

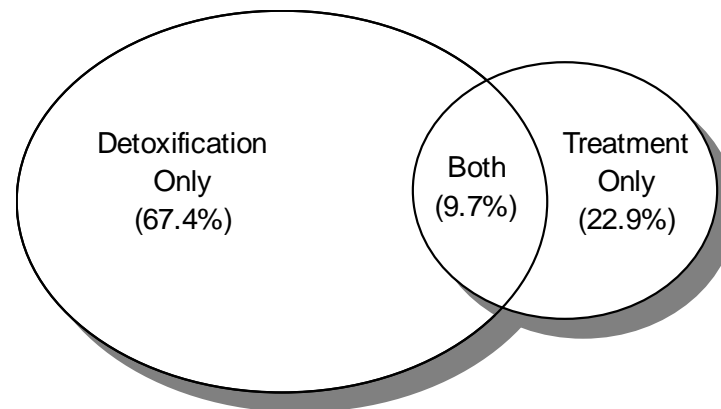
# NEDS Secondary Analysis Briefing Toolkit

## Module 39: Drug and Alcohol Coordinated Data System (DACODS)

### An Overview of the DACODS Admissions Study Design

The results depicted in this Secondary Analysis Briefing Toolkit Module are taken from a NEDS Technical Report titled: *Trends Among Baseline Admissions to Treatment, 1991-1998: A Case Study from Colorado*. This report, produced by Caliber Associates can be found in its entirety on the NEDS website at <http://neds.calib.com>. Permission to produce this toolkit was granted by the Colorado Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division.

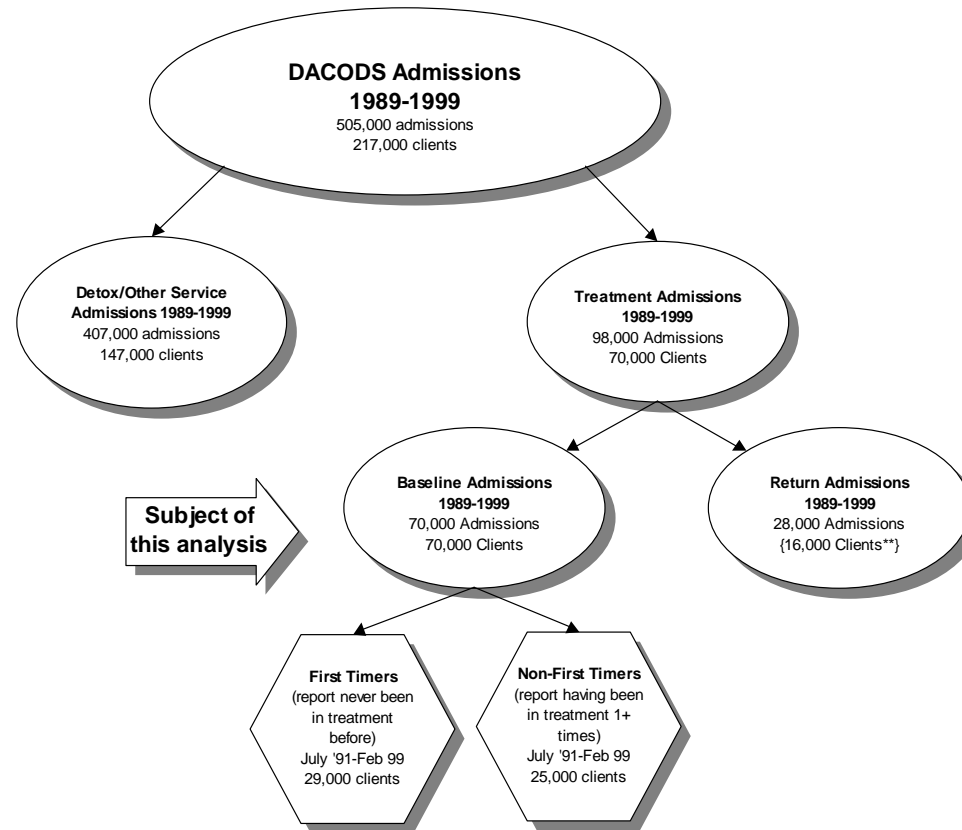
# Distribution of Unduplicated Clients who Received Only Substance Abuse Detoxification, Only Substance Abuse Treatment, or Both Detoxification and Substance Abuse Treatment in the Colorado Publicly Funded Substance Abuse Treatment System



Note: Data are based upon 217,382 unduplicated clients who were admitted between January 1989 and February 1999 to publicly funded substance abuse treatment in Colorado. Clients with single or multiple admissions to substance abuse detoxification, but never to public treatment services in Colorado, are considered detoxification only. Clients with single or multiple admissions to substance abuse treatment providers but never to detoxification care are considered substance abuse treatment only. Remaining clients had at least two admissions in the DACODS system, at least one each to detox and substance abuse treatment.

