

2016-17 FAMILY/GUARDIAN SURVEY

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What is NCI?

The National Core Indicators (NCI) program is a voluntary effort by state developmental disability agencies to track their performance using a standardized set of consumer and family/guardian surveys with nationally validated measures. The effort is coordinated by the National Association of State Directors of Developmental Disabilities Services (NASDDDS) and the Human Services Research Institute (HSRI).

NCI has developed more than 100 standard performance measures (or ‘indicators’) that states use to assess the outcomes of services for individuals and families, including outcomes in the areas of employment, rights, service planning, community inclusion, choice, health, and safety. In 2016-17 a total of 45 states, the District of Columbia and 22 sub-state entities participated in NCI.

What is the NCI Family/Guardian Survey?

The NCI Family/Guardian Survey is used to gather data on family outcomes. It is mailed to families and guardians who have an adult family member who does not live in the family home and receives at least one service other than case management from the state DD agency. The survey collects demographic information on both the individual receiving services and the person who fills out the survey (the ‘respondent’) as well as information on services and supports received. The survey is continually refined and tested to ensure it is valid and reliable.

In 2016-17, a total of 9,194 Family/Guardian Surveys were completed across 12 states¹. The survey contained six groupings of questions (“sub-domains”) that probe specific areas of quality service provision: information and planning, access and delivery of services, choice and control, community connections, satisfaction, and outcomes (see Table A1 on the following page). Respondents also had the option of writing open-ended comments concerning their family’s participation in the service system.

¹ States that conducted the Family/Guardian Survey in 2016-17 were: AZ, CA, FL, GA, KY, LA, MD, NC, NJ, PA, SD and VA.

Table A1. NCI Family Survey – Sub-Domains and Concern Statements

Sub-Domain	Concern Statement
Information and Planning	Families/family members with disabilities have the information and support necessary to plan for their services and supports.
Access & Support Delivery	Families/family members with disabilities get the services and supports they need.
Choice, Decision Making & Control	Families/family members with disabilities determine the services and supports they receive and the individuals or agencies who provide them.
Involvement in the Community	Family members with disabilities use integrated community services and participate in everyday community activities.
Satisfaction	Families/family members with disabilities receive adequate and satisfactory supports.
Outcomes	Individual and family supports make a positive difference in the lives of families.

How were people selected to participate?

States were asked to administer the survey to a random sample of at least 1,200 families, all of whom have an adult family member with an intellectual or developmental disability who lives somewhere other than the family home and receives at least one direct service or support other than service coordination.

Beginning in 2016-17, states had a choice of mailing paper surveys to families selected in their sample, sending a URL link for families to complete surveys online (referred to as “direct entry”), or both. In previous years, states only had the option to mail paper surveys. A total of five states had at least a portion of surveys completed via direct entry mode.²

All states mailed out a paper survey to families selected in their sample. A sample size of 1,200 was recommended with the expectation of a 40% return rate or greater (yielding 400 or more usable responses per state). However, most states decided to sample more than 1,000 families, expecting a lower response rate than 40%. A final sample size of 400 would guarantee a +/- 5% margin of error and a 95% confidence level when interpreting the results. Both the confidence level and margin of error used are widely accepted standards for reviewing results, regardless of population size. States with fewer than 1,000 potential respondent families were instructed to send surveys to all eligible families. With response rates lower than expected, we included in our national reports those states that submitted fewer than 400 surveys up to a margin of error of no greater than +/- 7%.

Data Analysis

Surveys received from the state were considered valid, based on the following two criteria:

1. The respondent indicated the individual with an intellectual or developmental disability receiving services lived somewhere other than the family home.
2. At least a portion of survey questions were answered aside from demographic information.

² States that used the direct entry or mail and direct entry options were: KY, LA, NC, NJ, and SD. For more information on response rates and mode, please see the Methodology section within the national edition of the 2016-17 Family/Guardian Survey Report.

Questions left blank or marked ‘not applicable’ are not included in analysis. For most questions, ‘don’t know’ responses were excluded from analysis. Two questions in the Satisfaction section combine ‘no’ and ‘don’t know’ responses, those questions are denoted with an asterisk in the table. For all items shown, states receive an ‘n/a’ designation in table presentations for a survey item if fewer than 20 people responded; however, their data are included in the NCI Average.

Weighting

In previous years, the NCI average was calculated as the simple arithmetic mean of all state means (an approach known as “average of averages”). This year, the approach has been enhanced to take into account the relative numbers of people receiving services through participating states’ systems. Beginning this year, the NCI averages contained in this report are “weighted” means. Applying statistical weights allows a state that provides services to a larger number of people (but is represented in the data by a sample of the same size as other states) to have a higher influence on the overall NCI average—that is, the state’s contribution to the NCI average is proportional to its service population. The weights used in calculations for this report were developed using each participating state’s number of survey respondents and its total survey-eligible population.³

Significance testing

Starting this survey cycle (2016-17), statistical significance is shown in this report. The state’s percentage was compared to the weighted NCI average (described above), and the differences between the two were tested for both **statistical significance** as well as **effect sizes**. Effect sizes are used in addition to statistical significance because statistical significance of a state’s result depends, in part, on the size of the state’s sample: the larger the sample, the more likely it is that even a small difference will be found *statistically* significant.

The t-test analyses established whether the state’s percentage was:

1. Higher than the NCI average, and the difference was statistically significant (denoted in the report with an up arrow ▲);
2. Within the average range (i.e., not statistically different from the NCI Average); or
3. Lower than the NCI average, and the difference was statistically significant (denoted in the report with a down arrow ▼).

³ For more information on weighting and significance testing, see the Methodology section of the National Family/Guardian Survey.

Statistical significance testing was conducted on each state's "yes" or "always" response compared to the NCI average; statistical significance was determined at the $p \leq .01$ level.⁴ Demographics data and data on services received were not tested for statistically significant differences.

Limitations of the data

The NCI Family/Guardian Survey is a tool for assessing system-wide performance. It is not intended to be used to monitor individuals or providers. The NCI Statewide Average should not be interpreted as defining or providing a benchmark for "acceptable" levels of performance or satisfaction. Instead, it describes average levels of performance or satisfaction across the State; it is up to public managers, policy-makers, and other stakeholders to use the data to determine programmatic and policy-related priorities.

What is contained in this report?

This report illustrates the 2016-17 NCI Family/Guardian Survey demographic and outcome results from Virginia (VA) compared to the NCI Average. All results are shown first in charts and then in table form, and arrow symbols (▲ and ▼) are used to indicate areas where the state average was statistically higher or lower than the NCI Average. **Please note: items without the ▲ or ▼ arrow symbols indicate that the state was within the NCI Average range.** For most items, the total number of respondents (N) from the state and across NCI states is displayed in charts and tables. States with fewer than 20 responses to a question were excluded from analysis for that question. All state and national data results for this survey can be found online at <http://www.nationalcoreindicators.org/resources/reports/>.

⁴ For more information on weighting and significance testing, see the Methodology section of the National Family/Guardian Survey.

Family Member

This section provides demographic profiles of the family member about whom the survey was completed.

