

Transition Referrals to Community Corrections

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Agenda

- Eligibility Criteria
- Referral Process
- Acceptance
- Exchange of Information
- Client Profiles
- Community Corrections: Past, Present, Future



Eligibility Criteria

- Referral timelines
 - Non-violent: refer 19 months prior to PED, place at 16 months
 - Violent: refer 9 months prior to PED, place at 6 months
- No felony warrants/detainers
- Acceptable institutional behavior: no class I COPD within 12 months
- Upon referral denial, 6 months for re-referral (HB18-1251: 6-12 months)



Referral Process

- DOC Case Manager - Submits community referral packet with
 - Client information per HB18-1251
 - Recommendation – why or why not placement is recommended (individualized review of risk, institutional conduct, responsivity factors)
- Community Referrals Unit (CRU)
 - Quality Control of referral
 - Assigns primary (and alternate as needed) jurisdiction per parole plan
 - If homeless/no parole plan – sentencing jurisdiction
- Victim's Rights Act cases
 - 30 day hold at CRU for required notifications

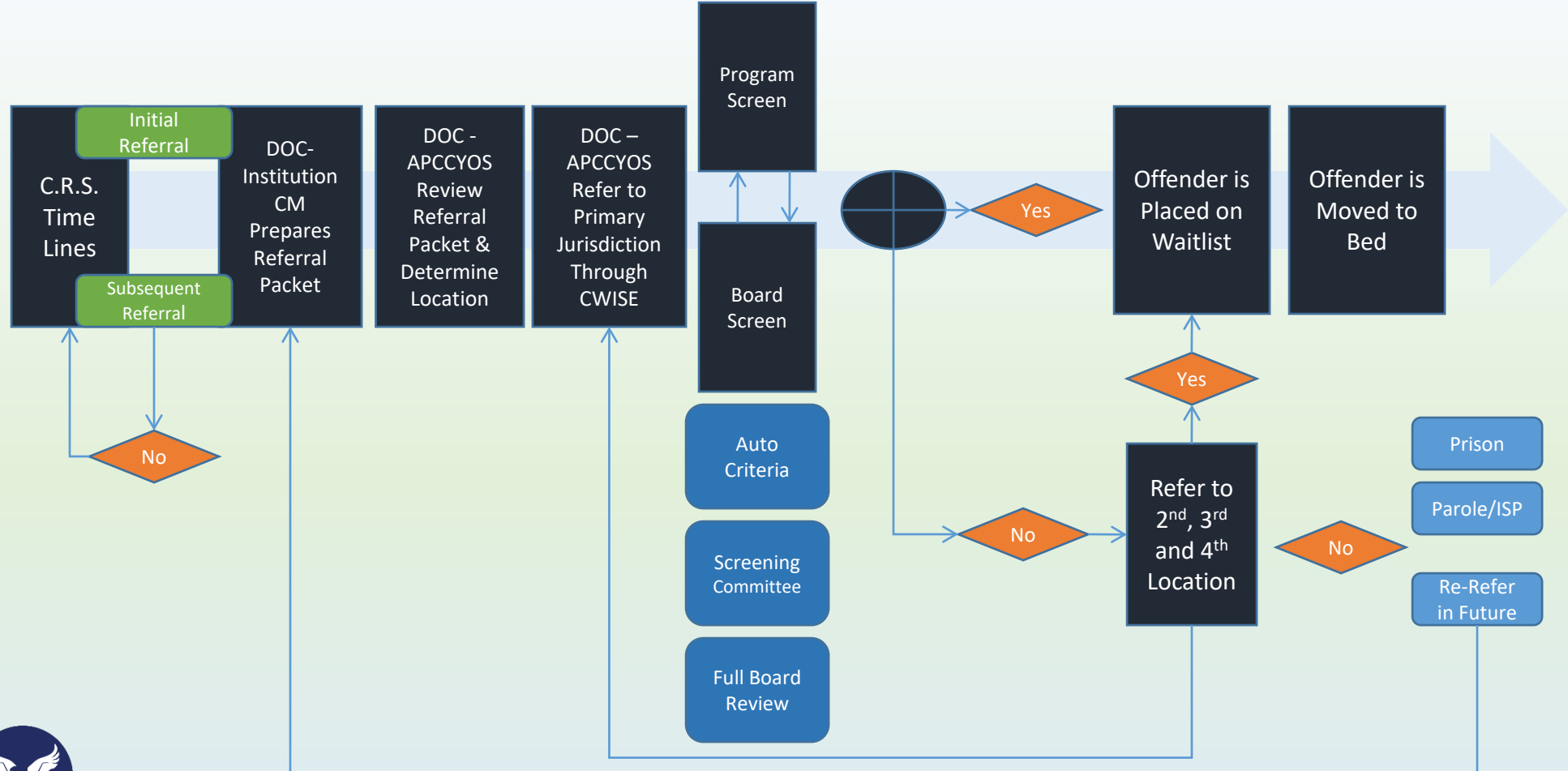
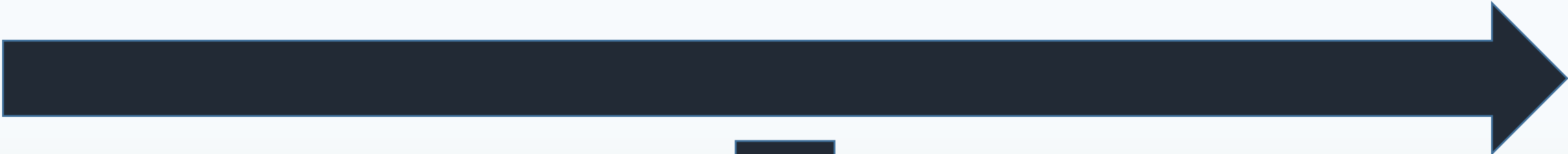


