**MRC AUTISM DATA REPORT SUMMARY**

Youth Aged 14-22

Served FY2019

Demographics

MRC served a total of 1,815 individuals aged 16 to 22 during FY2019 (Between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019) in its VR program. Of these, slightly over 60% were enrolled in some type of **high school** (1114, or 61.4%). The vast majority (1508, or 83.1%) identified as **male**, while the remaining 17% were either **female** (303, or 16.7%) or chose not to disclose their gender. The **age** **range** of those who received services was **between 16 and 22**, with those **18 and over at the end of the fiscal year** comprising 94.4%.

There is a concentration of students with autism served in offices with catchment areas in suburban areas (such as the Milford, Lowell, and Framingham, and Somerville offices), particularly in the 128 and 495 belts versus those with more urban catchment areas (Springfield, Holyoke, Brockton, Boston, Roxbury)

Note that disability information for potentially eligible Pre-ETS students was not available in FY2019. This information is being collected for these students as of July 1, 2019 for FY2020.

Employment

During this period, 97 (5.3% of the overall student pool) landed a Successful Employment Outcome (**SEO**). All SEO have **health insurance**, with 9.3% of those being employer-sponsored. The **average** **hours worked** for this SEO group total 23.9 per week, with a median of 20.0 hours. **Average** **hourly wage** is $13.20, with a median wage of $12.00.

Current Statuses

Approximately three-quarters (1358, or 74.8%) of this group of consumers with autism are currently in **Status 18** (training phase), while the remaining 25% are elsewhere in the VR process (Status 16 and lower or Status 20 and above). About seven-tenths that were served (1293, or 71.2%) have **less than a high school diploma**, while the remainder (522, or 28.8%) have achieved either that or a higher level of education. 66.2% (1201) of youth consumers are currently receiving **pre-employment transition services** in the Individualized Plan for Employment (**IPE**). 60.1% currently have services for work-based learning experiences. Finally, less than 1% were employed (12, or 0.7%) at the time they applied for VR services.