



Young Adults in Enhanced Supervision Housing (ESH)

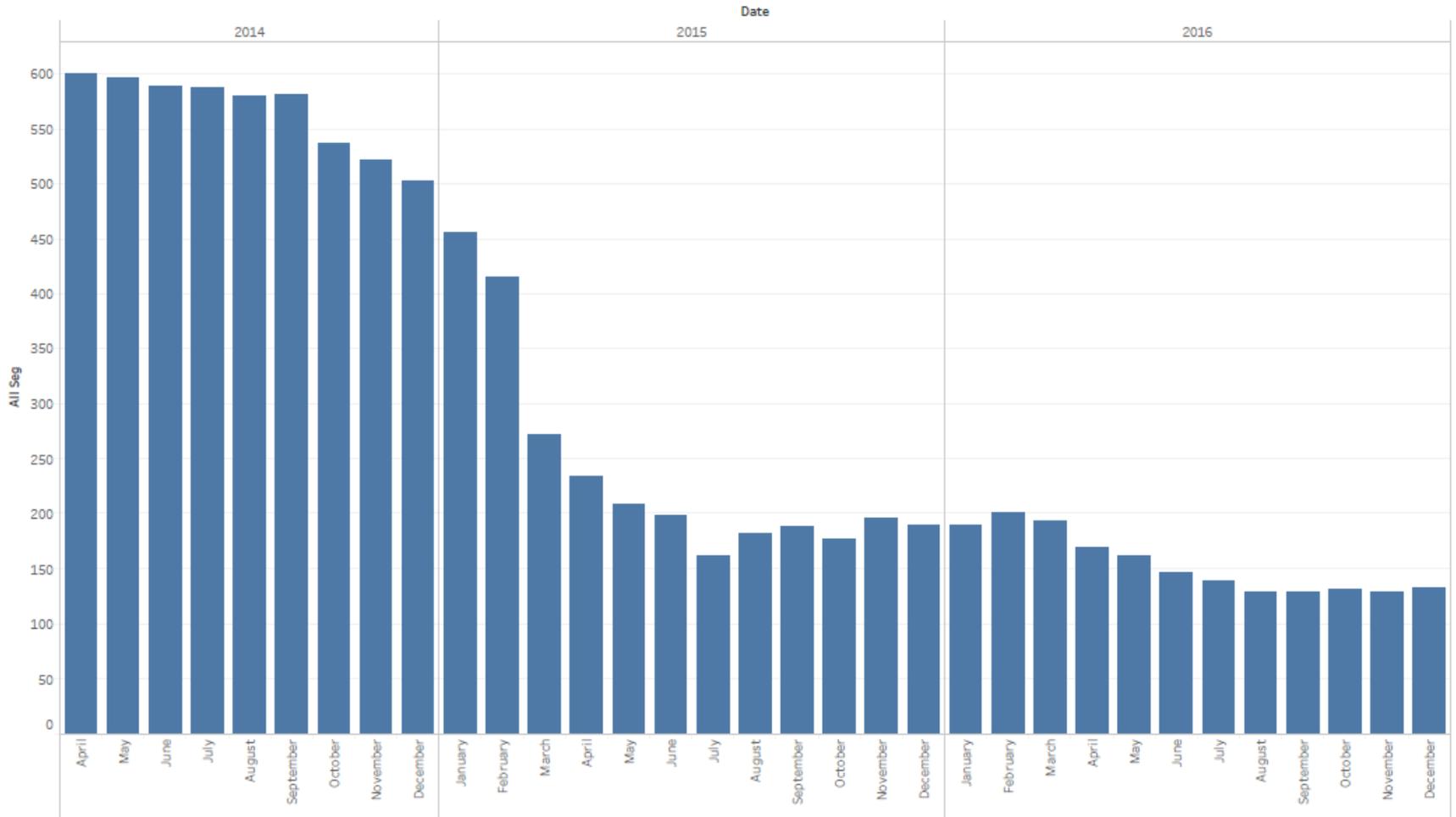
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Evolution of education opportunities and services

