



Lifetime cross-system involvement of CSE Youth

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Purpose

- ▶ Describe the system involvement of youth identified as commercially sexually exploited or at high risk of CSE by Children's Administration
- ▶ Though there is great variability, in general we found that these youth are characterized by:
 - ▶ Many referrals to CA, often beginning at an early age, but (relatively) few “founded” referrals
 - ▶ Frequent placement changes, crisis treatment and runaway event
 - ▶ Early and frequent juvenile detention episodes
 - ▶ Difficulty engaging in Bridge Collaborative services



Administrative Data Sources

- ▶ Bridge Collaborative agencies
- ▶ King County Juvenile Court
- ▶ Children's Administration
- ▶ Washington State Center on Court Research



Methods

- ▶ 83 youth were identified by Children's Administration in DSHS Region 2 (King, Everett, Skagit, Whatcom, San Juan, and Island Counties). CSEC youth only identified in other regions are not included in this sample.
- ▶ Some youth were already engaged in services when identified, others were newly referred, and others were unable to be located (on the run)
- ▶ Data from Children's Administration linked to data provided by Bridge Collaborative, Washington Center on Court Research, and King County Juvenile Court
- ▶ (HUGE THANK YOU TO DATA MANAGERS!!)



Demographics of 83 Youth Identified within CA

	Frequency	Percent
Race		
White/Caucasian	48	57.8%
Black/African American	16	19.3%
Mixed Race	11	13.3%
American Indian/Alaskan Native	6	7.2%
Asian/Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander	2	2.4%
Ethnicity		
Hispanic	17	20.5%
Gender		
Female	74	89.2%
Male	9	10.8%



Demographics of 83 Youth Identified within CA

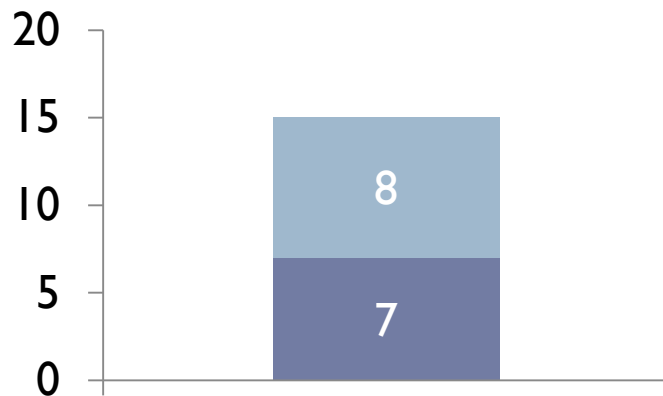
	Frequency	Percent
Exploitation status		
Confirmed	37	44.6%
Indicated	32	38.6%
At risk	14	16.9%
Referral status		
Within Bridge Collaborative service area		
Referred to Bridge Collaborative	46	55.4%
No referral (on the run/already in services/ other)	14	16.8%
Area outside of Bridge Collaborative		
Referred to other service	12	14.5%
Not referred	11	13.2%



Children's Administration

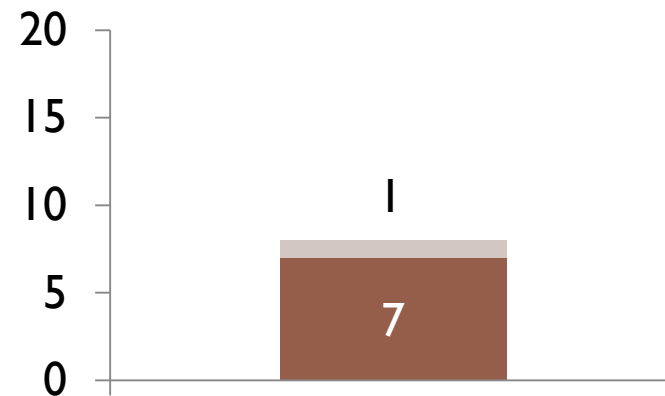
Lifetime Referrals to CA

- ▶ Mean age at first referral to child welfare: 6.3 years old
 - ▶ Range: 0-16.5



Average Number of Referrals in lifetime

■ Screened-in referrals
■ Non-screened



Average Number of Screened-in Referrals

■ Founded referrals
■ Unfounded referrals

Removal reason

Child ever removed from home resulting from...		
	N	Percent
Neglect	61	73.5%
Physical Abuse	13	15.7%
Abandonment	10	12.0%
Sexual Abuse	8	9.6%
Other ¹	8	9.6%

¹ Other includes parent death, child behavior problems, parent inability to cope, parent drug abuse, child drug abuse

