

State Grants to Enhance Adult Protective Services Grantee Meeting

Increasing the Quality or Quantity of NAMRS Submissions

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Purpose and Approach

Purpose

The purpose of this session is to discuss the requirement for increasing the quality or quantity of NAMRS submissions.

Approach

- Overview of NAMRS reporting
- ACL's requirement for grantees related to NAMRS improvements
- Individual states NAMRS goals
- Anticipated barriers and needed support to meet NAMRS goals

National Adult Maltreatment Reporting System



The goal of NAMRS is to collect consistent, accurate national data on the exploitation and abuse of older adults and adults with disabilities, as reported to state APS agencies.

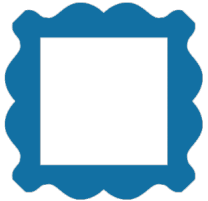
Why did ACL implement NAMRS?



Data is the key to unlocking many doors to improving APS services.

- Broader understanding of what APS does
- Advocacy for resources and improvement
- Research and evaluation
- Best practice and service innovation

How Does NAMRS Benefit States?

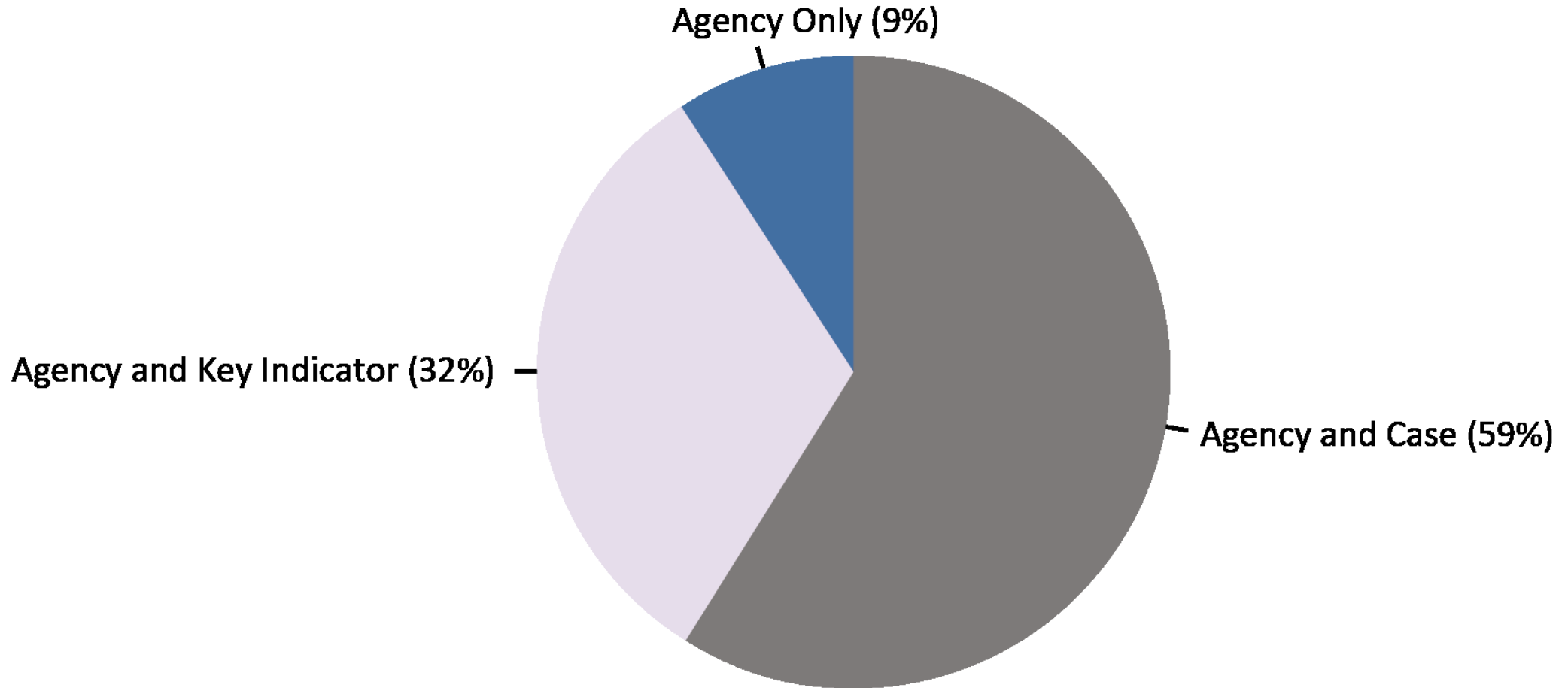


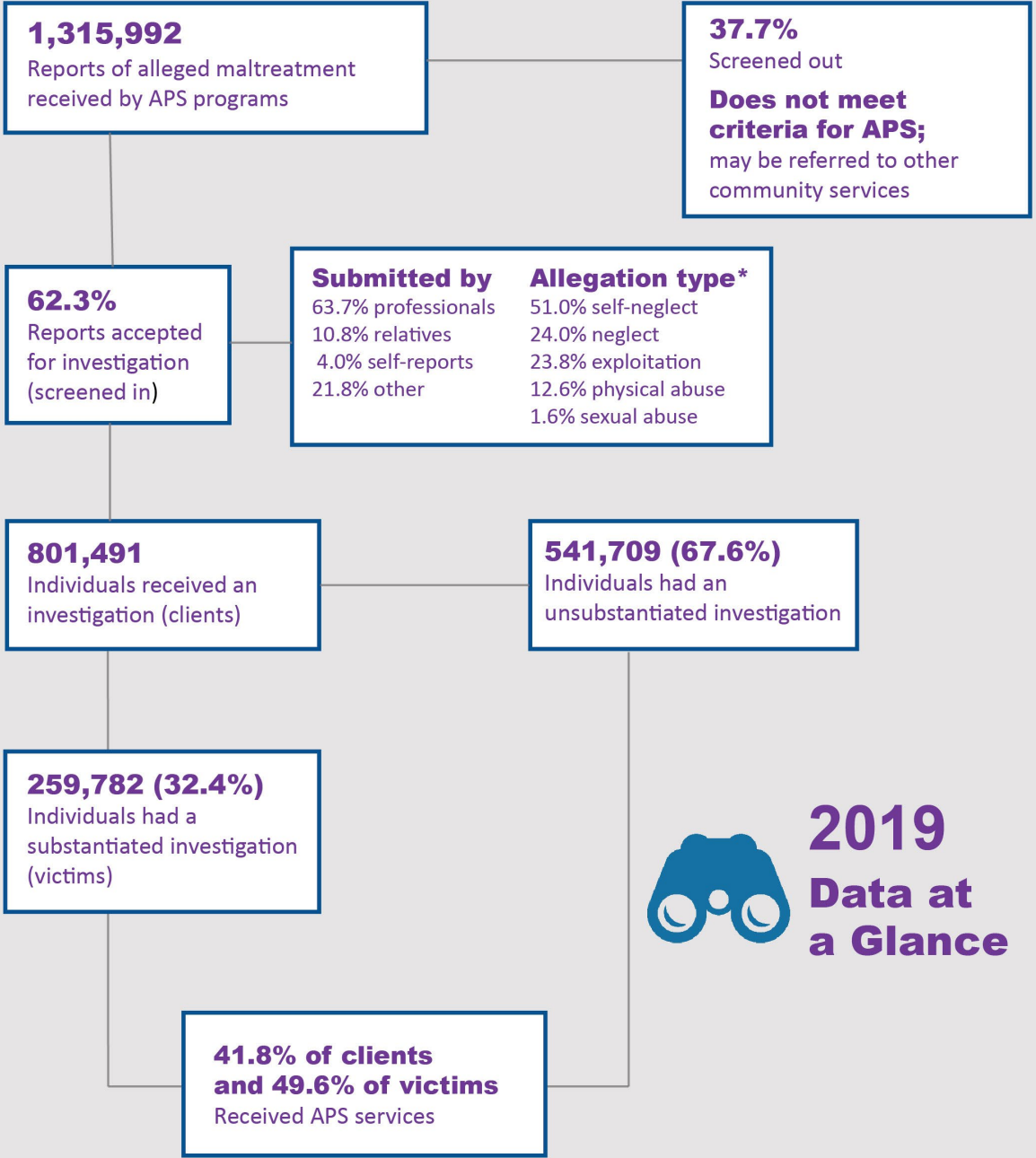
- Provides a framework, based on national experts, of what data is important to APS programs



- Process of providing data creates opportunities to self-examine and improve
 - The detailed data reports from their NAMRS portal provides program insight.
 - Creates opportunities for states to refine and enhance APS data collection systems
 - Beginning next year, data will probably be available for cross-state comparisons to identify opportunities for program improvement

2019 Agency Participation by Component Type





 **2019**
Data at a Glance

*Reports may contain more than one allegation.

Data Gap Analysis Findings Summary

The number of states providing case component data is slowly increasing, up to almost two-thirds.

Data gap/quality was examined across five factors:

1) Timeliness

With few exceptions, data is submitted on a timely basis.

2) Completeness

There is significant variation across states and across data elements

- **States:** Few states provide most data elements; those that do tend to have more gaps in their data. Those that provide fewer data elements have fewer gaps.
- **Data Elements:** Only demographic elements have very complete data. Client and victim data has fewer gaps than perpetrator and perpetrator relationship data.

3) Consistency and

