

January 24, 2023

The Honorable Katie Hobbs
Governor of Arizona
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The Honorable Warren Petersen
President of the Arizona State Senate
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The Honorable Ben Toma Arizona
Speaker of the Arizona State House of Representatives
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Dear Governor Hobbs, President Petersen, and Speaker Toma:

House Bill 2691 (Laws 2022, Chapter 330) requires AHCCCS to submit a report on the status of Maricopa County Community College District (MCCCD) and Northland Pioneer Community College (NPCC) to expand behavioral health workforce training programs in Maricopa and Navajo Counties. Specifically, AHCCCS must report the following:

1. The number and type of behavioral health programs created at each community college district, including the number and type of programs at each individual community college in the district,
2. The number of students supported financially in each program at each individual community college, and
3. The number of students completing each program by type of program and at each specific community college.

Tables 1A and 1B display the number and type of behavioral health programs created at each community college district, including the number and type of programs at each individual community college in the district. Table 1A presents MCCCDs current status and Table 1B NPCC's current status.

Tables 2A and 2B report the number of students supported financially in each program at each individual community college and by district.

Tables 3A and 3B report the number of students completing each program by type of program and at each specific community college and by district. (Please note: Tables 3A and 3B are incomplete. At the time of this report, the 2023 Fall Semester has just ended. Student completion data will not be available until mid-January and will be included in next year's report.)

Table 1A. MCCCCD - Behavioral health programs created at each community college district, including the number and type of programs at each individual community college in the district.

Five (5) colleges within the Maricopa County Community College District currently offer behavioral health programs. Of these five (5), two (2) colleges, Phoenix Community College and South Mountain Community College, implemented new programs in 2023. Two additional colleges, Mesa Community College and Rio Salado Community College, plan to implement two new behavioral health programs in the 2024 Fall semester:

Table Legend	(Program Not Offered)	X (Program Currently Offered)	X – New (New Program – Implemented in 2023)	Fall 2024 (New Program – To be implemented)
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Maricopa County Community College District Behavioral Health Programs	Participating Colleges				
	Glendale CC	Mesa CC	Phoenix CC	Rio Salado CC	South Mtn. CC
Behavioral Health Sciences (4-year BS degree)					X- New
Counseling & Applied Psych. Science (AA)	X	X	X	X	X
Family Life Education (AA)	X	X	X	X	X
Psychology (AA)	X	X	X	X	X
Social Work (AA)	X	X	X	X	X
Addictions Substance Use Disorders (AAS)				X	
Behavioral Sciences (AAS)	X				X
Addictions Substance Use Disorders 1 (CCL)				X	
Addictions Substance Use Disorders 2 (CCL)				X	
Adolescent Studies (CCL)			X		
Advanced Behavioral Sciences (CCL)	X				X
Developmental Disabilities Specialist (CCL)	X				
Foundations of BH Science (CCL)	X		X - New	Fall 2024	X
Professional Addictions Counseling (CCL)				X	
Substance Abuse Prevention & Intervention (CCL)				X	
Victimology (CCL)	X	X	X	X	X
Workforce Development Foundations in Addictions & Substance Use (CCL) Psychiatric Technician				X	
		Fall 2024			
Total Behavioral Health Programs by College	9	5	6	11	8
Total New Behavioral Health Programs by College		1	1	1	1

Table 1B. NPCC - Behavioral health programs created at each community college district, including the number and type of programs at each individual community college in the district.

Since the project’s inception, NPCC has developed and implemented three (3) new behavioral health programs:

Northland Pioneer College Behavioral Health Programs	
Behavioral Health Studies (Associate of Applied Science)	
Behavioral Health Technician (Certificate of Applied Science)	
Behavioral Health (Certificate of Proficiency)	
Total Behavioral Health Programs = 3	
Total New Behavioral Health Programs = 3	

Table 2A. MCCCCD - The number of students supported financially in each program at each individual community college.

During Fall Semester 2023, the five MCCCCD (5) colleges financially supported 305 students participating in behavioral health programs. South Mountain Community Colleges’ newly-implemented four (4) year, B.S. degree program in Behavioral Health Science financially supports 139 students.