Referral Process *cont'd*

- Per HB18-1251: Board shall develop and use a structured, research-based decision-making process, including
 - Professional judgement
 - Actuarial risk and needs assessments
- Per Colorado Community Corrections Standards: Programs shall do the same



Transition Regular Residential – Referral Process



FY20 Acceptance Rates

	Transition Referrals	Transition Referrals Denied by Board	Transition Referrals Denied by Facility	% of Transition Referrals Approved	Diversion Referrals	Diversion Referrals Denied by Board	Diversion Referrals Denied by Facility	% of Diversion Referrals Approved	Condition of Parole Referrals	Condition of Parole Referrals Denied by Board	Condition of Parole Referrals Denied by Facility	% of Condition of Parole Referrals Approved
Totals	6911	1784	2302	41%	7096	1147	860	72%	974	206	303	48%




Exchange of Information

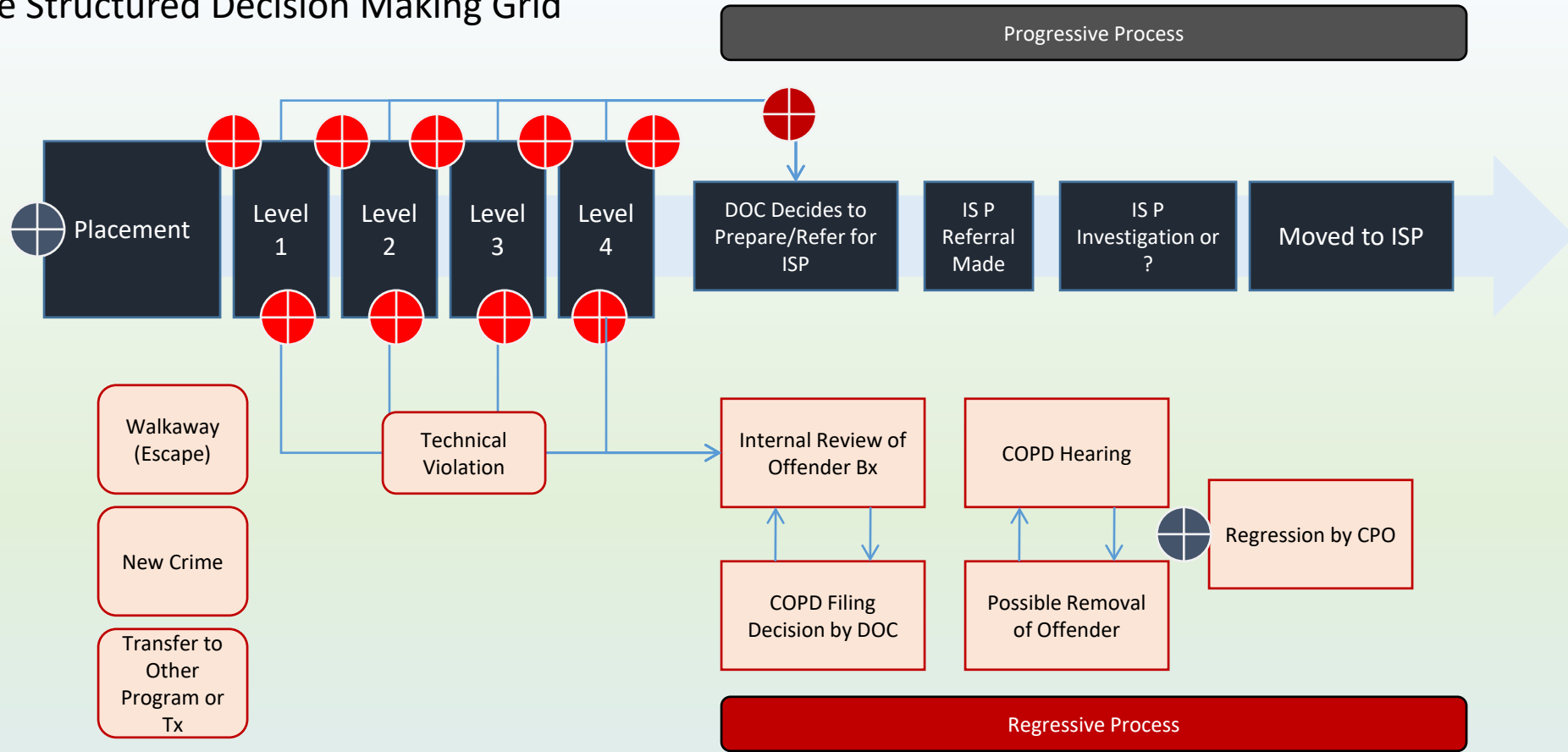
- DOC CM to Board/Program
- Board to DOC
 - Per 17-27-103 and HB18-1251
 - The community corrections board shall provide, in writing, acceptance criteria and screening procedures to each referring agency
 - 100% complete (boards with a program) and on file with DOC
- Board/Program to DOC
 - Per HB18-1251
 - Submit electronically reason for denial and timeline for re-referral (6-12 months)
 - DOC to provide this information to the client
- Program to Parole Board
 - Per HB18-1251
 - Parole hearing scheduled w/in 60 days of CC program completion, majority of full board to deny