Table 1. Family member's residence

		Specialized facility for people with intellectual disabilities (ICF, state-run or other institutional setting)	Group Home	Agency Operated Apartment	Independent Home or Apartment	Adult Foster Care or Host Family Home	Nursing Home	Homeless	Other	N
Family Member's Residence	VA	10%	66%	3%	5%	4%	7%	0%	5%	186
	NCI	12%	53%	7%	20%	4%	2%	0%	2%	8,945

Table 2. Family member's residential setting

		Urban or suburban	Rural	N
Family Member's Residential Setting	VA	75%	25%	179
	NCI	85%	15%	8,879

Table 3. Family member's age

		Mean	N
Family Member's Age	VA	50.1	178
	NCI	46.3	8,964

Table 4. Family member's gender

		Male	Female	N
Family Member's Gender	VA	56%	44%	185
	NCI	59%	41%	9,067

Table 5. Family member's race and ethnicity

		American Indian or Alaska Native	Asian	Black or African-American	Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	White	Other or Unknown	Hispanic or Latino
Family Member's Race and Ethnicity	VA	2%	2%	13%	0%	82%	2%	2%
	NCI	2%	4%	10%	0%	79%	2%	7%

Table 6a. Family member's disabilities *

		Intellectual Disability	Mood Illness or Psychiatric Disorder	Autism Spectrum Disorder	Cerebral Palsy	Limited or No Vision	Severe or Profound Hearing Loss	Brain Injury
Family Member's Disabilities	VA	80%	31%	18%	21%	12%	9%	10%
	NCI	74%	33%	25%	17%	9%	7%	11%

Table 6b. Family member's disabilities (continued)*

		Seizure Disorder or Neurological Problem	Chemical Dependency	Down Syndrome	Prader-Willi Syndrome	Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder	Other
Family Member's Disabilities	VA	35%	1%	7%	0%	1%	15%
	NCI	28%	1%	9%	1%	1%	13%

Table 7a. Family member's health conditions *

		Cardiovascular Disease	Diabetes	Cancer	High Blood Pressure	High Cholesterol
Family Member's Health Conditions	VA	11%	24%	7%	33%	26%
	NCI	9%	19%	5%	30%	31%

Table 7b. Family member's health conditions (continued) *

		Dysphagia	Pressure Ulcers	Alzheimer's Disease or Other Dementia	Oral Health or Dental Problems	Sleep Apnea	Other
Family Member's Health Conditions	VA	11%	2%	7%	16%	8%	34%
	NCI	12%	2%	5%	16%	12%	33%

*Categories are not mutually exclusive; therefore N is not shown

Table 8. Family member's preferred means of communication

		Spoken	Gestures or Body Language	Sign Language or Finger Spelling	Communication Aid or Device	Other	N
Family Member's Preferred Means of Communication	VA	63%	33%	0%	1%	4%	187
	NCI	74%	19%	2%	1%	4%	9,027

Table 9. Family member's level of guardianship

		None	Limited	Full	Has Guardianship but Level Is Unknown	N
Level of Guardianship or Conservatorship of Family Member	VA	24%	19%	53%	4%	176
	NCI	32%	10%	32%	26%	8,415

Table 10. Guardian or conservator's relationship to family member

		Family	Friend	State Employee or Guardianship Agency	Other	N
Guardian or Conservator Relationship to Family Member	VA	85%	4%	6%	4%	116
	NCI	86%	2%	8%	4%	5,071

Table 11. Family member's highest level of education

		Did Not Complete High School (and Not Currently Enrolled)	Currently Enrolled in High School	High School Certification	High School Diploma or GED	Vocational School or Certificate Program	Some College	College Degree or Higher	N
Family Member's Highest Level of Education	VA	53%	2%	31%	11%	3%	0%	1%	171
	NCI	39%	1%	28%	19%	3%	5%	5%	8,169

Table 12. Family member's typical day activity

		Usually/Often	Sometimes	Never	N
Paid Individual Job in the Community	VA	5%	2%	93%	143
	NCI	14%	4%	82%	6,442
Paid Small Group Job in a Community-based Setting	VA	9%	1%	90%	143
	NCI	14%	5%	81%	6,205
Unpaid Activity in the Community	VA	20%	12%	67%	137
	NCI	19%	14%	67%	6,180
Paid Activity in a Facility-based Setting	VA	15%	6%	79%	148
	NCI	24%	7%	70%	6,463
Unpaid Activity in a Facility-based Setting	VA	42%	7%	52%	139
	NCI	39%	7%	54%	6,423
School	VA	3%	1%	96%	110
	NCI	10%	3%	87%	5,030
Stays at Home	VA	37%	19%	44%	111
	NCI	31%	21%	48%	4,947
Other	VA	40%	17%	43%	47
	NCI	58%	9%	32%	1,373

Table 13. Family member's support needs

		Extensive	Some	None	N
Family Member's Support Needs for Self-Injurious, Disruptive, and/or Destructive Behaviors	VA	33%	41%	26%	183
	NCI	30%	37%	33%	8,715
Family Member's Need for Help With Personal Care Activities	VA	56%	37%	7%	189
	NCI	40%	37%	23%	8,987
Family Member's Need for Help With Other Daily Activities	VA	86%	13%	1%	190
	NCI	76%	21%	3%	8,901

Respondents

This section provides demographic information about the respondent.

Table 14. Respondent's age

		Under 35	35-54	55-74	75+	N
Respondent's Age	VA	1%	12%	62%	25%	189
	NCI	1%	11%	60%	27%	9,048

Table 15. Respondent's health

		Excellent	Very good	Fairly good	Poor	N
Respondent's Health	VA	12%	43%	37%	7%	187
	NCI	15%	42%	38%	6%	9,014

Table 16. Respondent's relationship to family member

		Parent	Sibling	Spouse	Grandparent	Public Guardian	Private Guardian	Other	N
Respondent's Relationship to Family Member	VA	56%	25%	1%	1%	1%	4%	13%	190
	NCI	67%	21%	0%	1%	2%	3%	7%	9,083

Table 17. How often respondent sees family member each year

		Less Than Once	1-3 Times	4-6 Times	7-12 Times	12 or More Times	N
How Often Respondent Sees Family Member Each Year	VA	2%	10%	13%	19%	56%	189
	NCI	4%	10%	10%	12%	64%	9,052

Table 18. Respondent's highest level of education

		No High School Diploma or GED	High School Diploma or GED	Vocational School or Certificate Program	Some College	College Degree or Higher	N
Respondent's Highest Level of Education	VA	6%	17%	6%	22%	49%	188
	NCI	5%	19%	5%	24%	47%	8,936

Table 19. Total taxable income of wage earners in household in the past year

		Up to \$15,000	\$15,001- \$25,000	\$25,001- \$50,000	\$50,001- \$75,000	Over \$75,000	No Earned Income	Prefer Not to Say	N
Total Taxable Income of Wage Earners in the Household in Past Year	VA	4%	13%	17%	8%	18%	10%	29%	145
	NCI	6%	10%	17%	11%	18%	11%	27%	7,120

Services and Supports Received

This section provides information about the services and supports received by the family.

Table 20. Services and Supports Received From ID/DD Agency *

	Services and Supports Received From State	
Financial Support	VA	33%
	NCI	33%
In-home Support	VA	25%
	NCI	36%
Residential Supports	VA	91%
	NCI	84%
Day or Employment Supports	VA	60%
	NCI	68%
Transportation	VA	90%
	NCI	82%
Other	VA	61%
	NCI	52%
Self-direction or Fiscal Intermediary Services	VA	13%
	NCI	20%

Table 21. Additional Services and Supports Received *

	Additional Services and Supports Received (Not From the IDD Agency)	
Social Security Payments (SSI/SSB)	VA	97%
	NCI	94%
Services or Supports From Other Agencies or Organizations	VA	30%
	NCI	28%

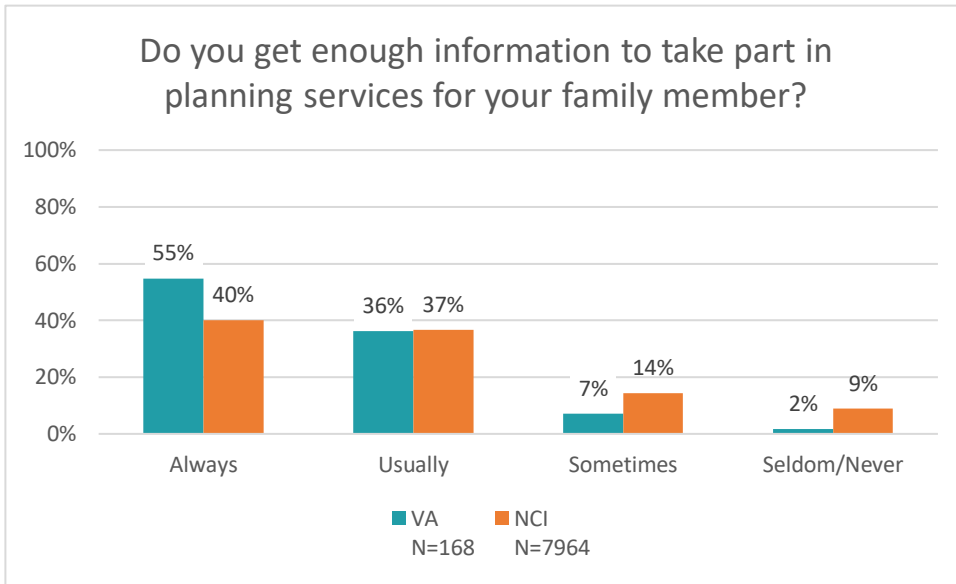
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Information and Planning