Placement options available for Young Adults focus on assessing and understanding the needs of the individual and providing support and resources to address

	2013	2017
Time out of cell	Punitive Seg (1 hr)	Second Chance (14 hrs) Trans. Restorative Unit (14 hrs) Secure (10 hrs - 14 hrs) ESH (7hrs – 14 hrs)
Education	Cell study	A minimum of 3 hours per day
Programming	None	A minimum of 4 hours per day in all units. Programming content: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Dialectical Behavior Therapy• Interactive Journaling• Creative Arts• Violence intervention

DOC's Reduction on the Use of Punitive Segregation



Average Daily Population of Inmates in Segregation

Addressing the Different Needs of Different Populations

Department-wide: away from punitive model toward an incentive-based behavioral modification model

- Adolescents, Young Adults
 - Pro-social behavioral models, like Adolescents Striving for Change (ASFC)
 - Second Chance, Transitional Restorative Unit (TRU)
 - Secure Unit and ESH for Young Adults
- Mentally Ill
 - Clinical Alternative to Punitive Segregation (CAPS)
 - Program for Accelerated Clinical Effectiveness (PACE)
 - Crisis Intervention Training, greater focus on de-escalation
- Low/medium-low/medium-high/high classifications
 - Targeted staffing ratios; programming
- Varying levels of restricted housing
 - ESH; Punitive Segregation Lite, Restricted Housing Unit (RHU)

Additional Reforms Necessary to Further Reduce Violence



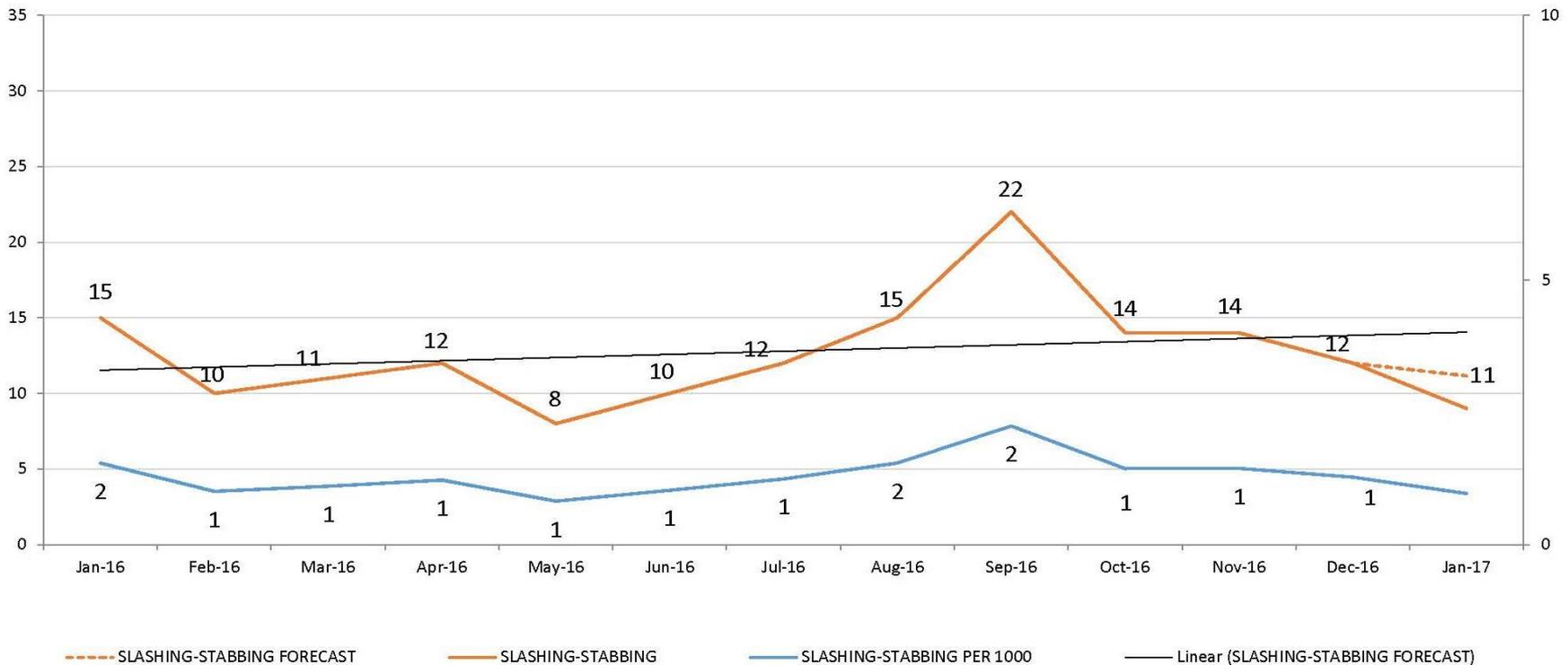
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GRVC Law Library slashing on 1/18/17 – all young adults present for the slashing can be seen on video in possession of weapons; however none of the weapons could be found after the incident

