

Introduction

Bridgewell is a non-profit organization that takes a human-centered approach. They provide multiple services, including housing, day programs, outpatient treatment, recovery services, education and employment training. 6,250+ people receive services annually, with more than 580 people living in Bridgewell. There are over 100 programs in 23 communities in eastern Massachusetts. Bridgewell strives to provide services to those in need, including people with autism, physical disabilities, substance abuse disorders, and homelessness. Bridgewell works to empower people to have safe lives and achieve their fullest potential. (Bridgewell, 2022)

Objectives

To perform a review of Bridgewell's COVID testing procedures.
The pros and cons of how each test was distributed and the testing sites.
Review how the state has managed COVID-19 precautions in residential programs.

Related Literature

According to the CDC, "COVID-19 tests can detect either SARS-CoV-2, the virus that causes COVID-19, or antibodies that your body makes after getting COVID-19 or after getting vaccinated. Tests for SARS-CoV-2 tell you if you have an infection at the time of the test. Testing is very important to help reduce the spread of COVID-19. You should always discuss your test results with your healthcare provider." (CDC.Gov)

Materials and Methods

A survey on Google Forms was sent out to residential directors and managers. Reports are generated in a pie chart, a graph, or open-ended questions. Questions consist of rating the health department, if the state had enough precautions to prevent infections, types of COVID Tests distributed, and the Color testing system.

An Excerpt from the Survey

At the start of the pandemic, there was biweekly testing of all staff in high transmission areas. *
Do you think that the state should have had the rule of weekly testing instead? Why or why not?

Long answer text

Do you think that the state did enough to prevent COVID-19 infection in residential programs? *

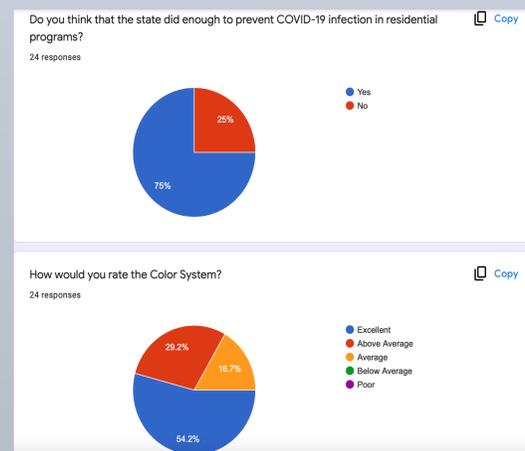
- Yes
- No

How would you rate the Color System? *

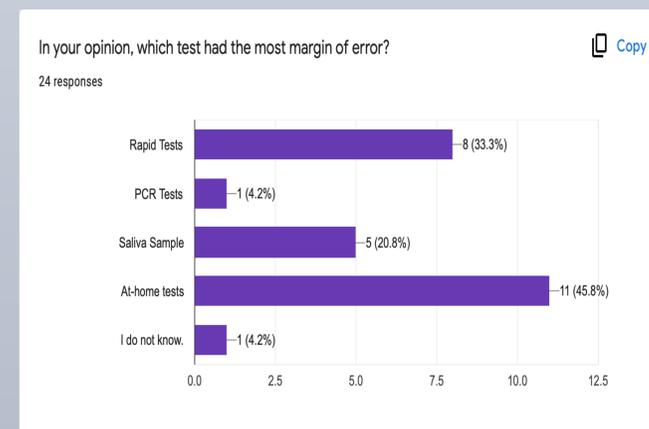
- Excellent
- Above Average
- Average
- Below Average

Results

This graph displays the results in a pie chart



This graph displays the result of which test had the most margin of error



Conclusions

- On this survey, I received 24 responses:
- 75% believe that the state did enough to prevent infection in residential programs.
 - 54.2% rated the system Color as excellent, 29.2% rated it as above average,
 - 16.7% as average, which means Color is liked across the board.
 - 14 respondents said the state should have had weekly testing instead of biweekly for residential programs.
 - At-home tests seem to have the most margin of error, with 45.8% of votes.

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