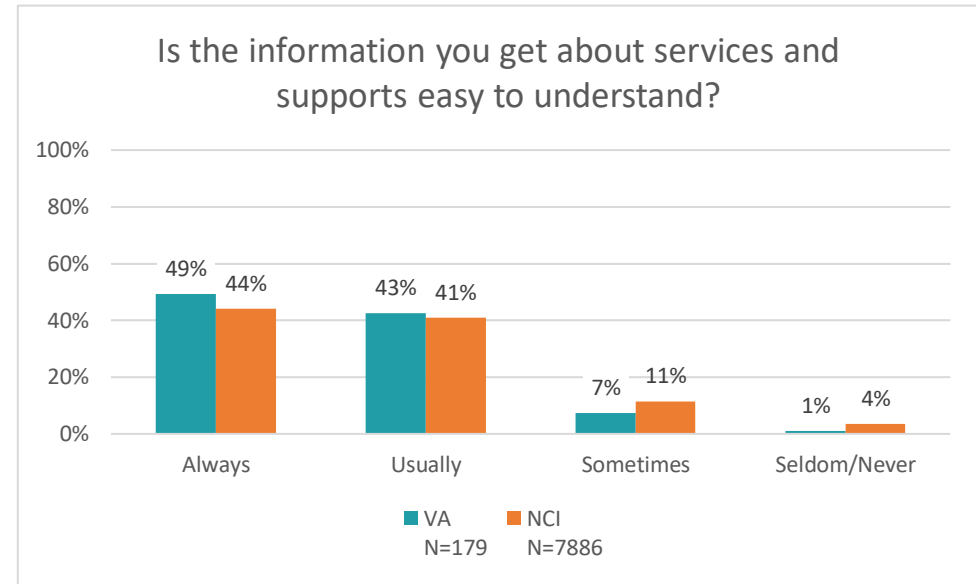
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Charts for Information and Planning