Violence Data – Slashings

Inmates involved in a major incident (serious AOS, serious injury to inmate, or slashing/stabbing) are more than **11 times more likely** than general population high classification inmates to be involved in another major incident

DEPT FY16-17 View



Jan data as of 1/25/17

Young adults account for ~12% of DOC population, but are disproportionately involved in violent incidents

Young Adult Programming

- Targeted, age-appropriate programming – critical to improving behavior, regardless of young adult's classification status
 - ESH programming
 - 3 hours DOE educational services
 - 4 hours DOC-facilitated programming like Dialectical Behavioral Therapy, Creative Arts, Youth Communication, Interactive Journaling
 - Expanding upon programming that has yielded positive outcomes with adolescent and other populations
 - Constantly evolving
- Program counselors
 - Work directly with offenders, develop and deliver programs.

Process for Young Adult ESH



YA commits violent act limited to: serious assault on staff or another inmate resulting in serious injury, slashing or stabbing and is reviewed by the Chief of Department

Mental Health reviews and provides a recommendation for every YA considered for placement to ESH.

YA placed in ESH and placement hearing conducted within 3 business days

YA has received programming. In addition, assessment and recommendation is made for placement.

Chief of Department reviews assessment findings and recommendations to determine appropriate placement

Interdisciplinary team meets to discuss feedback which includes, institutional behavior and program participation. As a result, a recommendation is made for advancement or continued placement in current level.

If progression is not achieved after (2) 45 days review cycles, then then the Chief of Security will assess the individuals placement needs.

Programming our most violent individuals



How are restraint desks used in other jurisdictions?

New York State

Correctional best practice utilized as a custody management strategy for disruptive inmates in numerous jurisdictions, including New York State.

Other Jurisdictions

More than 36 jurisdictions use of restraint desks/programming desk in various settings including: Colorado, California, New York, and Washington, where inmates may be restrained by both their arms and ankles.

Use of restraint desks

- Restraint desks are used to provide programming and allow for thorough assessment of inmates' needs
- Used to facilitate incentivized positive behavior
- Other jurisdictions use restraint desks for various populations, including the persistently violent, as alternatives to solitary confinement/punitive segregation

Impact of our reform efforts

NYC DOC is one of the most progressive systems for safely managing violent Young Adults--- moving away from a punishment only model to the only incentive-based, behavioral modification model in the country

- Eliminated Punitive Segregation for 16-21 year olds
- Offering a minimum of 2.5 to 5.0 hours of programming/out of cell time
- Developed individualized programming/education models
- NYC DOC leading the reform efforts for safely managing violent Young Adults
- Facility restarts have seen a ~70%+ reduction in serious violence

Stats

90% reduction in PSEG since the start of this administration with only 1% in PSEG

Decrease in Serious Violence 2015-2016:

- **Use of force** ↓ **35%**
- **Serious Injuries from fights** ↓ **7%**
- **Serious Assault on Staff down** ↓ **31%**