

EMBRACE COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH CENTER (ECMHC) & MOBILE MENTAL HEALTH CENTER (MMHC)

CLINIC QUARTERLY INDICATORS **Apr-Jun 2024** *REPORT 39*



OUR VALUES

Respect

To treat all individuals as worthy of high regard and to uphold their dignity.

Compassion

To empathize with another person's condition from their perspective and to actively strive to address their needs.

Accountability

To acknowledge and assume responsibility for actions and decisions undertaken.

Integrity

To adhere to the highest moral and ethical principles in fulfilling Embrace's mission.

Inclusiveness

To actively involve stakeholders in decision-making and the implementation of Embrace's strategic goals.

Courage

To face challenges head-on, advocating for mental health despite potential obstacles or resistance, to champion change for the betterment of society.

Collaboration

To seek and engage with partners actively in achieving Embrace's mission and vision.

Agility

To respond rapidly and effectively to change, adapting strategies and actions to meet evolving challenges and opportunities.

Equality

To ensure equal opportunities and rights for all, promoting fairness and eliminating discrimination in all aspects of Embrace.

Courage

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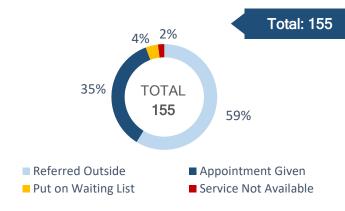


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Disclaimer: The below numbers are meant to offer a snapshot of the activities hosted and beneficiaries served at the Embrace Mental Health Center. While information is recorded as accurately as possible, not all information is available at all times.

I. NEW REQUESTS FOR SERVICES

Every beneficiary that calls the clinic is briefly screened to gather basic demographic information, understand the reason for which they are seeking services, and orient them accordingly. The new requests represents the number of people who called requesting ECMHC services. The outcome of the new requests in the adjacent chart represents the decision taken after the information was gathered from the potential beneficiary. For the current period, beneficiaries in need of psychotherapy consultations were referred outside because it was not possible to give new appointments due to the long waiting list.



II. REFERRAL SOURCE

The referral source represents the different ways beneficiaries were referred to or learned about the Embrace Mental Health Center and the Mobile Mental Health Clinic.

**Note* that mental health professionals include practitioners at Embrace



III. SERVICES PROVIDED

1257 sessions

Total **number of beneficiaries** seen (first or follow-up visits): **386**Total **number of sessions** provided for the **386** beneficiaries: **1257**

		Total	
•50•	INDIVIDUAL SESSIONS	907	
HILL	Psychiatric Consultations	190	
	Psychotherapy Consultations	504	
	Mobile Mental Health Clinic* Psychiatric Consultations	213	

	Total
PSYCHIATRIC NURSING SESSIONS	282
ECMHC	263
MMHC	19
SOCIAL WORK SESSIONS	68
ECMHC	44
MMHC	24

^{*}The Mobile Mental Health Clinic (MMHC) is an expansion of the ECMHC. It was introduced in May 2023. The MMHC team travels across Lebanon by Embrace's bus, converted into an equipped clinic, to offer free psychiatric consultations, and provide prescribed medications as well as referral to the needed services.



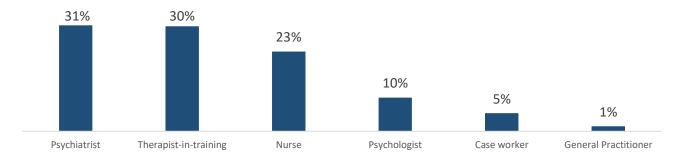
CONSULTATION BREAKDOWN BY TYPE ACROSS THREE MONTHS

1257 sessions

The following table provides a breakdown of consultations by type over the course of three months.

		APRIL	MAY	JUNE
TOTAL NO. OF SESSIONS		391	460	406
Individual Sessions		295	343	269
Develotrie consultations	• ECMHC	76	66	48
 Psychiatric consultations 	 MMHC 	62	76	75
Psychologist		34	58	30
Therapist-in-training		123	143	116
Nurse Sessions		70	96	116
	• ECMHC	62	90	111
	• MMHC	8	6	5
Social worker Sessions		26	21	21
	• ECMHC	20	14	10
	 MMHC 	6	7	11

IV. TYPE OF PRACTICIONER SEEN



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Total

NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES SEEN (first session or follow up)

Total: 386

NUMBER OF NEW BENEFICIARIES SEEN (those whose first session was during the reporting period)

386 129

The below table provides the beneficiaries distribution across the three months.