Behavioral Health Programs	Glendale CC	Mesa CC	Phoenix CC	Rio Salado CC	South Mtn. CC
Behavioral Health Sciences (4-year BS)					109
Counseling & Applied Psych. Science (AA)	4	7	5	4	0
Family Life Education (AA)	1	1	0	0	0
Psychology (AA)	18	4	15	7	3
Social Work (AA)	8	6	11	2	1
Addictions Substance Use Disorders (AAS)				35	
Behavioral Sciences (AAS)	29				21
Addictions Substance Use Disorders 1 (CCL)				2	
Addictions Substance Use Disorders 2 (CCL)				0	
Adolescent Studies (CCL)			0		
Advanced Behavioral Sciences (CCL)	6				1
Developmental Disabilities Specialist (CCL)	1				
Foundations of BH Science (CCL)	0		0	0	4
Professional Addictions Counseling (CCL)				0	
Substance Abuse Prevention & Intervention (CCL)				0	
Victimology (CCL)	0	0	0	0	0
Workforce Development Foundations in Addictions & Substance Use (CCL)				0	
Psychiatric Technician		0			
Total Students Financially Supported by College	67	18	31	50	139
Total Students Financially Supported by Maricopa County Community College District	305				

Table 2B. NPCC - The number of students supported financially in each program at each individual community college.

During Fall semester 2023, NPCC’s newly implemented two (2) year, Associates of Applied Science degree program in Behavioral Health Studies currently financially supports six (6) students.

Behavioral Health Programs	
Behavioral Health Studies (Associate of Applied Science)	6
Behavioral Health Technician (Certificate of Applied Science)	-
Behavioral Health (Certificate of Proficiency)	-
Total Students Financially Supported by Northland Pioneer College	6

Table 3A. MCCC – The number of students completing each program by type of program and at each specific community college.

At the time of this report, the 2023 Fall semester had just ended. Student completion data will not be available until mid-January.

Behavioral Health Programs	Glendale CC	Mesa CC	Phoenix CC	RioSalado CC	South Mtn. CC	
Behavioral Health Sciences (4-year BS)	*	*	*	*	*	
Counseling & Applied Psych. Science (AA)	*	*	*	*	*	
Family Life Education (AA)	*	*	*	*	*	
Psychology (AA)	*	Data not available until mid-January 2024.			*	
Social Work (AA)	*				*	
Addictions Substance Use Disorders (AAS)	*				*	
Behavioral Sciences (AAS)	*				*	
Addictions Substance Use Disorders 1 (CCL)	*				*	
Addictions Substance Use Disorders 2 (CCL)	*				*	
Adolescent Studies (CCL)	*				*	
Advanced Behavioral Sciences (CCL)	*				*	
Developmental Disabilities Specialist (CCL)	*				*	
Foundations of BH Science (CCL)	*		*	*	*	*
Professional Addictions Counseling (CCL)	*		*	*	*	*
Substance Abuse Prevention & Intervention (CCL)	*	*	*	*	*	
Victimology (CCL)	*	*	*	*	*	
Workforce Development Foundations in Addictions & Substance Use (CCL)	*	*	*	*	*	
Psychiatric Technician	*	*	*	*	*	
Total Students Completing Programs by College	*	*	*	*	*	
Total Students Completing Programs within Maricopa County Community College District	*					

Table 3B. NPCC – The number of students completing each program by type of program and at each specific community college.

At the time of this report, the 2023 Fall semester had just ended. Student completion data will not be available until mid-January 2024.

Northland Pioneer College Behavioral Health Programs	
Behavioral Health Studies (Associate of Applied Science)	*
Behavioral Health Technician (Certificate of Applied Science)	*
Behavioral Health (Certificate of Proficiency)	*
Total Students Completing Programs at Northland Pioneer College	TBD

If you have any questions regarding this report, please feel free to contact me at (602) 417-4458.

Sincerely,



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cc: The Honorable TJ Shope, Chairman, Senate Health and Human Services Committee
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