Module 39, Slide 1, Page 12, *Trends Among Baseline Admissions to Treatment, 1991-1998: A Case Study from Colorado.*

# Summary of How DACODS Data were Subset for this Analysis



Note: Figures are rounded to thousands to facilitate the illustration. Baseline admissions to Colorado's publicly funded substance abuse treatment providers between July 1991 and February 1999 are included in this analysis.\*\* The "Return Admissions" represent 16,000 clients who also returned to care. In other words, of the 70,000 treatment clients analyzed, 16,000 of them had a second admission record on file. Their admission records were processed as a separate database.

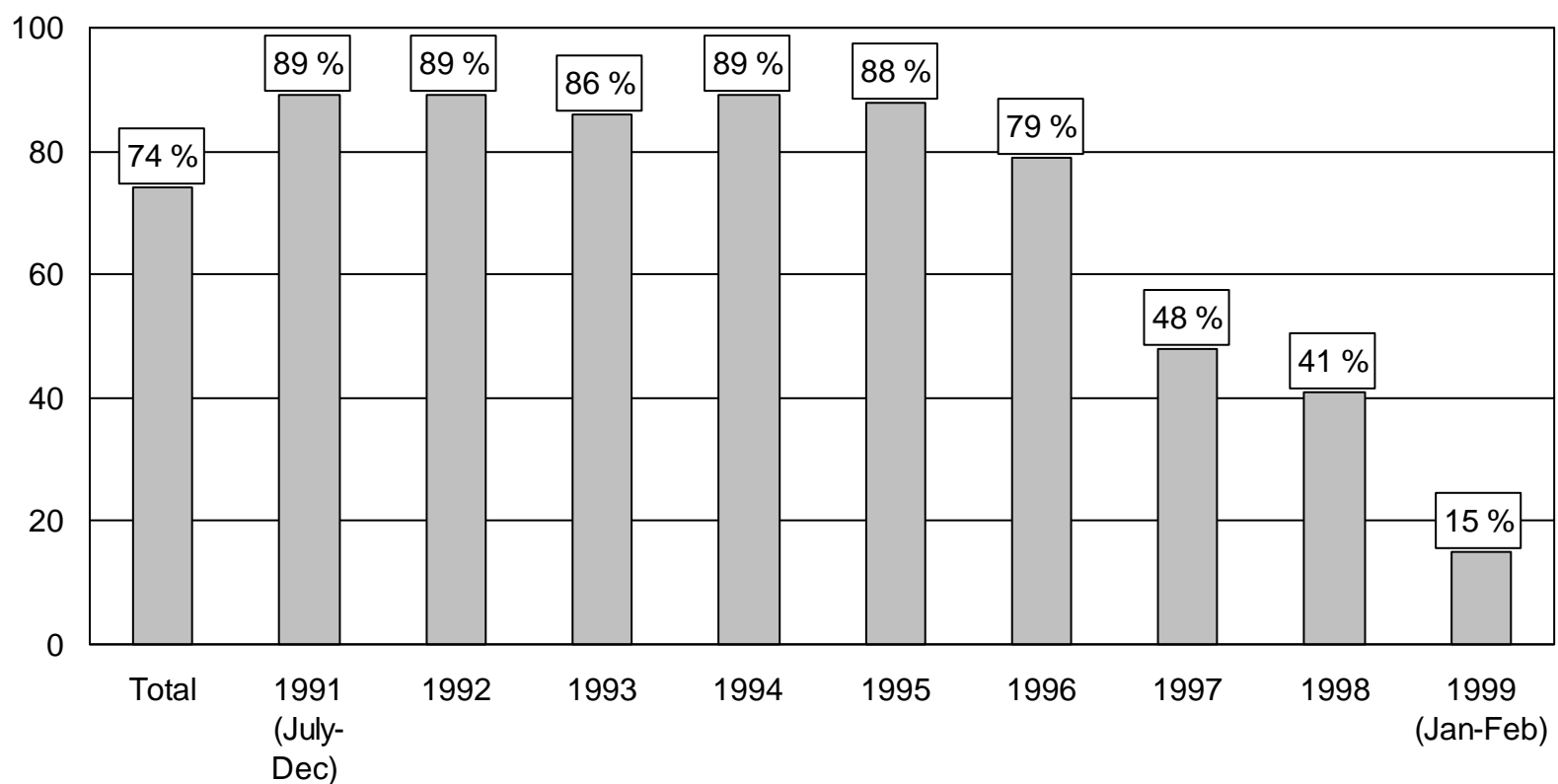


# Analysis of Colorado's Drug and Alcohol Coordinated Data System (DACODS)

- Focused on Baseline Admissions to Publicly Funded Substance Abuse Treatment in Colorado
  - Baseline analysis excluded records for clients who were being readmitted
  - Baseline refers to the first admission to Colorado's publicly funded substance abuse treatment system
- All Baseline Admissions were asked whether they had been in substance abuse treatment anywhere before
  - Clients with no prior treatment experience were called "first timers"
  - Clients with one or more prior treatment experiences were called "non-first timers"



## Baseline Treatment Admissions and Matching Treatment Exit Records by Year



**SOURCE: DACODS baseline admissions to publicly funded substance abuse treatment in Colorado**  
Baseline refers to the first admission to Colorado's publicly funded substance abuse treatment system

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