Transition Client Program Process

 = Structured Decision Making Grid in Place

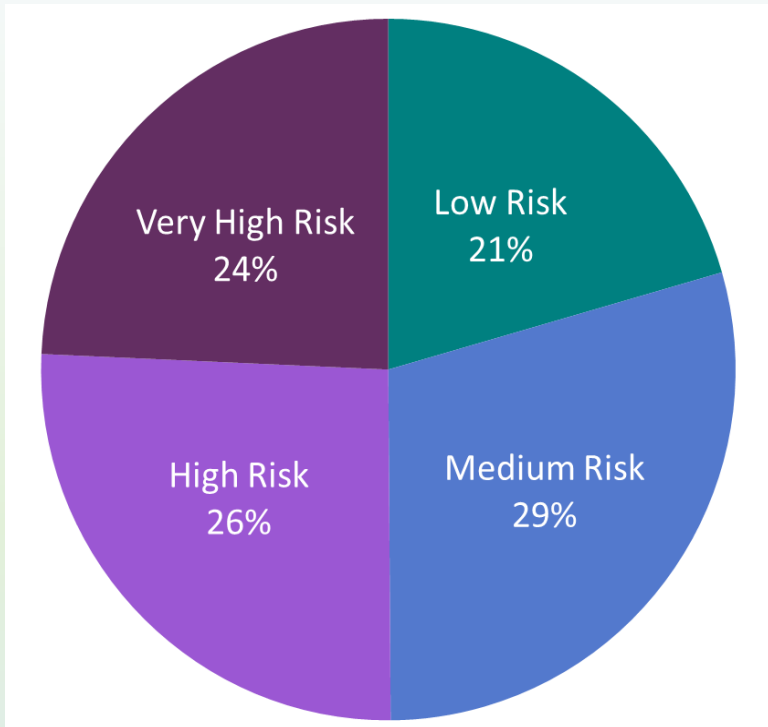
 = Future Structured Decision Making Grid