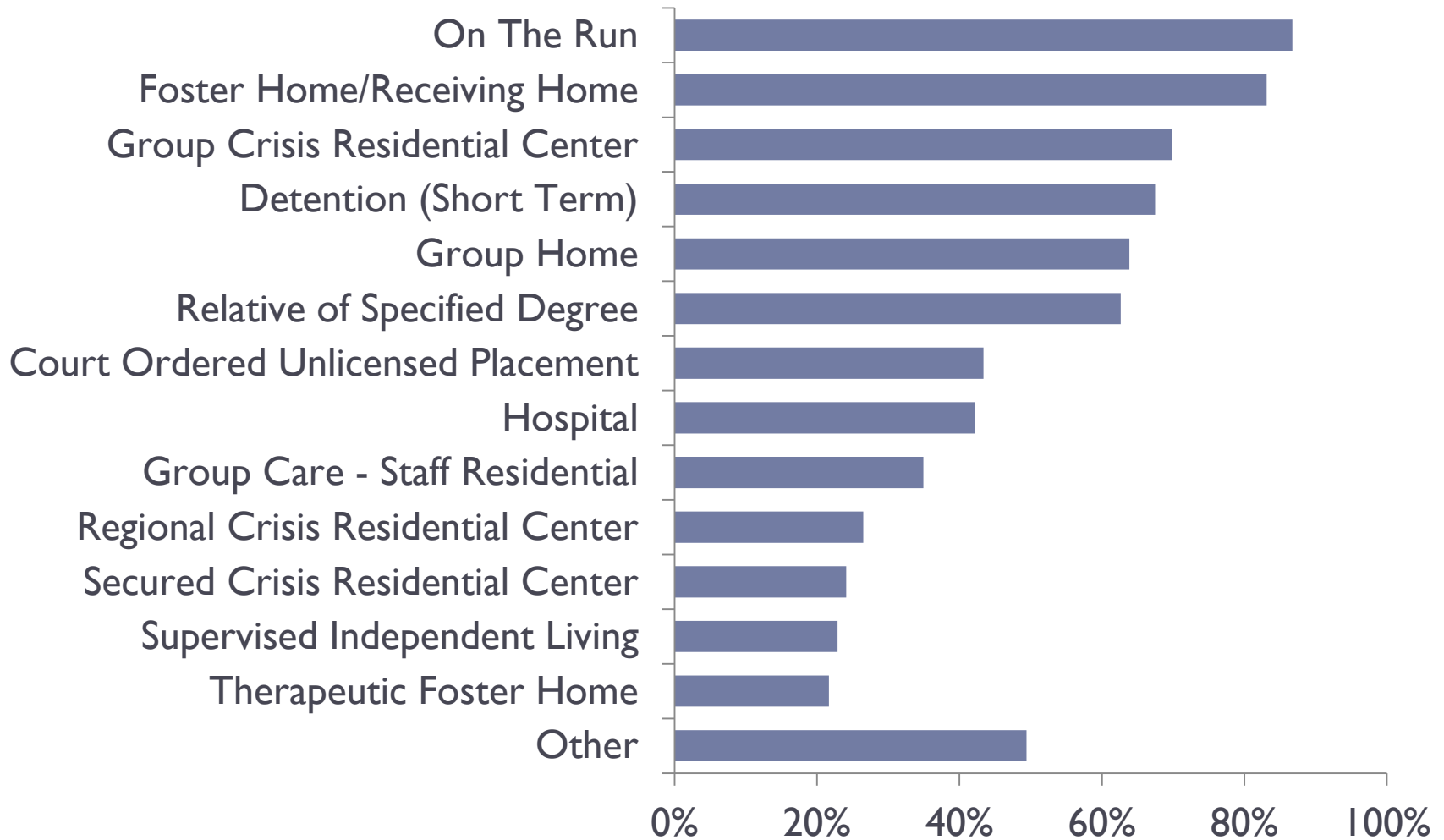


Lifetime Placement Events and Episodes

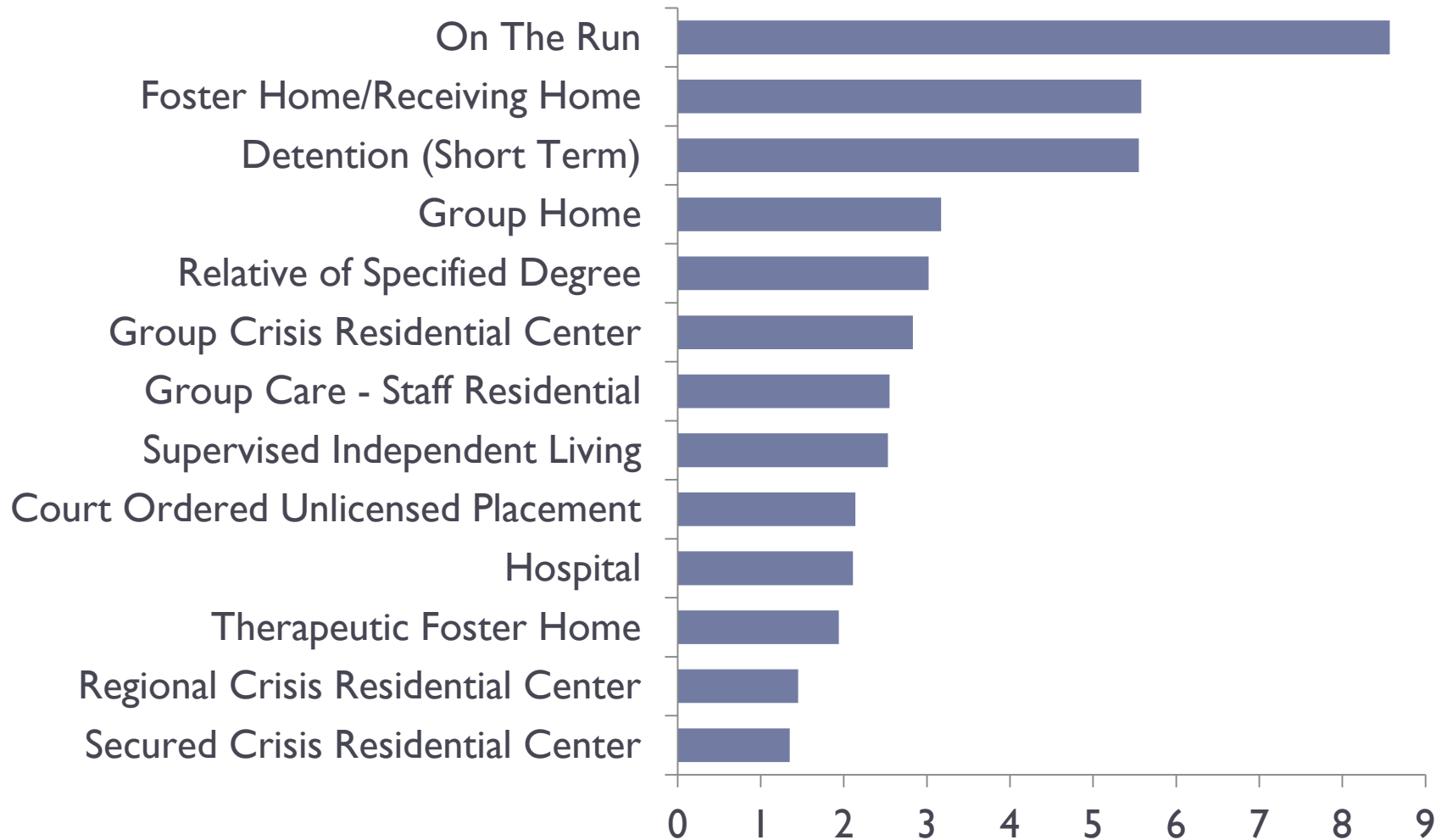
Placement Events	Mean	Range
Age at first placement	11.1	0 - 16.8
Number of placement events	27	2 - 88
Placement event length of stay	71 days	9 - 402 days
Placement <i>episode</i> length of stay	1,173 days	82 - 3,729 days
Age at first runaway event	14.2 years	10 – 17 years



Percent of Youth who Experienced Placement Type at Least Once



Average Number of Times each Placement Event Happened per Youth



Placement Event Days by Episode Type for all Youth on all Total Days

Placement Event	N	Percent
Foster Home/Receiving Home	25,652	23.0%
Relative (Not Receiving Foster Care Payments)	21,630	19.4%
On The Run	20,824	18.7%
Group Home	9,355	8.4%
Group Care – Staff Residential	6,921	6.2%
Detention (Short Term)	4,320	3.9%
Therapeutic Foster Home – BRS/CHAPS Contract MTSC	3,908	3.5%
Court Ordered Unlicensed	3,837	3.4%
Adoptive Home	3,442	3.1%
Supervised Independent Living	2,634	2.4%
Hospital	1,874	1.7%
Other	6,920	6.2%

Percent of Placement Events Ending in a Runaway Event

# of placement events ending because child on the run			
	No	Yes	%
Secured crisis residential	16	11	40.7%
Regional crisis residential	21	11	34.4%
Group Home	114	54	32.1%
Group care--staff residential	51	23	31.1%
Group Crisis Residential	118	46	28.0%
Relative	125	32	20.4%
Foster home/receiving home	312	73	19.0%
Adoptive home	9	2	18.2%
Therapeutic foster home	29	6	17.1%
Hospital	10	2	16.7%
Court ordered unlicensed placement	65	12	15.6%
Supervised independent living	41	7	14.6%
Licensed foster home--relative	7	1	12.5%
Family Crisis Residential	8	1	11.1%
Detention Center	8	0	.0%
Juvenile Rehabilitation	9	0	.0%