		APRIL	MAY	JUNE
Total No. O	f Beneficiaries Seen ECMHC	151	161	133
ECMHC	New Beneficiaries Seen	11	7	7
ECIVIAC	Beneficiaries Seen For Follow-up	145	156	130
Total No. O	f Beneficiaries Seen MMHC	70	77	79
MANALIC	New Beneficiaries Seen	35	38	31
MMHC	Beneficiaries Seen For Follow-up	36	42	52

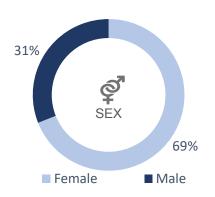


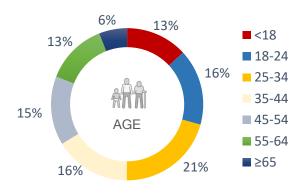
VI. NEW BENEFICIARY DEMOGRAPHICS

Total: 129

The below charts present basic demographic information for the <u>new</u> beneficiaries served during the reporting period (n=129).

ECMHC new beneficiaries = 25 MMHC new beneficiaries = 104

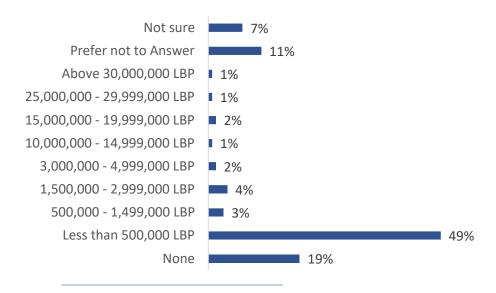




The mean age of beneficiaries was of 37 years old.

INCOME STATUS (n=124)





HIGHEST EDUCATIONAL STATUS (n=113



Doctoral/Medical Degree (MD, PhD)

Master's Degree (MS, MA, DESS)

Bachelor's Degree (BS,BA,DEA)

Vocational/Technical Degree

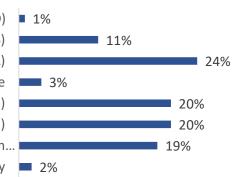
High School (10th to 12th Grade)

Middle School (7th to 9th Grade)

Primary/Elementary School (1st to 5th...

Did not Complete Primary Elementary

2%





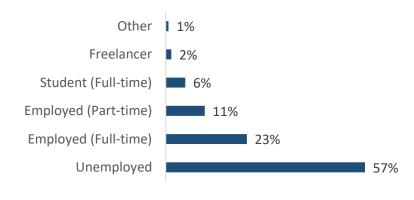
EMPLOYMENT STATUS (n=124)

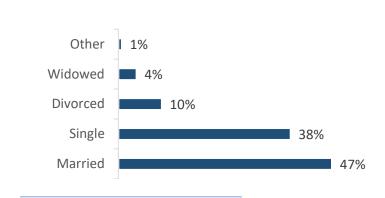
MARITAL STATUS (n=124)

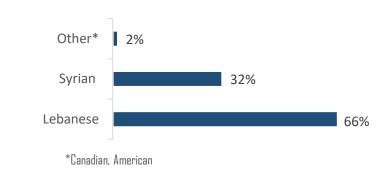
NATIONALITY (n=124)

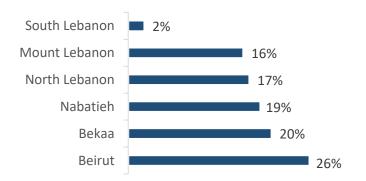
GEOGRAPHIC LOCATION













VII. PHARMACOLOGICAL TREATMENT

Total: 46

Between April and June 2024, the ECMHC covered the cost of medications prescribed by its own psychiatrists for **46** beneficiaries seen at the ECMHC.

AVERAGE NUMBER OF PRESCRIPTION ITEMS ACQUIRED BY BENEFICIARY:

7

MOST COMMONLY ACQUIRED MEDICATIONS:

LAMOTRIGINE

SERTRALINE

FLUOXETINE

VIII. PHARMACOLOGICALTREATMENT PROVIDED TO BENEFICIARIES TRANSFERRED TO PHCC THROUGH MMHC

Total: 1766

Between April and June 2024, the MMHC covered the cost of 310 medications prescribed by its own psychiatrist for 79 MMHC beneficiaries.