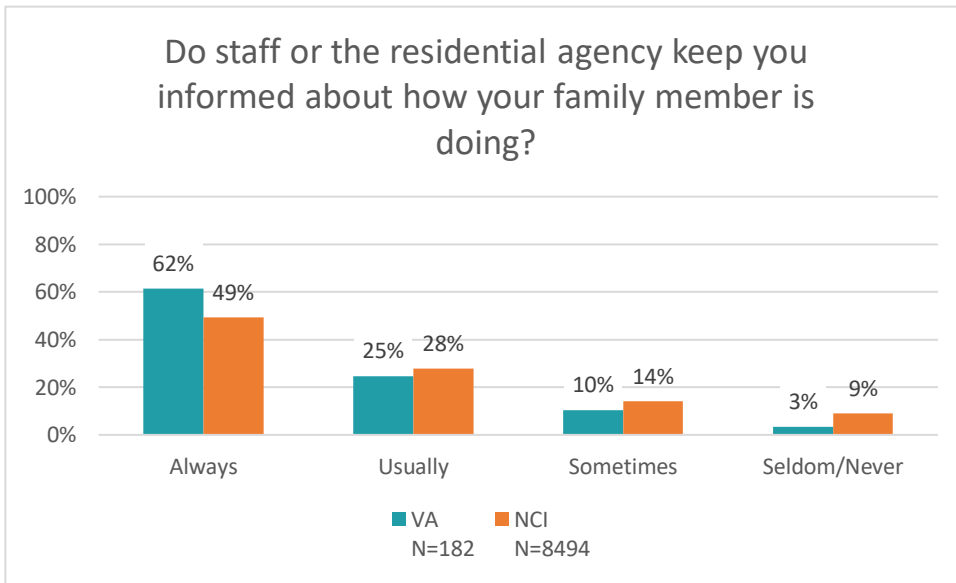
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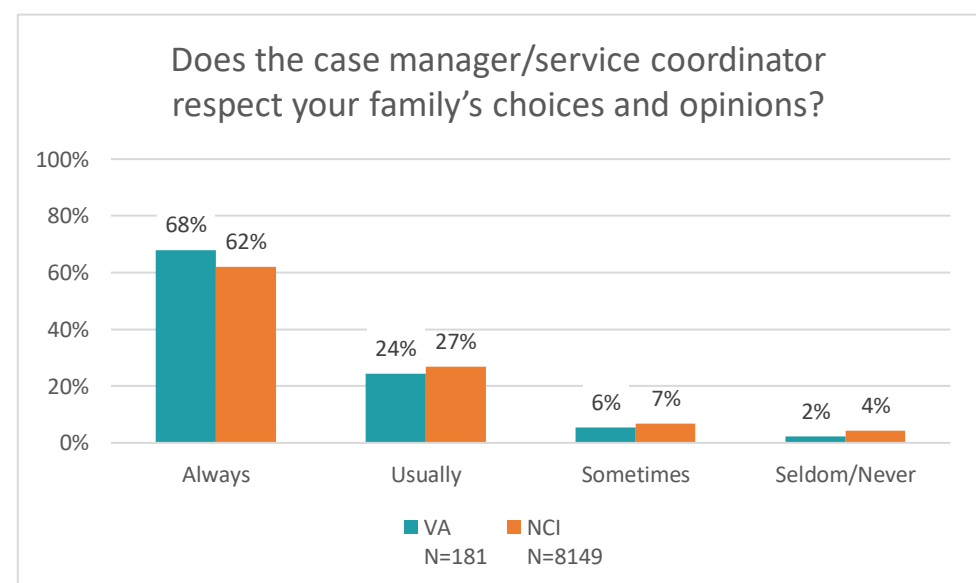
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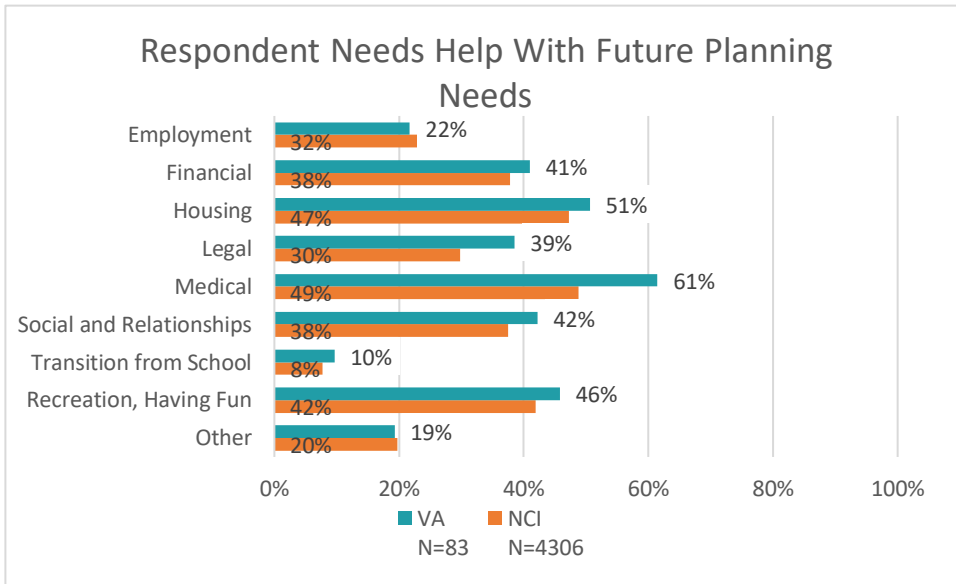
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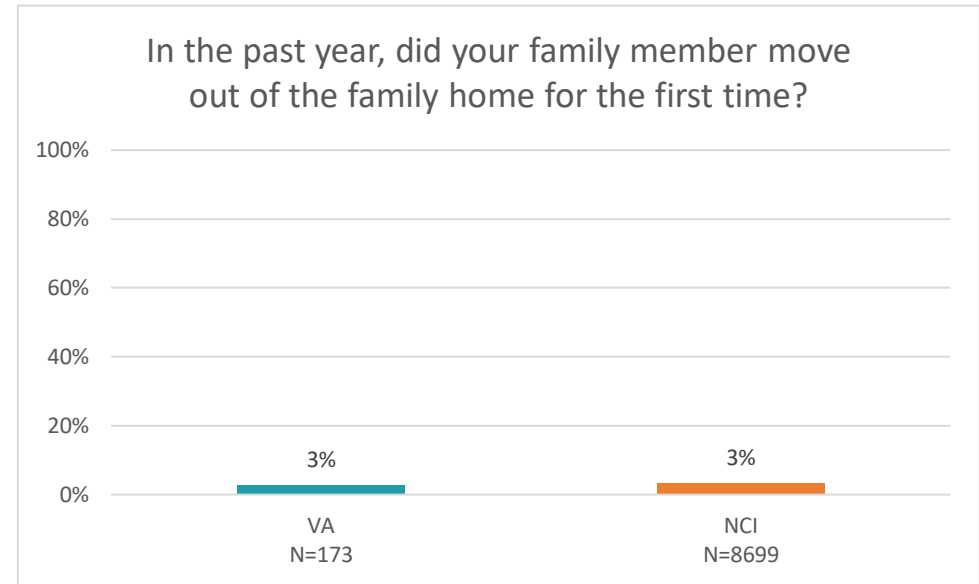
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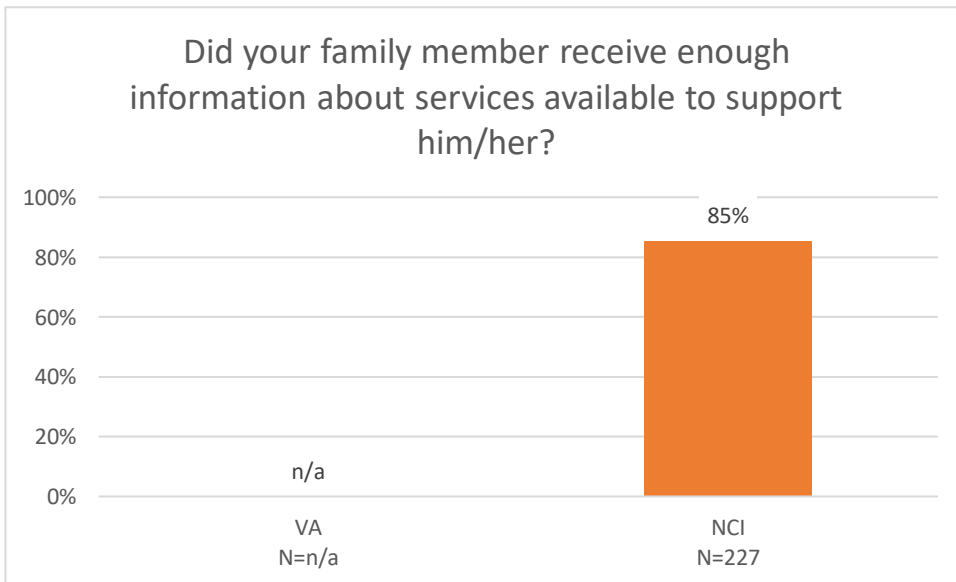
