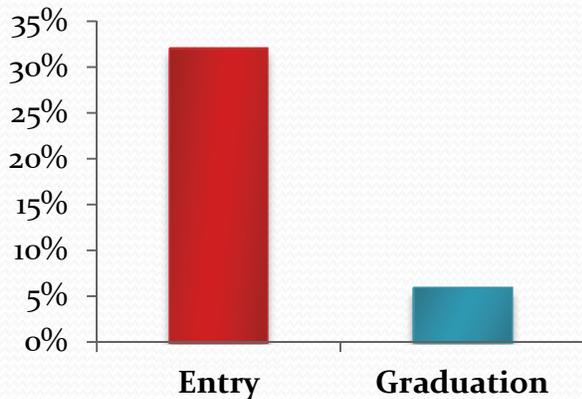


# Mental Health Courts in Oklahoma

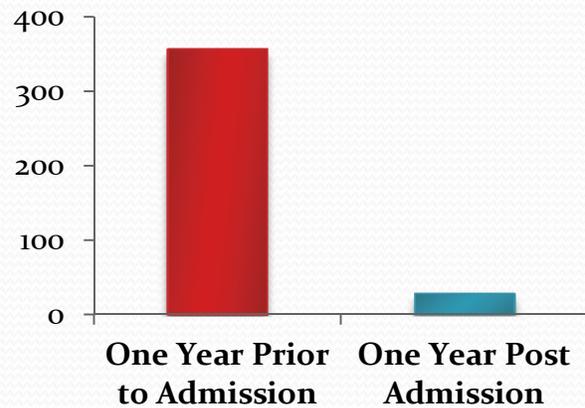
## Justification

- Oklahoma has one of the nation's highest percentages of persons with mental illness (National Survey on Drug Use & Health).
- The Department of Corrections indicates that 55% (14,625) of all offenders have a mental health need.
  - Female - 69%
  - Male - 48%
- 55% of inmates diagnosed with a mental illness were incarcerated for non-violent offenses.
- The Oklahoma County Jail has as many as 400 persons with a mental illness at any one time.
- The Tulsa County Jail has over 400 persons with a mental illness at any one time.

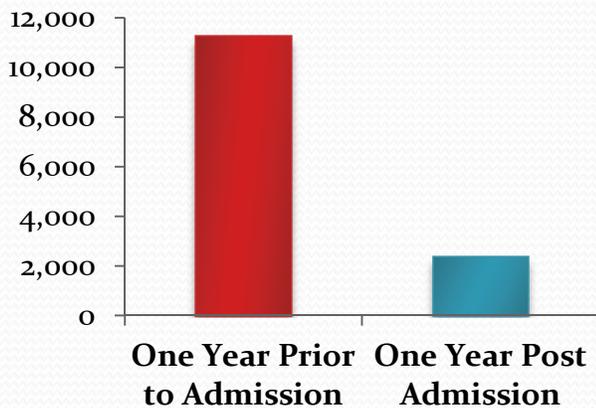
## Outcome Comparisons for MHC Grads



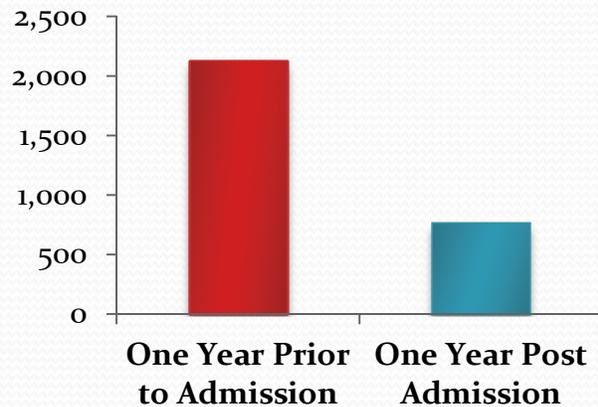
**Unemployment ↓ 81%**



**Arrests ↓ 92%**



**Days Spent in Jail ↓ 79%**



**Days Spent in Inpatient ↓ 64%**

