

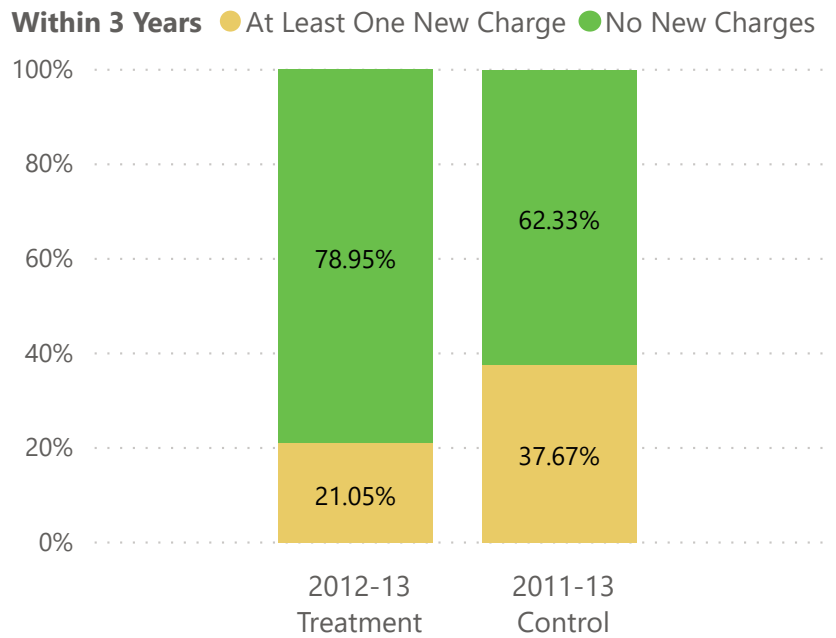
THE DIVERSION PROGRAM

Recidivism Analysis

Review of Original Study

In 2016, the Eau Claire CJCC published [An Evaluation of the Eau Claire County Pre-Charge Diversion Program as Measured by Three Year Recidivism Rates](#). The key finding from the report was "...the risk of re-offense nearly doubles when offenders do not complete the Diversion Program and are instead formally charged."

The study compared offenders who successfully completed the Diversion Program in (2012-2013 Treatment) to a comparable low-risk group that did not receive the program (2011-13 Control) but would have qualified based on their charges and past criminal history. The graph to the right shows the 3-year recidivism rates for the participants in the original study.



Recent Performance

Recidivism rates have continued to remain low for diversion groups since the original study.

The 2014-2016 3-year recidivism rates are shown to the right. All three years were an improvement of the original study.

Below are the 2014-2018 1-year recidivism rates. For comparison sake, 13% of the the diversion group (Treatment) from the original study had at least one new charge in the first year.

There is an additional Diversion Program Infographic on our CJCC website that reports other statistics related to the Diversion Program.