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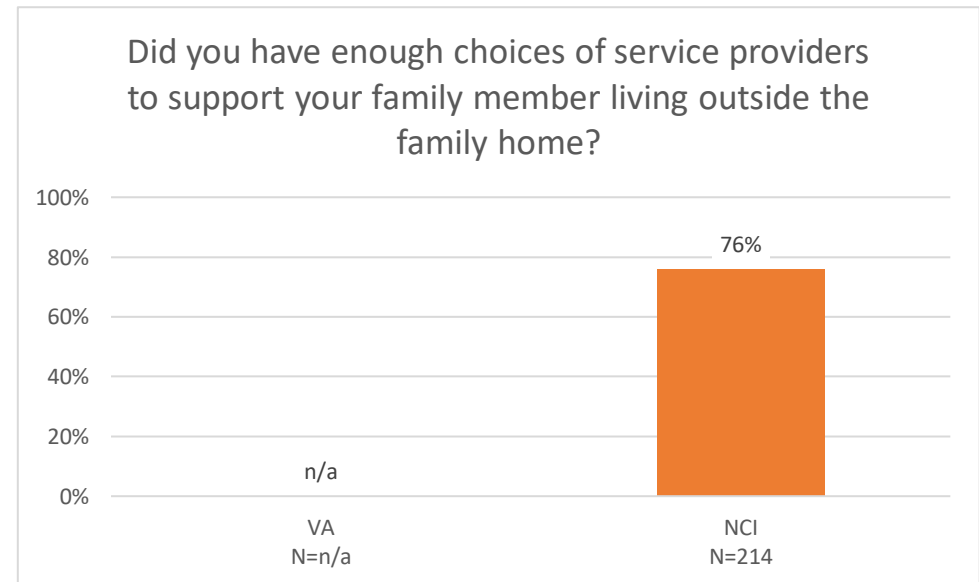
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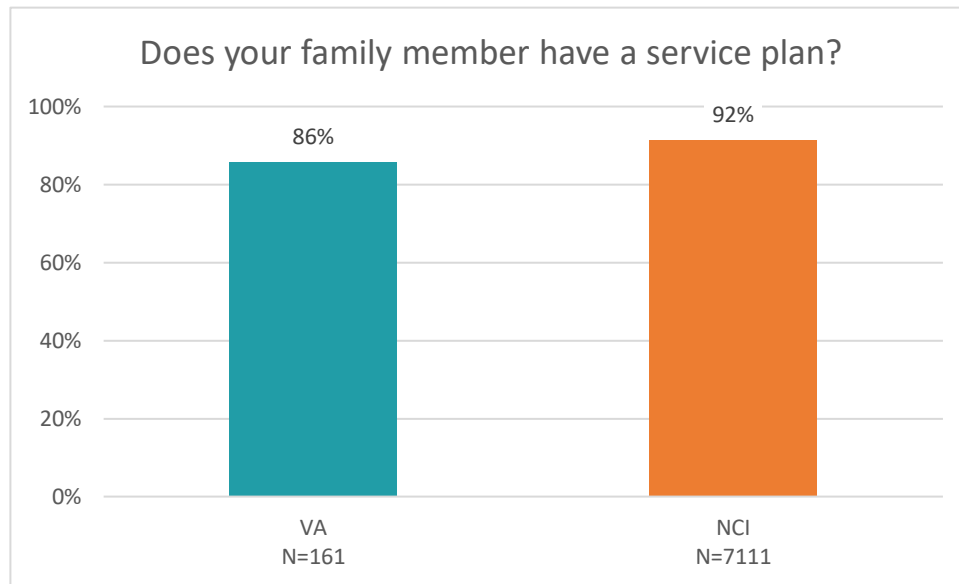
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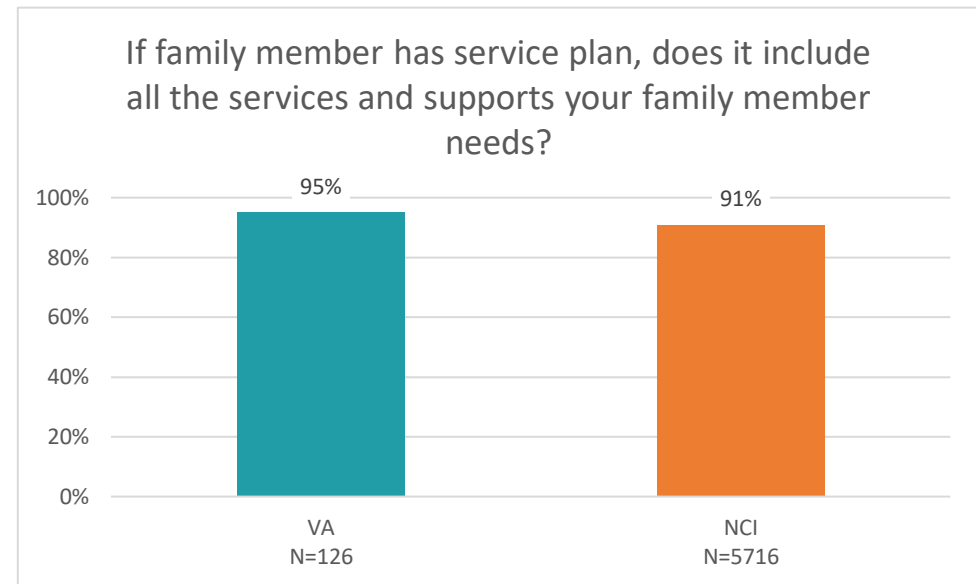
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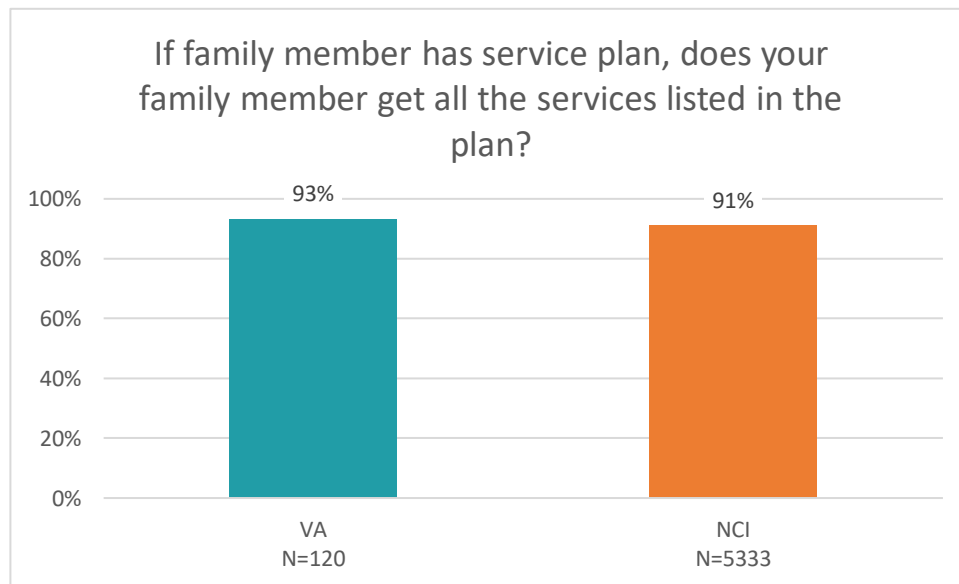
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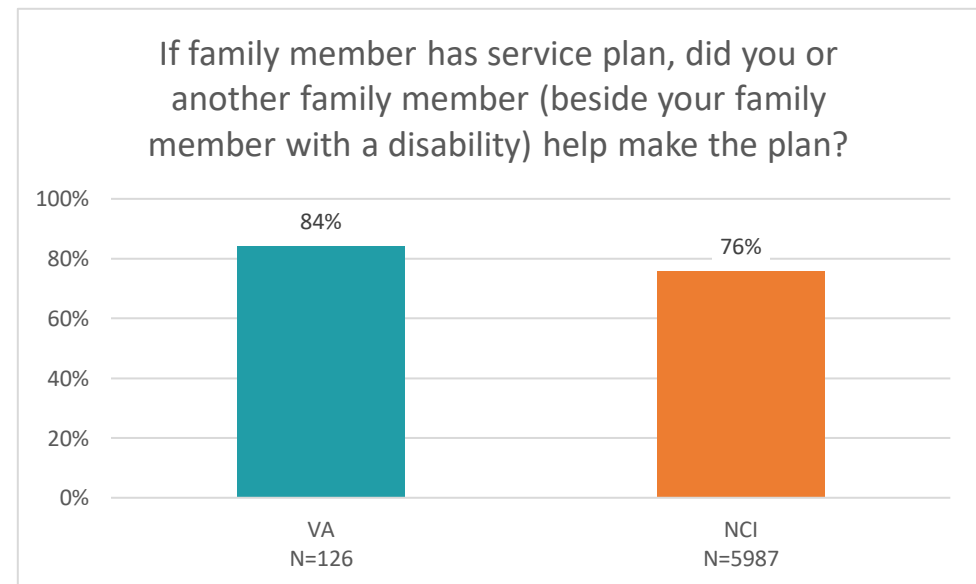