MOST COMMONLY ACQUIRED MEDICATIONS:

ESCITALOPRAM

SERTRALINE

FLUOXETINE

The MMHC supports the national capacity for response to psychotropic medication needs through the coordination with YMCA for medication provision. Throughout this period **1456** medication boxes were delivered to YMCA, as the national medication distribution channel, for further distribution to Primary Health Care Centers offering mental health services to complement the needs of their beneficiaries.

IX. MEDICAL REFERRALS

Total: 2

Between April and June 2024, **2** beneficiaries were referred by Embrace psychiatrists to Medical Diagnostic Treatment Center to undergo medical tests. The beneficiary received blood tests measuring the levels of CBC, TSH and electrolytes among others. **All fees of medical testing were covered by Embrace**.

X. MENTAL HEALTH SURVEY SCORES AT FIRST ENCOUNTER

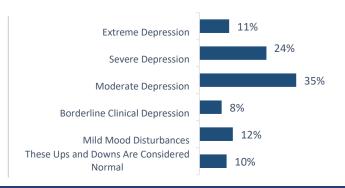
The below charts present a summary of symptom severity for **ECMHC** and **MMHC** beneficiaries whose first session was during the reporting period (i.e., the charts represent scores at beneficiaries' first session):

BDI II: Beck Depression inventory - a validated instrument used for measuring the severity of depression. **GAD-7**: Generalized Anxiety disorder 7 - a validated instrument used for measuring the severity of anxiety.

ANXIETY SYMPTOM SEVERITY (n=112)

Severe 43% Moderate 34% Mild 14% Minimal 9%

DEPRESSIVE SYMPTOM SEVERITY (n=112)





MENTAL HEALTH SURVEY SCORES (ECMHC)

During their first visit to the ECMHC, the beneficiaries are asked about common symptoms of depression and anxiety. As they progress through treatment, beneficiaries are asked to take the same surveys again every few months.

The questionnaires are:

- 1. GAD-7: a validated instrument for measuring the severity of anxiety.
- 2. BDI-II: a validated instrument used for measuring the severity of depression.

Beneficiaries seen by psychiatrists are asked to fill the survey upon each visit;

Those seen by psychologists are asked to fill it upon the first session, every 12 sessions, and after the last session;

Those seen by therapists-in-training are asked to fill it upon the first session, every 4 weeks, and after the last session.

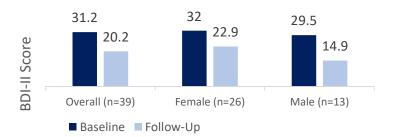
A SNAPSHOT OF BENEFICIARY IMPROVEMENT OF SYMPTOMS JANUARY-JUNE 2024

The below charts present a summary of the improvement in depression and anxiety levels among active beneficiaries seen at **ECMHC** between January and June 2024 by comparing baseline scores (initial ECMHC encounter) with the last follow-up survey they completed during this period (not necessarily during the last session).

To be eligible for inclusion, beneficiaries must meet one of the following criteria:

- · Have visited a psychiatrist at least three times in the year.
- · Have visited a psychiatrist at least twice in the past four months.
- · Have attended a minimum of eight sessions with a psychologist in the year.

Levels of Depression Reported Pre and Post Treatment (n = 39)



Around **74%** of beneficiaries reported improvements in symptoms of depression.

There was a **statistically significant reduction** in **BDI-II score** from baseline to the last complete survey (P value <0.001*).

*Test used: Paired T-test

Levels of Anxiety Reported Pre and Post Treatment (n = 112)



*Note that the selected cut-off score has been shown to have 89% sensitivity in detecting current anxiety (Spitzer et al., 2006)

Around **75%** of beneficiaries reported improvements in symptoms of anxiety. Among those, **57% showed clinically significant improvements**.

There was a **statistically significant reduction** in GAD-7 score from baseline to the last complete survey (P value <0.001*).

*Test used: Paired T-test



MENTAL HEALTH SURVEY SCORES (MMHC)

During their first visit to the MMHC, the beneficiaries are asked about common symptoms of depression and anxiety. As they progress through treatment, beneficiaries are asked to take the same surveys after at least 3 months.