Placement pattern for early placed youth

- ▶ Of the 16 youth who were placed before the age of six:
 - ▶ 11 of them (69%) achieved placement stability--Did not re-enter care for 7 or more years
 - ▶ 10 of these 11 youth were reunified with their parents after the first early placement
 - ▶ 2 (12.5%) remained in care for their lifetime





Juvenile Detention

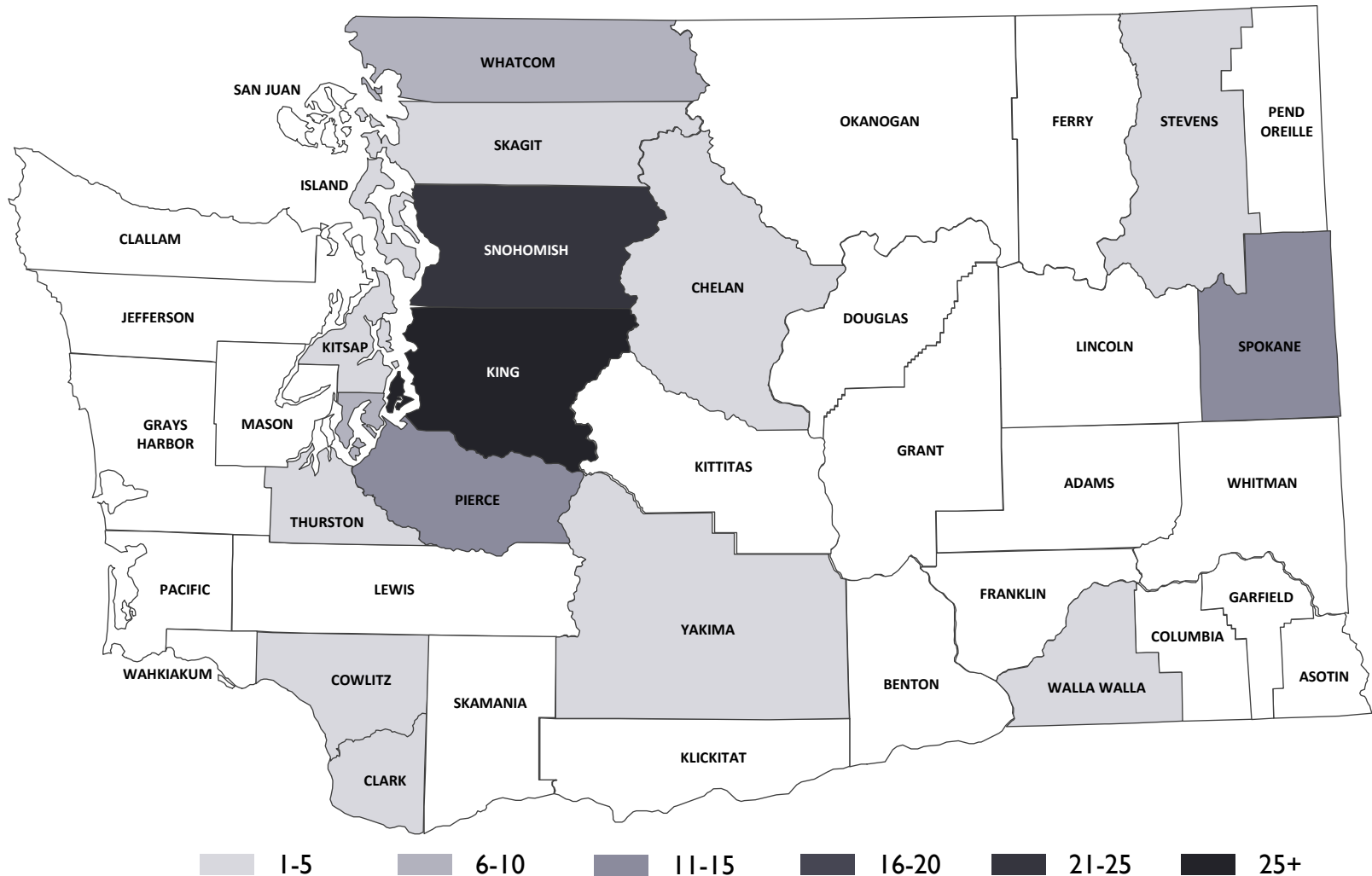
Juvenile Justice

WSCCR and King County	N
Number of youth with any detention episodes in the state	63 (75.9%)
Average age at first detention episode	14.3 (range 12-17)
Average number of detention episodes per youth	9
Mean lifetime number of days in detention	74
Number of youth with detention episodes in...	
King County and another county	27 (43%)
King County only	21 (33%)
Another county only	15 (24%)

