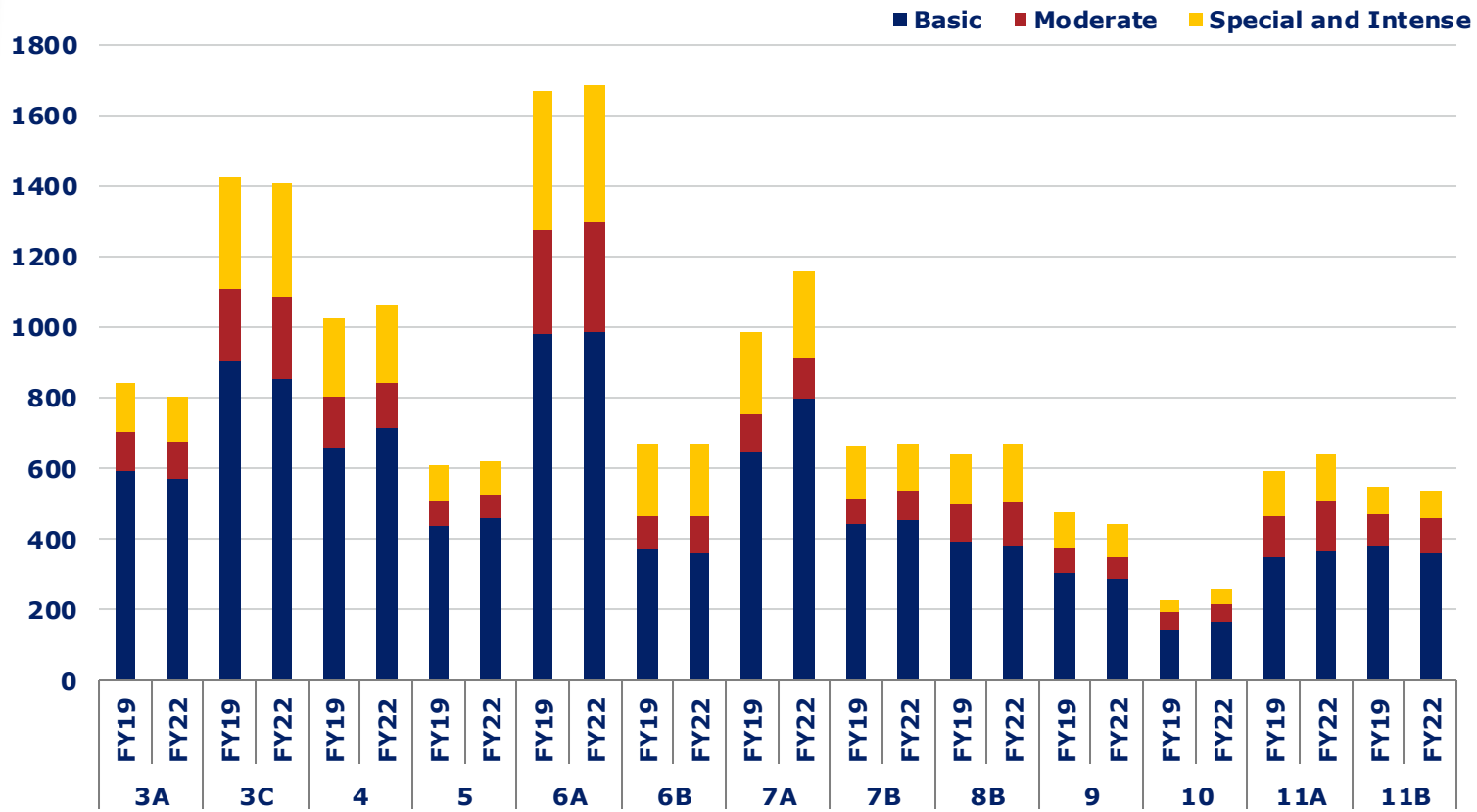
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Non-Relative Foster Care:

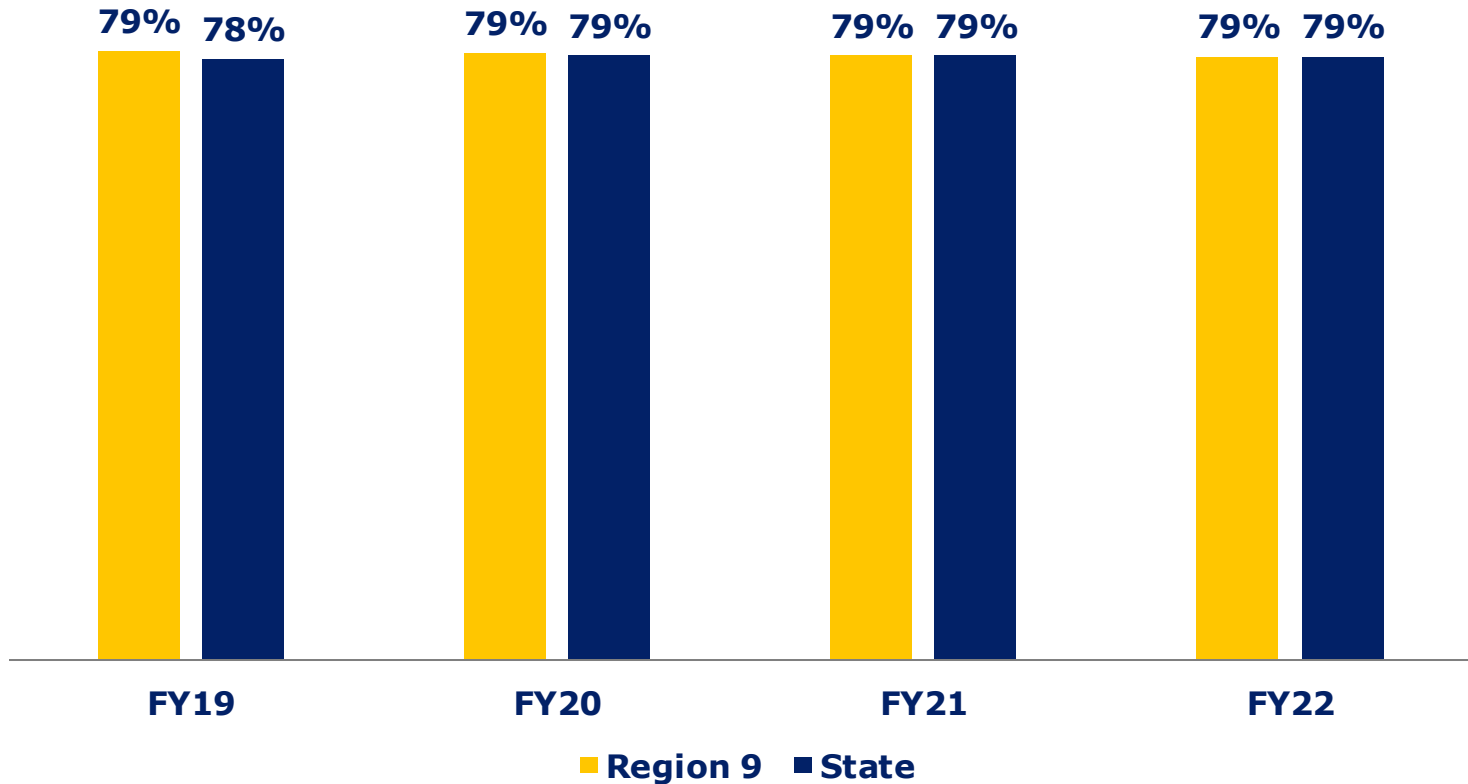
Only catchment areas 7A, 10, and 11A are forecasted to grow more than 5% from FY19 to FY22.





Basic/Moderate:

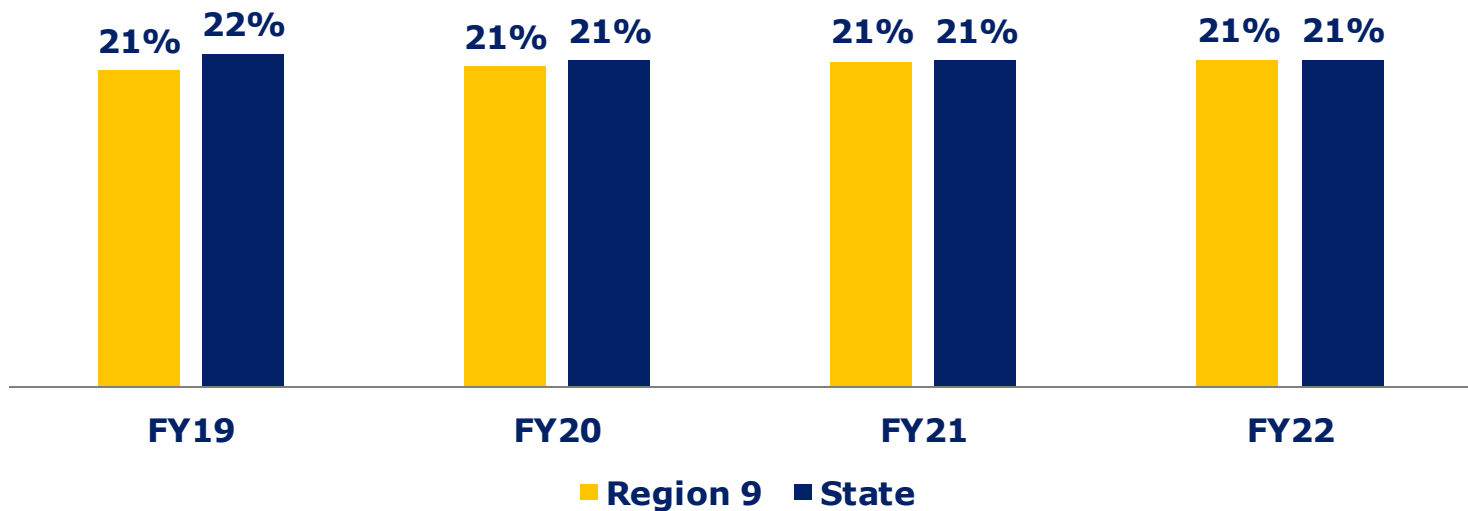
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Specialized/Intense:

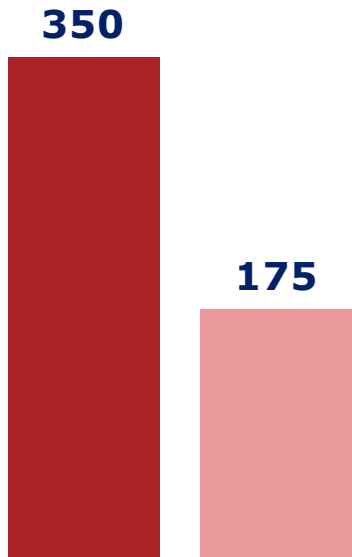
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Basic/Moderate: 50% of Forecasted Demand Met