Community Corrections Client Risk Level

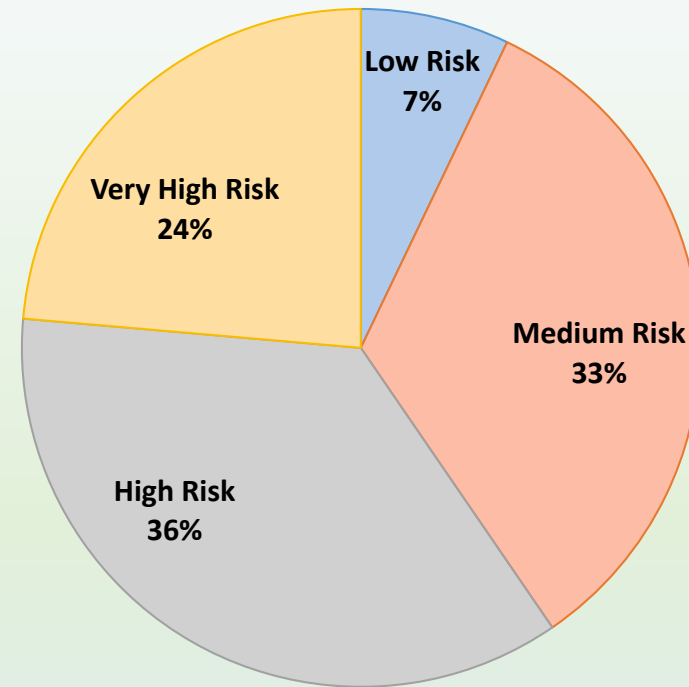
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**Risk Distribution in Community Corrections
FY 2017 Terminations**