4) Accuracy

- Validation rules and edit checks help ensure consistency across data elements but do not check for accuracy.
- Unique identifiers are almost always being used correctly
- Use of “other” indicates it is sometimes used inappropriately and suggests that data categories could be improved for a few variables.

5) Representativeness

- 85% of the 52 states submitted data; they accounted for 72% of the APS-eligible population in the U.S.
- There are limited number of data elements, mostly demographic, for which we can determine representativeness.

ACL Grant Requirements Related to NAMRS

Purpose: The purpose of ACL’s “State Grants to Enhance Adult Protective Services” is to strengthen and enhance state APS systems. This funding opportunity promotes innovations and improvements in APS practices, services, and data collection that are consistent with ACL’s mission and incorporate a consumer-directed approach. This approach for APS means APS practices hold self-determination and self-direction as fundamental values, and APS interventions are rooted in people’s strengths, assets, goals, culture, wishes, and expectations. With this funding, **states will also review the capacity of their current APS information systems and determine how they can improve the quality and quantity of data reported to NAMRS.**

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Goal: This funding opportunity is designed to assist states in strengthening their adult protective services (APS) systems statewide, to include innovations and improvements in practice, services, **and data collection and reporting.** ACL invites applications that seek to achieve (1) improvements in the experiences, health, well-being, and outcomes of the individuals served by APS and (2) **improvements in the state's ability to document and report APS case, client, and perpetrator characteristics and services in a manner that is consistent with the National Adult Maltreatment Reporting System (NAMRS).**

Grantee Discussion Question 1

Please describe how you plan to meet the ACL grant requirements related to NAMRS.

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Grantee Discussion Question 2

Please describe anticipated barriers to meeting your NAMRS related goal?

Grantee Discussion Question 3

Please describe how the APS TARC can assist you in meeting your ACL goal.

Questions?



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