Overall demand vs.
existing foster home
supply



Youth 14 and older vs.
existing foster home
supply

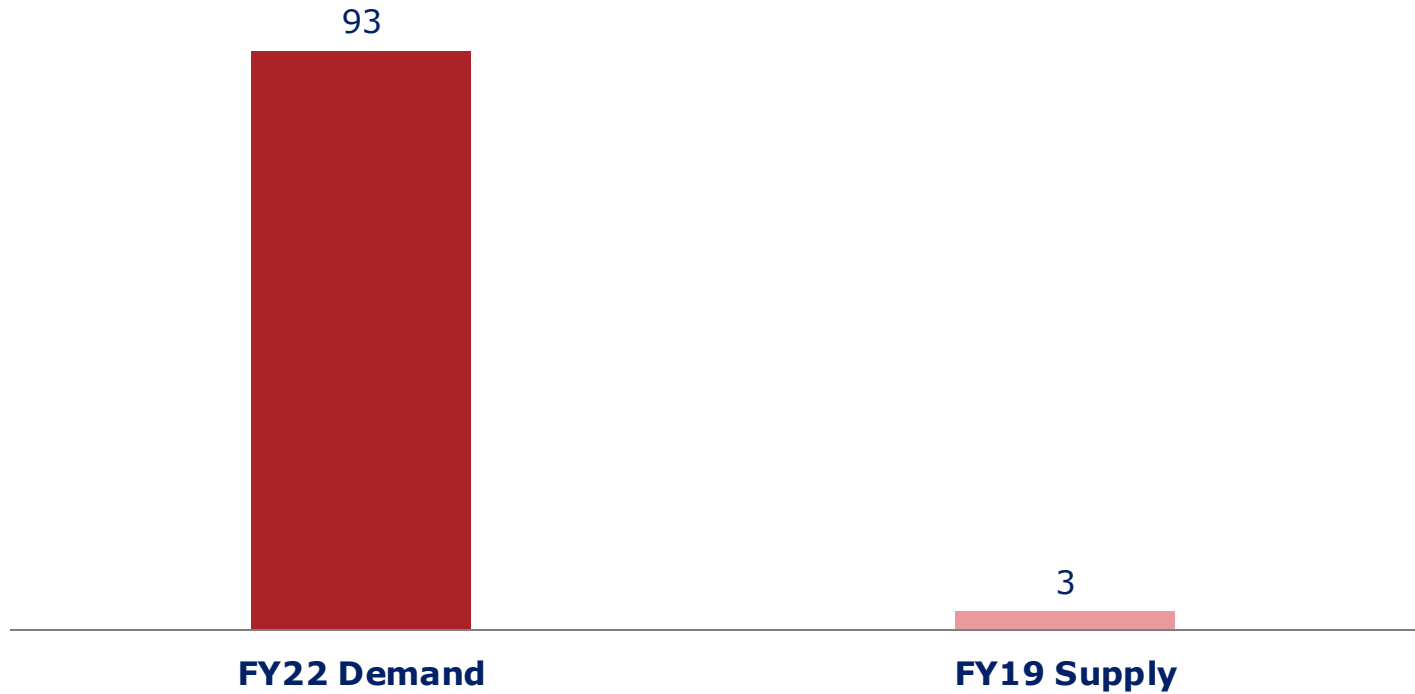


■ FY22 Demand ■ FY19 Supply ■ FY22 Demand ■ FY19 Supply



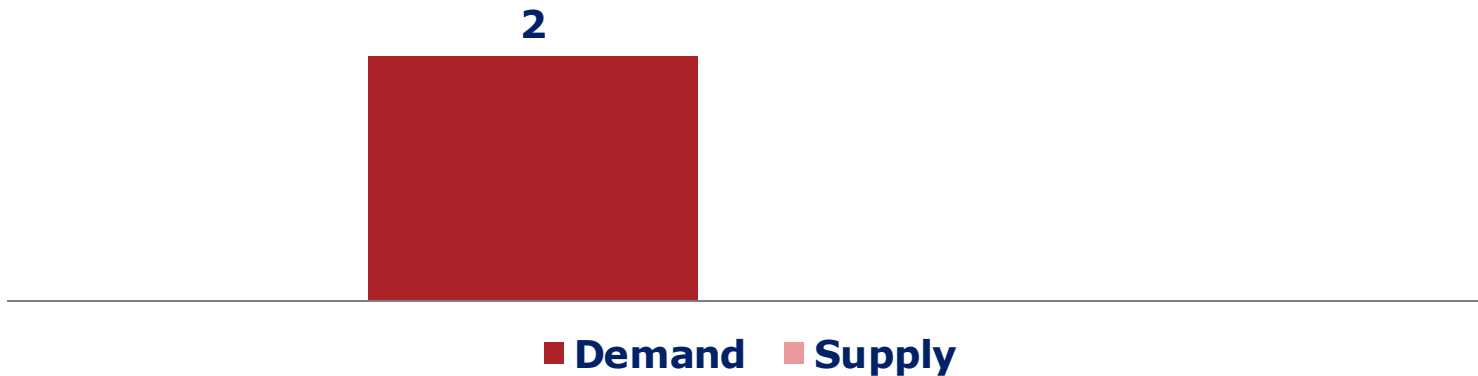
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Specialized/Intense: 3% of Forecasted Demand Met