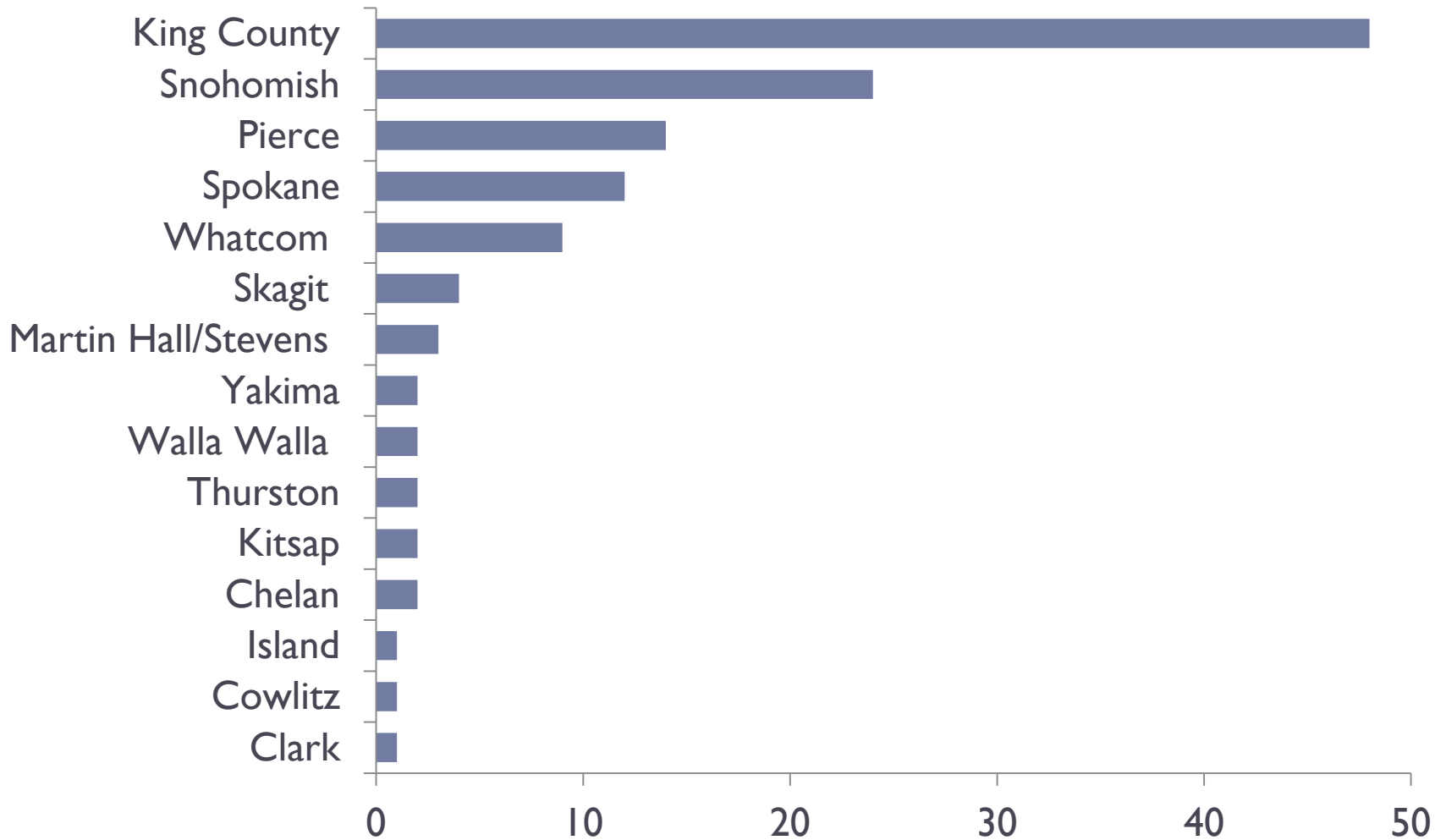
Note: remember that all youth were identified as DSHS Region 2 cases (King County and north). CSEC cases only identified in other regions are not included in these analyses.