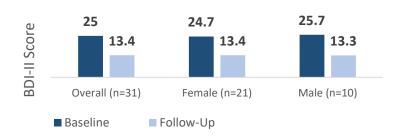
The questionnaires are:

- 1. GAD-7: a validated instrument for measuring the severity of anxiety.
- 2. BDI-II: a validated instrument for measuring depression severity.



The below charts present a summary of the improvement in depression and anxiety levels among beneficiaries seen at **MMHC between January and June 2024** by comparing baseline scores (initial MMHC encounter) with the last follow-up survey they completed during this period (not necessarily during the last session).

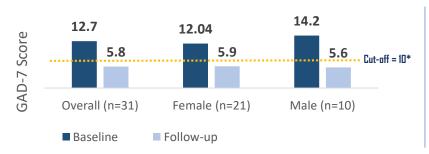
Levels of Depression Reported Pre and Post Treatment (n = 31)



Around **74%** of beneficiaries reported improvements in symptoms of depression.

There was a **statistically significant reduction** in **BDI-II score** from baseline to the last complete survey (P value <0.001*). *Test used: Paired T-test

Levels of Anxiety Reported Pre and Post Treatment (n = 31)



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XI. SOCIAL WORK

The mental health social worker at the ECMHC and MMHC aims to provide a holistic approach to mental health care by offering psycho-social assistance to beneficiaries. The centre is a resourced with a comprehensive referral database that is updated every 4 months and a linked with a network of governmental and non-governmental organizations that provide a wide range of psychosocial services from livelihood, shelter, basic assistance, child protection, and organizations catering to the needs of vulnerable groups such as refugees, LGBTQ community and persons affected by gender-based violence. The mental health social worker coordinates with a multi-disciplinary internal team of psychologists, psychologists, psychiatric nurse, and the National Lifeline (1564).

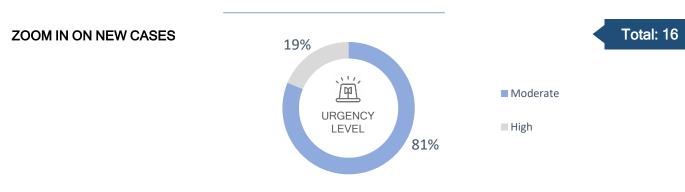
TOTAL NUMBER OF CO	NSULTATIONS *	57	TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIVE CASES	18
1st CONSULT# (ECMHC)	9		TOTAL NUMBER OF CLOSED CASES	1
FOLLOW UP** (ECMHC)	35			
1st CONSULT# (MMHC)	7			
FOLLOW UP** (MMHC)	6			

TOTAL NUMBER OF BENEFICIARIES SEEN / CONTACTED

29

Total Number of Active Cases: Refers to the number of beneficiaries who are still being followed up by the Mental Health Social Worker # 1st Consult: Refers to the number of beneficiaries who were referred for the first time during the reporting period from ECMHC/MMHC to social work services

^{**}Follow up: Refers to the number of follow up consultations (out of the total consultations)







^{*}Total number of consultations: Refers to all social work consultations taking place between the Mental Health Social Worker and beneficiaries referred (may include more than 1 consultation per beneficiary)

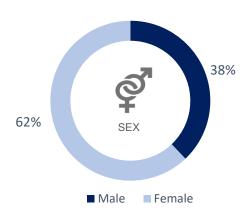


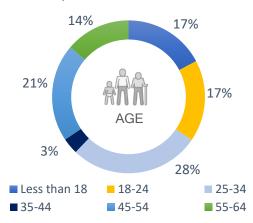
BENEFICIARY DEMOGRAPHICS

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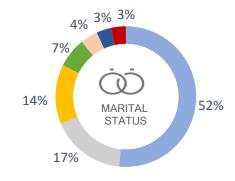
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The below charts present the demographics of *all* beneficiaries the social worker engaged with. This includes new cases and follow ups on other cases active from previous months.





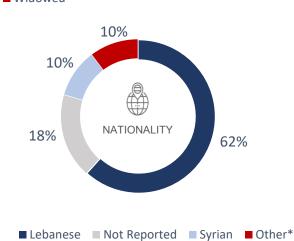
The mean age of beneficiaries was **34** years old.



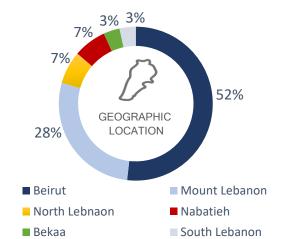








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