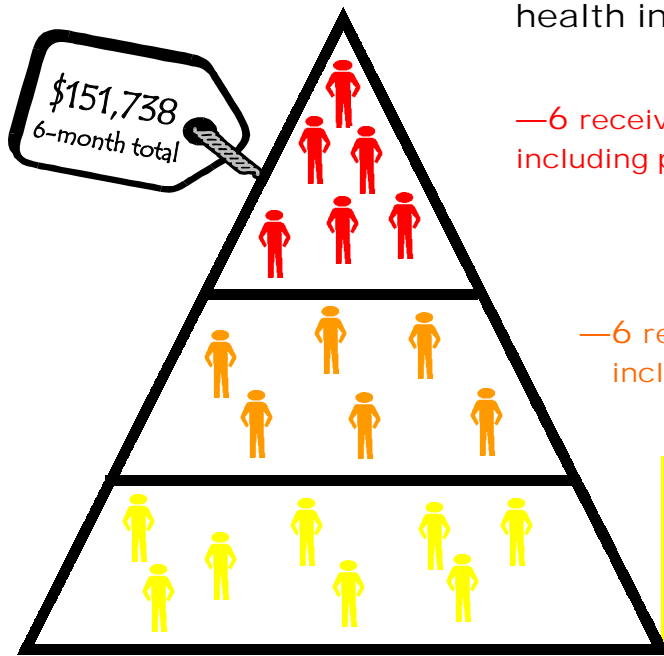


A longitudinal cost impact report of southwestern WV children receiving Medicaid-funded mental health services shows **cost reduction with improved clinical outcomes** for a representative sample of children and adolescents followed in the Mountain State Family Alliance System of Care.

### From 6 months prior to System of Care...

The cost represents Medicaid & State funds for mental health inpatient /outpatient services for 20 boys & girls



—6 receiving intensive services,  
including psychiatric hospitalization & residential treatment

—6 receiving mental health services for some time,  
including some intensive outpatient services

—8 who have never received mental health  
services, who have just begun receiving services,  
or are receiving non-intensive "maintenance" level  
of services.

### ...to 18 months in a System of Care

The cost represents Medicaid & State funds for mental health in/out patient services, plus MSFA flex funding, services & supports, for the same 20 boys & girls  
**(63% reduction in cost)**

2 —  
receiving intensive services, non-traditional services and  
supports, & short-term psychiatric hospitalization

8 —  
receiving a variety of individualized  
services & supports

10 —  
receiving non-intensive level of services & supports