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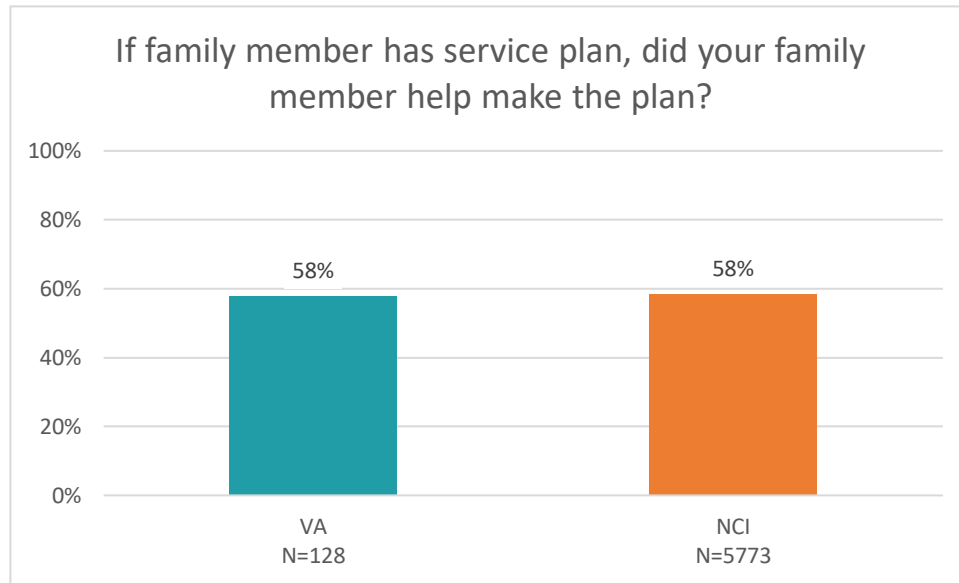
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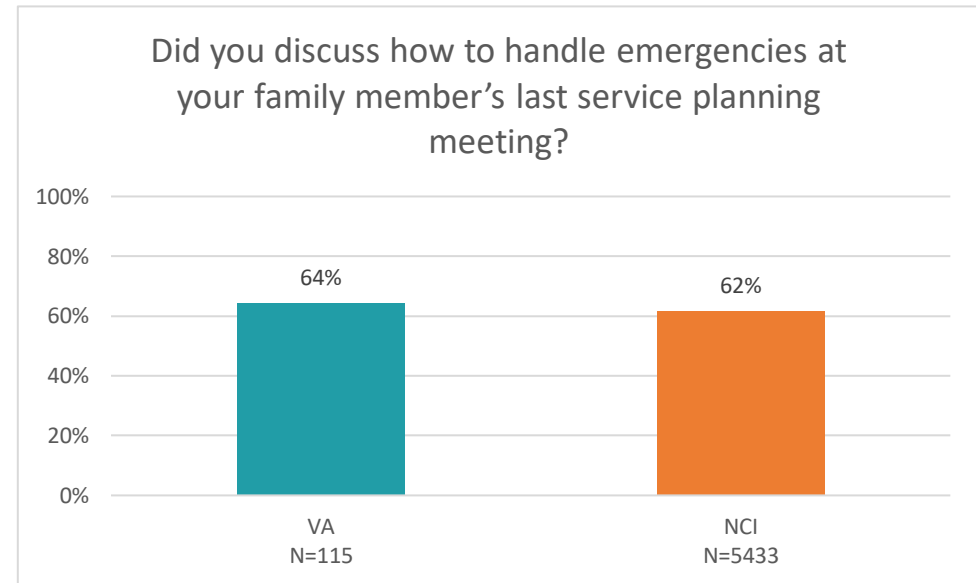
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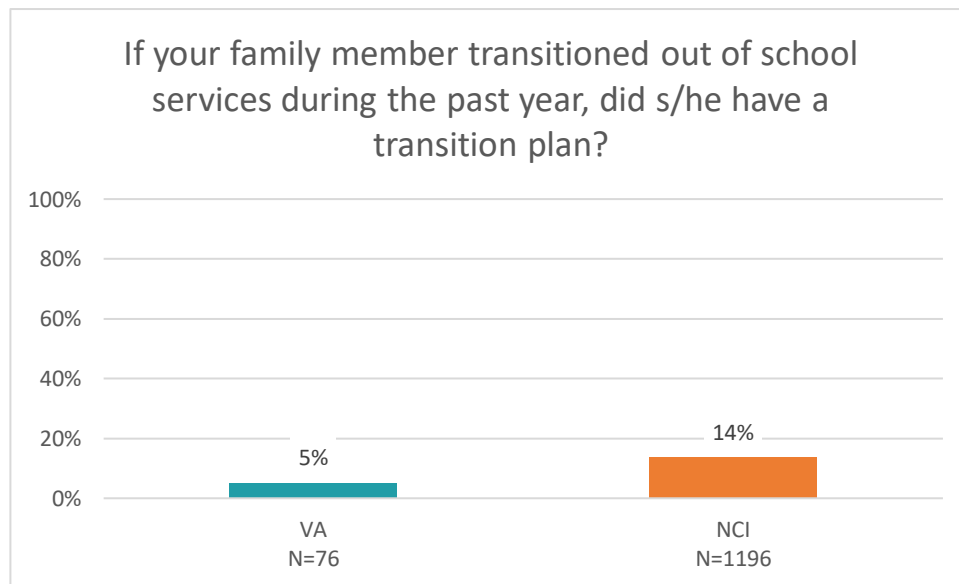
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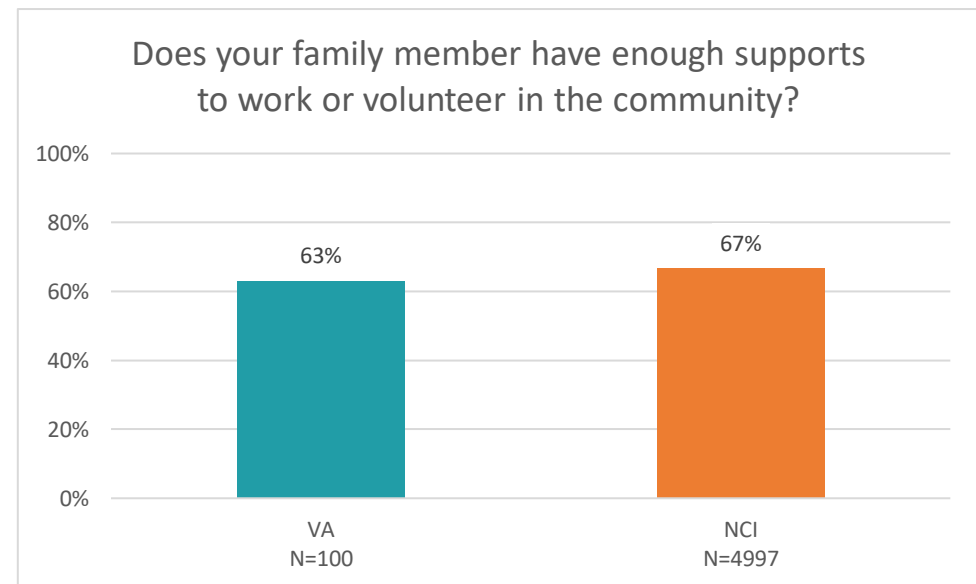
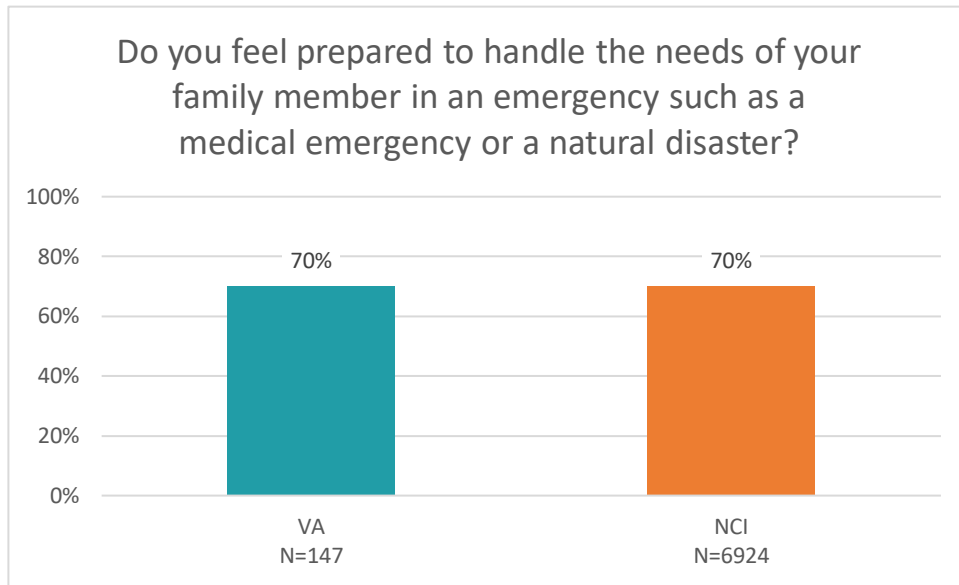