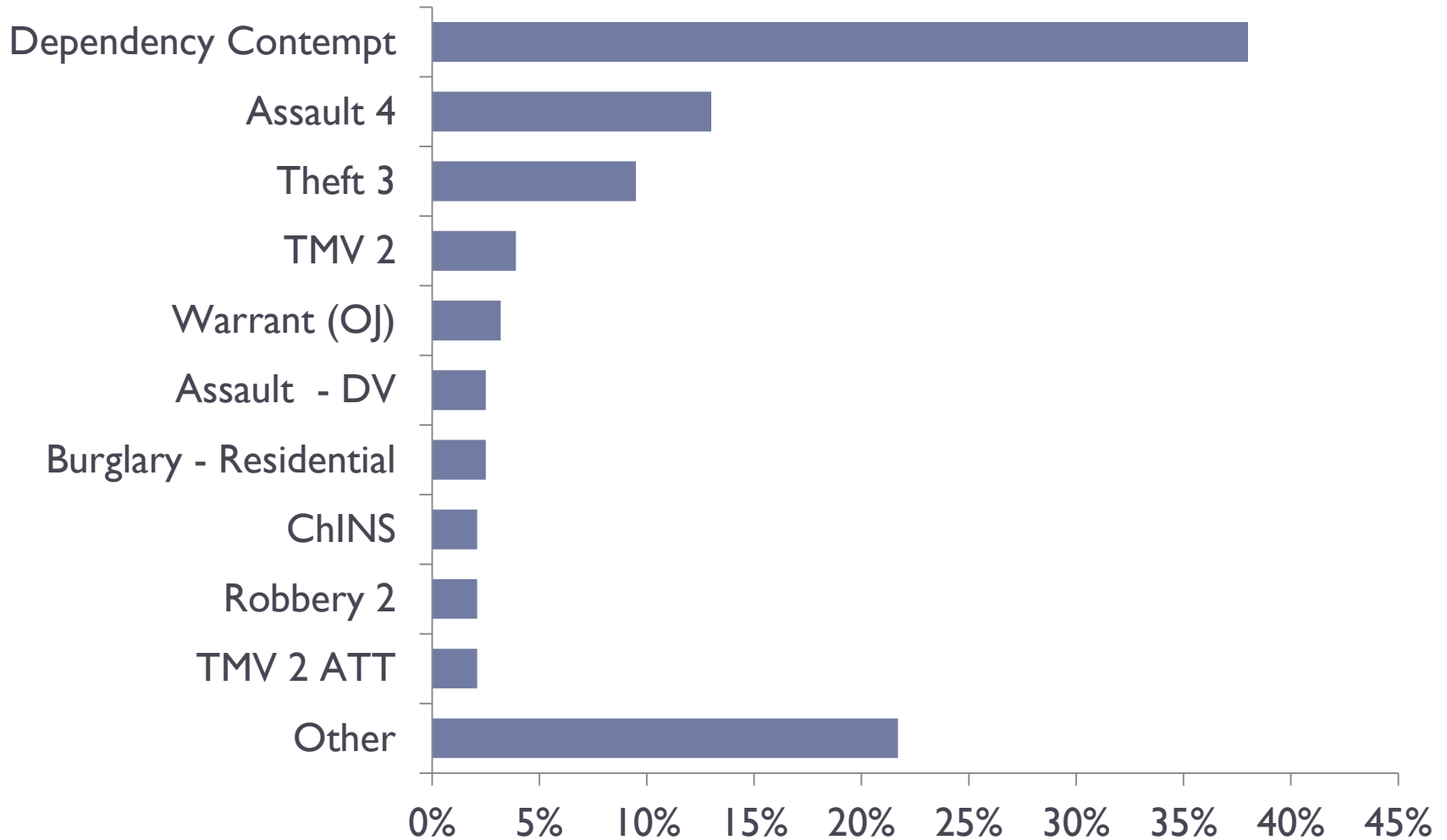
Number of Unique Youth Detained by County