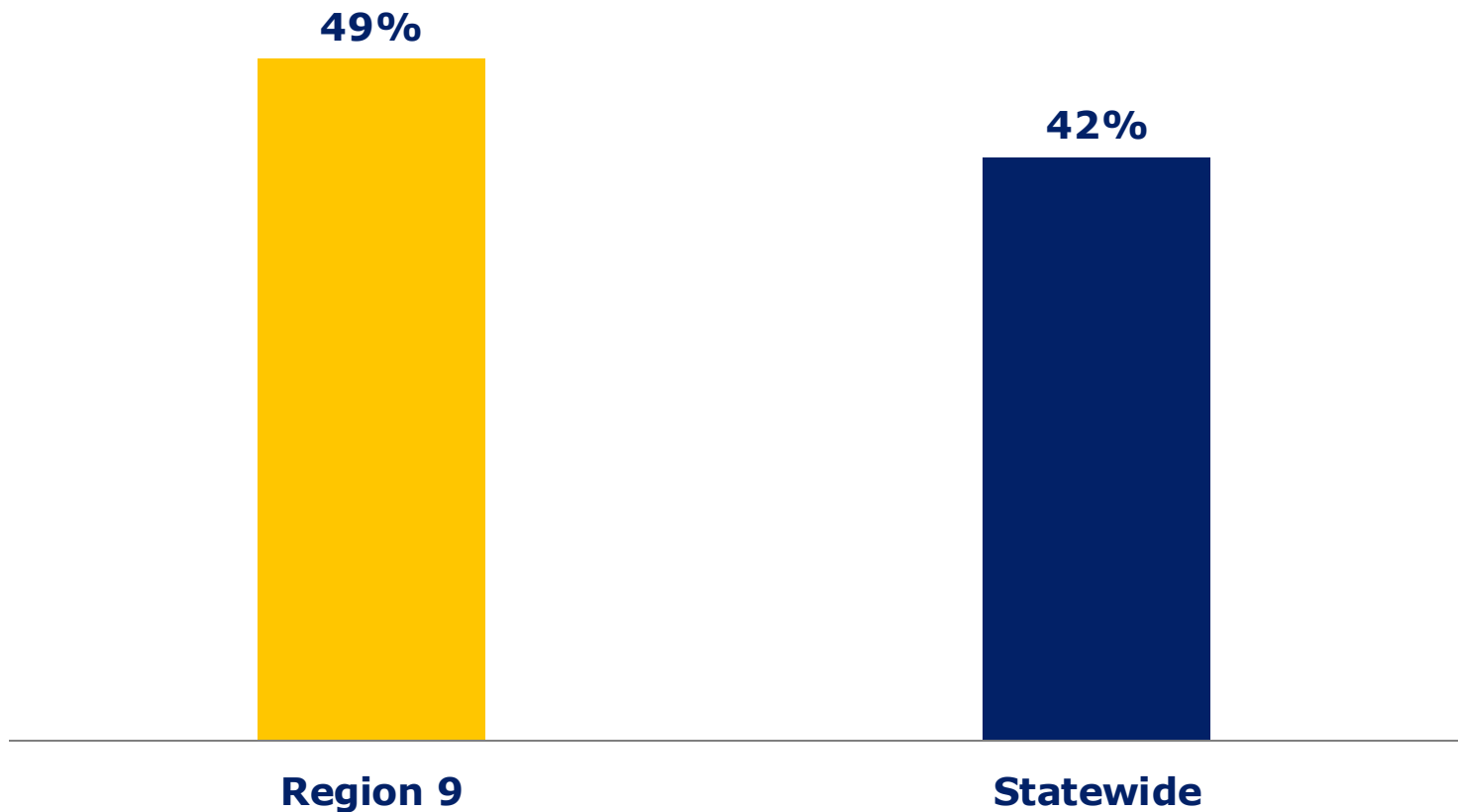
Supervised Independent Living (SIL): Forecasted Demand with No Current Supply