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Tables for Information and Planning

Table 22. Information and Planning—Always Responses

		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom/Never	N
Do you get enough information to take part in planning services for your family member?	VA▲	55%	36%	7%	2%	168
	NCI	40%	37%	14%	9%	7,964
Is the information you get about services and supports easy to understand?	VA	49%	43%	7%	1%	179
	NCI	44%	41%	11%	4%	7,886
Do staff or the residential agency keep you informed about how your family member is doing?	VA▲	62%	25%	10%	3%	182
	NCI	49%	28%	14%	9%	8,494
Does the case manager/service coordinator respect your family's choices and opinions?	VA	68%	24%	6%	2%	181
	NCI	62%	27%	7%	4%	8,149

Table 23. Respondent Needs Help With Future Planning Needs

		Yes
Employment	VA	22%
	NCI	32%
Financial	VA	41%
	NCI	38%
Housing	VA	51%
	NCI	47%
Legal	VA	39%
	NCI	30%
Medical	VA	61%
	NCI	49%
Social and Relationships	VA	42%
	NCI	38%
Transition from School	VA	10%
	NCI	8%
Recreation, Having Fun	VA	46%
	NCI	42%
Other	VA	19%
	NCI	20%
N	VA	83
	NCI	4,306

Table 24. Information and Planning—No Responses

		Yes	No	N
In the past year, did your family member move out of the family home for the first time?	VA	3%	97%	173
	NCI	3%	97%	8,699
<i>If family member moved out of the family home for the first time in the past year...</i>				
Did your family member receive enough information about services available to support him/her?	VA	n/a	n/a	n/a
	NCI	85%	15%	227
Did you have enough choices of service providers to support your family member living outside the family home?	VA	n/a	n/a	n/a
	NCI	76%	24%	214
Does your family member have a service plan?	VA	86%	14%	161
	NCI	92%	9%	7,111
<i>If your family member has a service plan...</i>				
Does it include all the services and supports your family member needs?	VA	95%	5%	126
	NCI	91%	9%	5,716
Does your family member get all the services listed in the plan?	VA	93%	7%	120
	NCI	91%	9%	5,333
Did you or another family member (beside your family member with a disability) help make the plan?	VA	84%	16%	126
	NCI	76%	24%	5,987
Did your family member help make the plan?	VA	58%	42%	128
	NCI	58%	42%	5,773
Did you discuss how to handle emergencies at your family member's last service planning meeting?	VA	64%	36%	115
	NCI	62%	38%	5,433
If your family member transitioned out of school services during the past year, did s/he have a transition plan?	VA ▼	5%	95%	76
	NCI	14%	86%	1,196
Does your family member have enough supports to work or volunteer in the community?	VA	63%	37%	100
	NCI	67%	33%	4,997
Do you feel prepared to handle the needs of your family member in an emergency such as a medical emergency or a natural disaster?	VA	70%	30%	147
	NCI	70%	30%	6,924

Access and Delivery of Services and Supports

Families and family members with disabilities get the services and supports they need

Charts for Access and Delivery of Services and Supports

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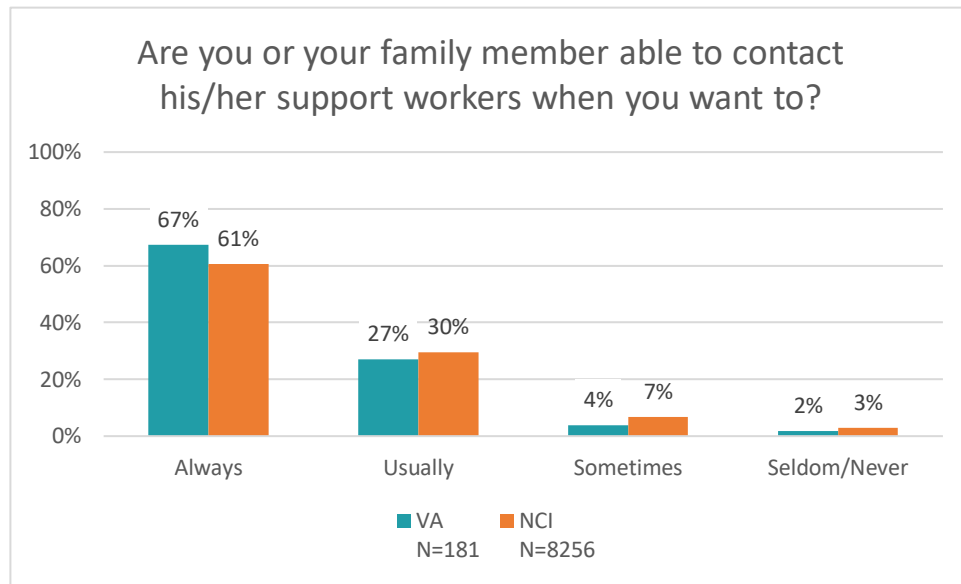


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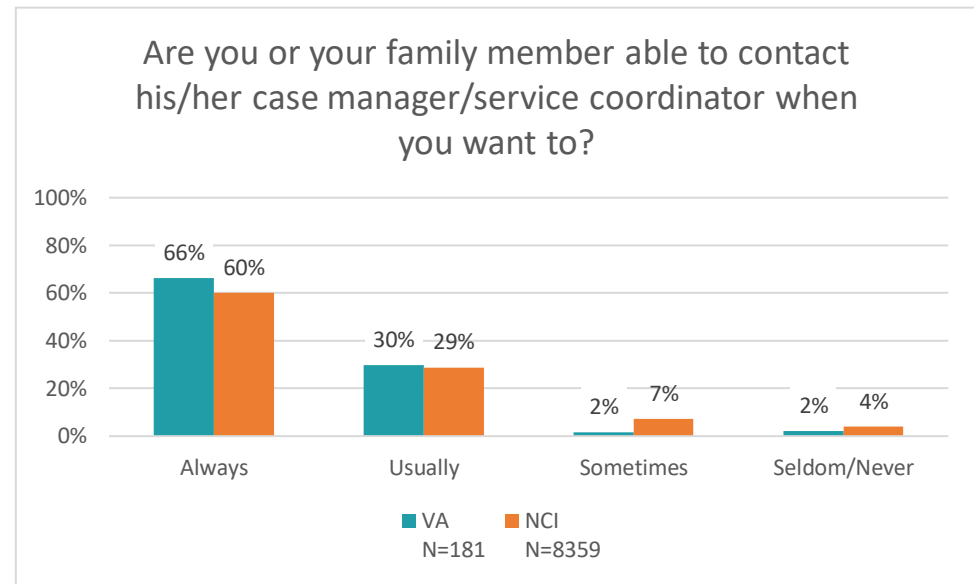


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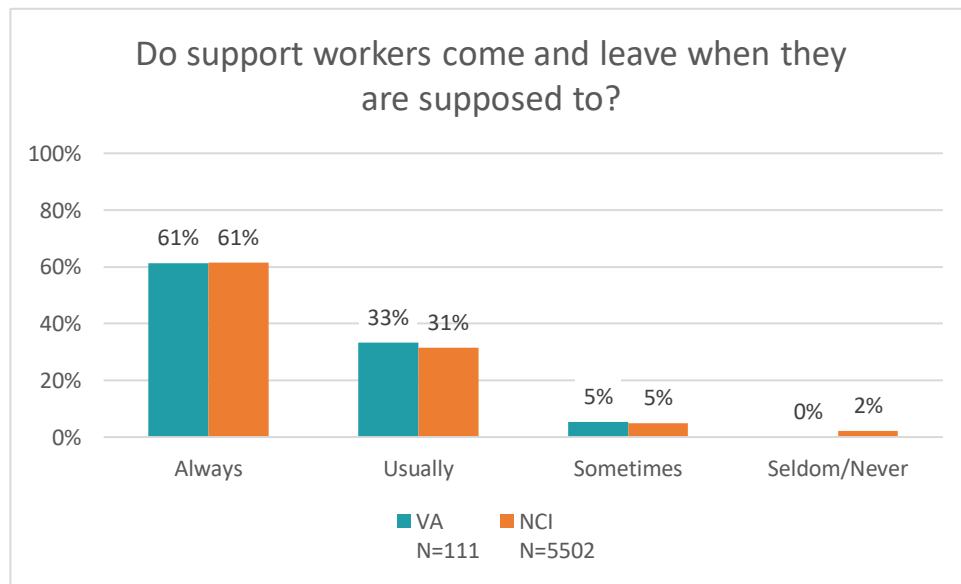


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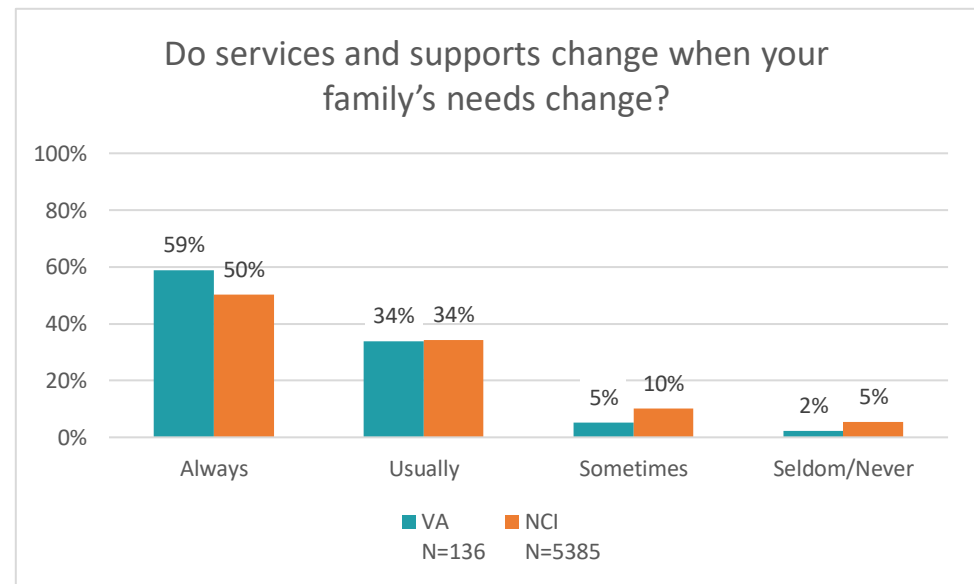