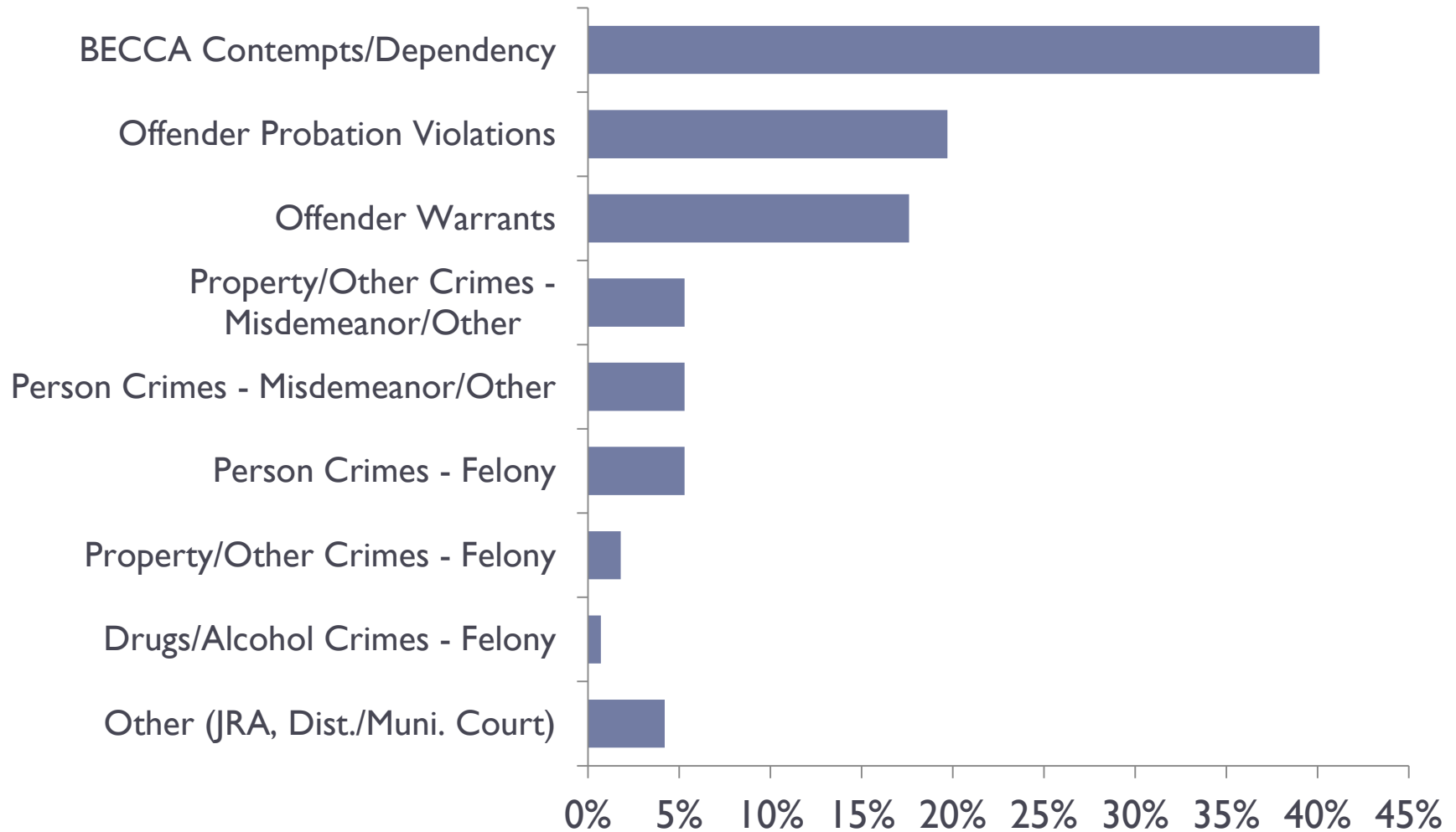
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Detention Admission for All King County Detention Episodes – Original Offense



Detention Admission for All King County Detention Episodes – Reason for Detention





Bridge Collaborative Referrals and Services

Referrals to Bridge Collaborative

Referrals	Frequency
Youth with referral received by BC	46 (55.4%)
Youth who were enrolled in BC	25 (30.1%)
Youth who exited BC	16 (64% of those enrolled)
Avg. number of days enrolled in BC before exiting	215 (Range: 46-610)



Bridge Collaborative Referral Source

Referral Source	Frequency	Percent
Children's Administration	17	21%
Spruce Street Crisis Residential	9	11%
Juvenile Court	8	10%
Friends of Youth	5	6%
School	2	2%
FBI	1	1%
OPS	1	1%
Prosecuting Attorney's Office	1	1%
YouthCare	1	1%
Other	1	1%