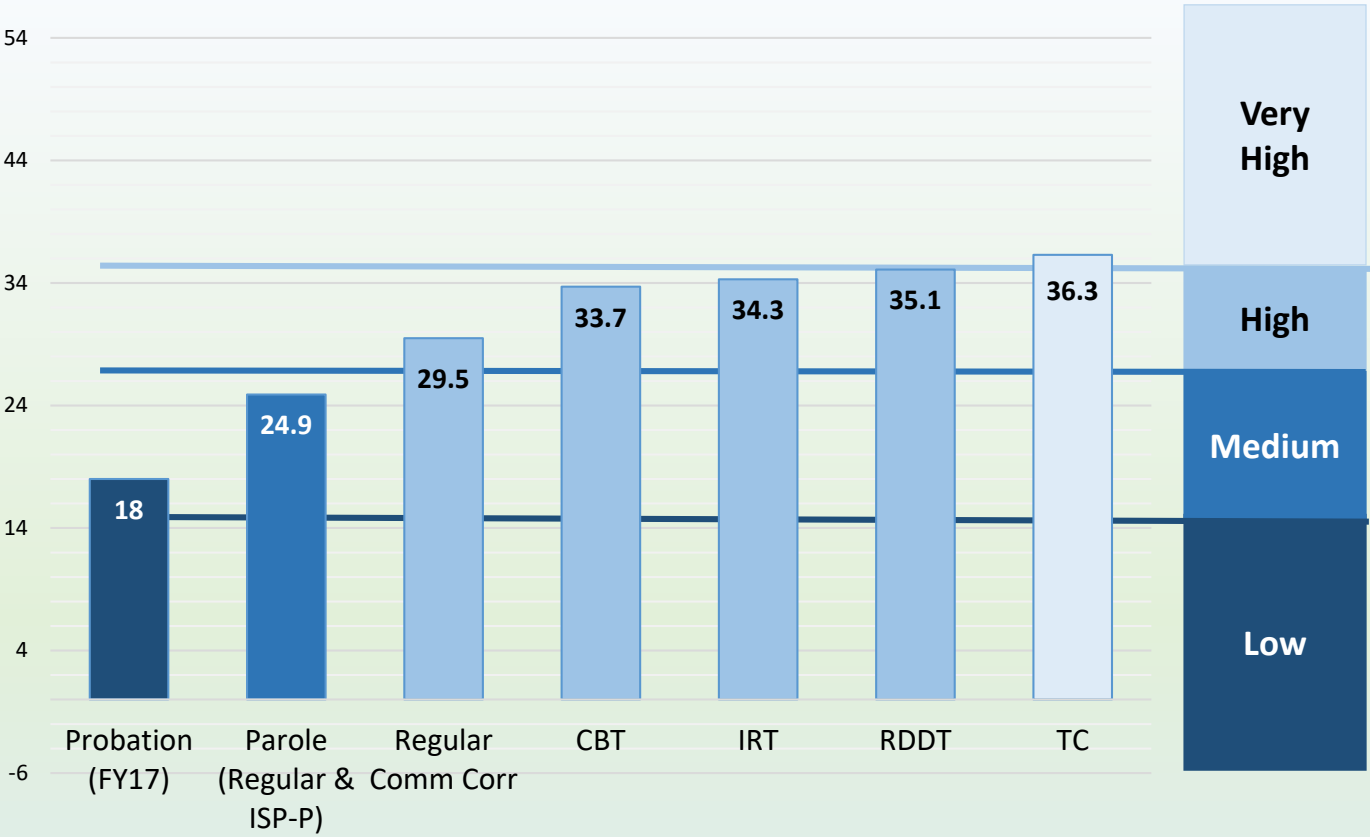


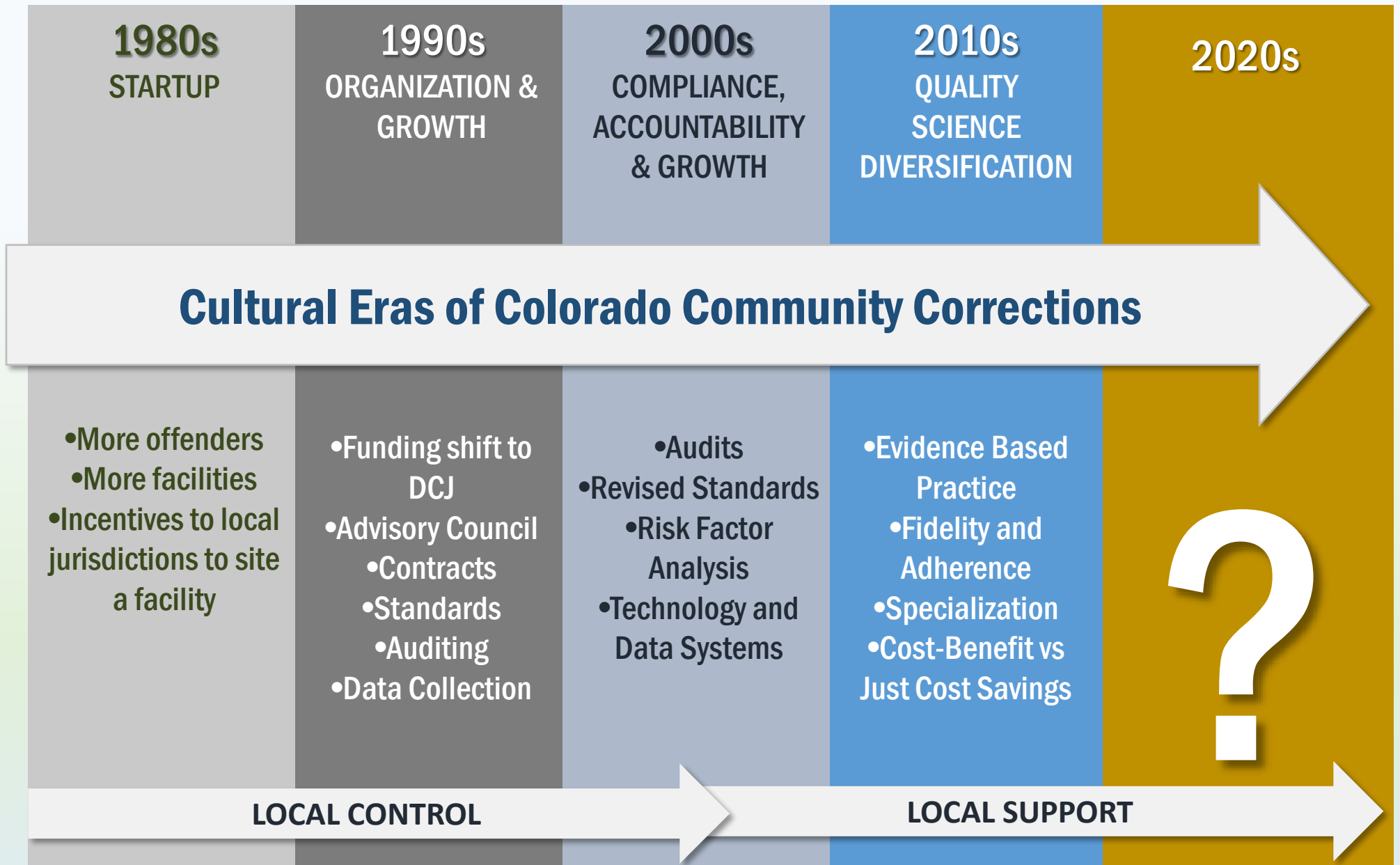
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Average LSI Scores Across Community Corrections Populations FY20





Thank you

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