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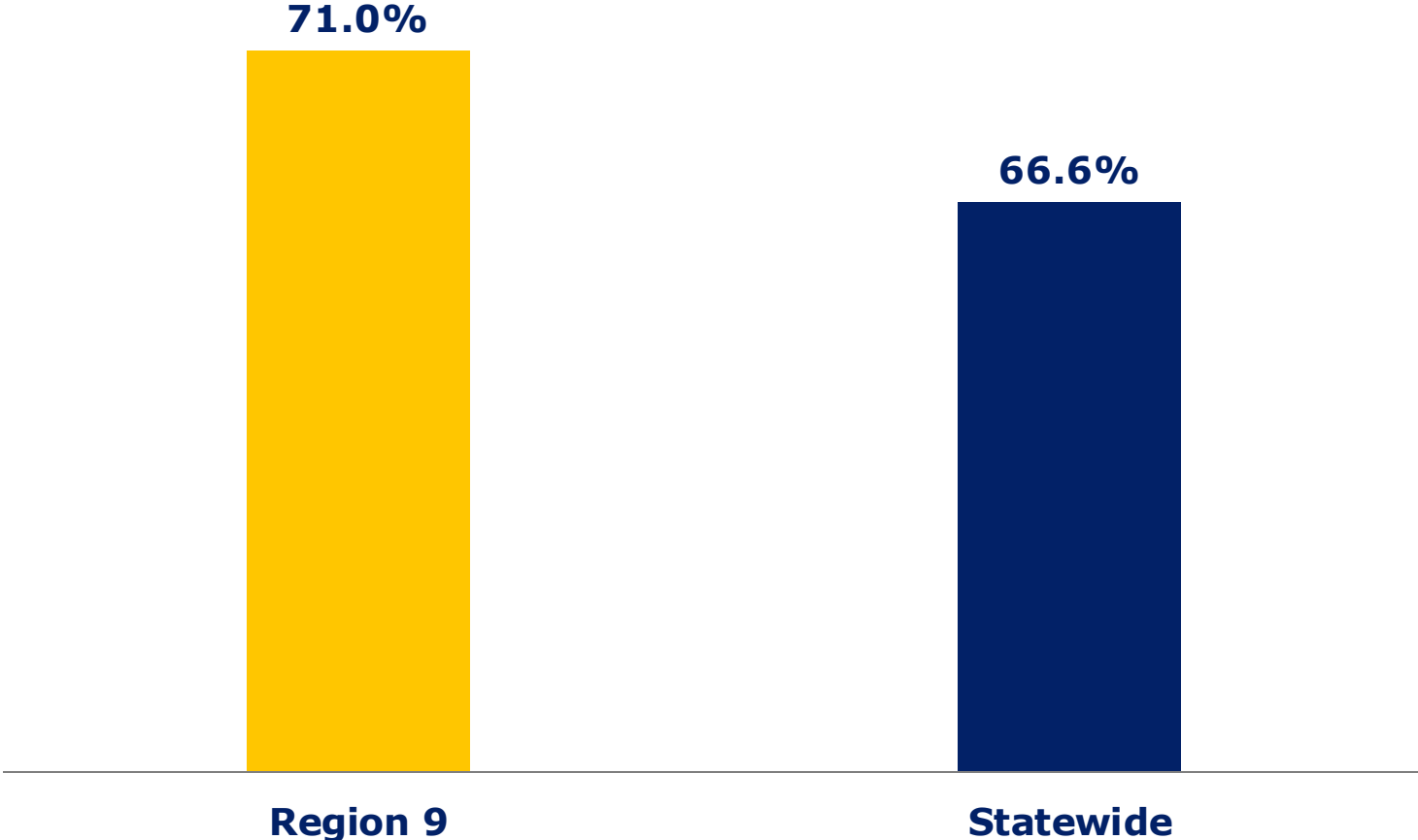
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Percent of Siblings Placed Together



At the end of August 2019. Sourced from DFPS Data Warehouse.



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What's in the Needs Assessment?

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- Active but vacant foster homes and beds in each catchment that may possibly be leveraged for additional supply without building new homes.
 - Foster homes active but vacant on August 31, 2019 but with at least one placement in last 12 months.
 - Average number of children per foster home on August 31, 2019 (by level of care) – generally 2 or less but homes usually verified for more.
- Ratio of DFPS homes to private provider foster homes and number of total and large private CPAs in each catchment.
 - Identify areas where there may or may not be providers who have needed resources to leverage economies of scale to support building new homes, especially for higher needs children.

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- Tables showing cross-catchment placements for each placement type by level of care – includes children from CBC areas placed into non-CBC areas and placements from non-CBC areas into CBC areas.
- Help inform how cross-catchment placements may affect capacity needs with roll out of CBC and building legacy foster care capacity.

Goals and Strategies



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Goal 1: Timely Connection with Potential Foster Parents

Objective: Focused Informational Meetings & Follow Up

- Structure informational meetings to ensure packets from each CPA are available to participants.
- Allow ample time during informational meetings to provide technical assistance for participants in filling out applications.
- Structure a universal process for each Child Placing Agency (CPA) which outlines timeframes and methods of following up with applicants.
- Gather information from local Foster Care Forums on recommendations for improvement in customer care.
- CPAs will share strategies to improve customer service.
- Identify tenured foster parents from each CPA who can provide support and assistance to interested applicants.



Goal 2: Increase Emergency Placements

Objective: Providers Will Seek Increased Capacity

- Each CPA has agreed to increase capacity in this area.
- High Sky will develop a plan to utilize campus homes to meet the challenges of teens with higher level of care.

Goal 3: Create a Marketing Plan



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Objective: Increase Awareness

- Utilize the various social media outlets currently available.
- Conduct outreach to specific organizations to allow information sharing and informational meetings.
- Develop video announcements in social media outlets.
- Expand informational meetings to other counties.
- The Attic will provide assistance and guidance in this outreach.



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Thank You

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