Birth

6.3

Avg. age of first
child welfare
referral

11.1

Avg. age of first
child welfare
placement

14.6

Avg. age at first
detention episode

27

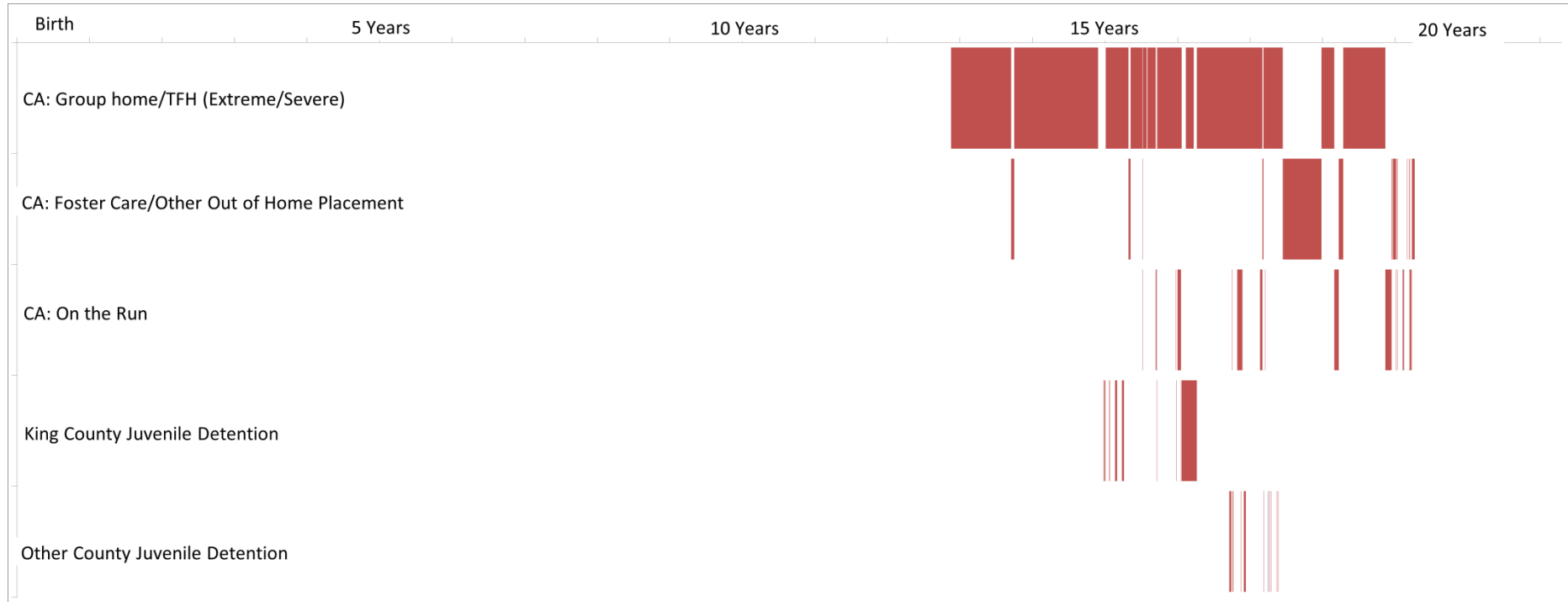
Avg. number of
placement
changes

9

Avg. number of
detention episodes



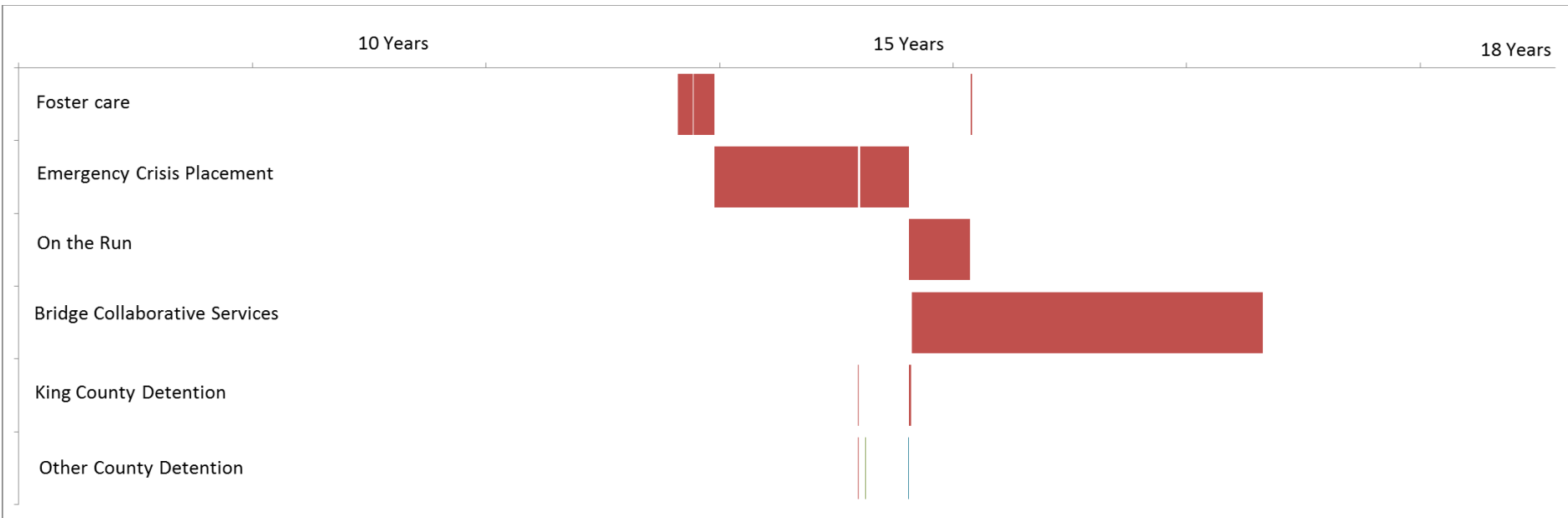
Youth 1: No BC services



Youth 2: Lack of BC service engagement



Youth #3: Stability after BC services



What's next?

- ▶ Compare this data with data from non-CSEC youth in Child Welfare
- ▶ Examine predictors of service engagement and success
- ▶ Link to baseline and 90 day assessments
- ▶ Obtain records from:
 - ▶ publically funded mental health/substance use treatment records
 - ▶ Adult criminal justice
 - ▶ Housing services
 - ▶ ?
- ▶ What else should we analyze?