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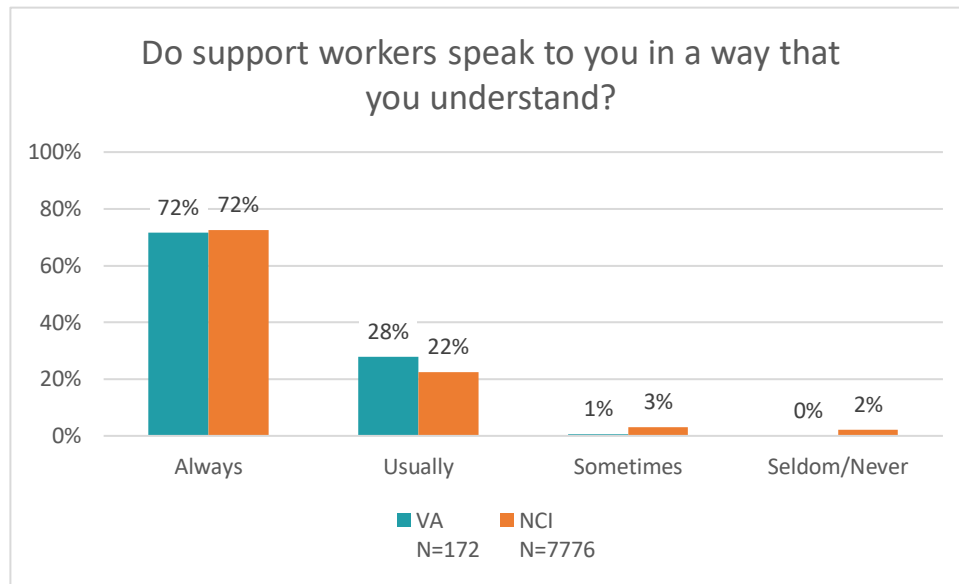


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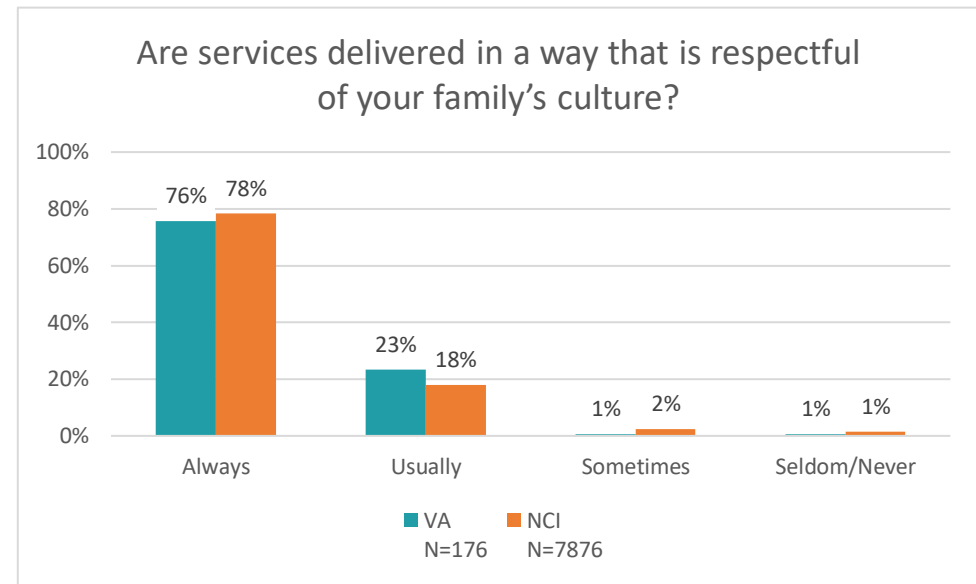


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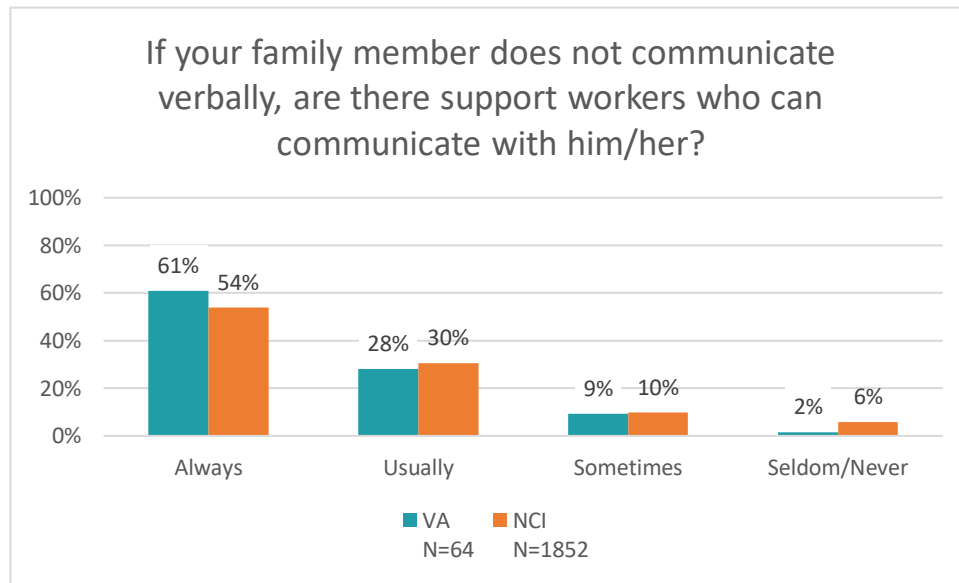


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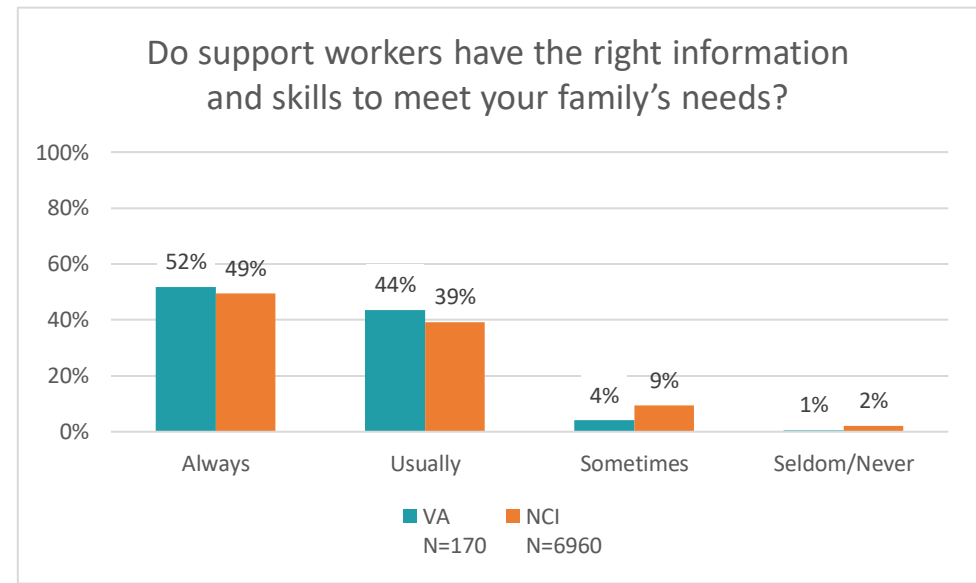


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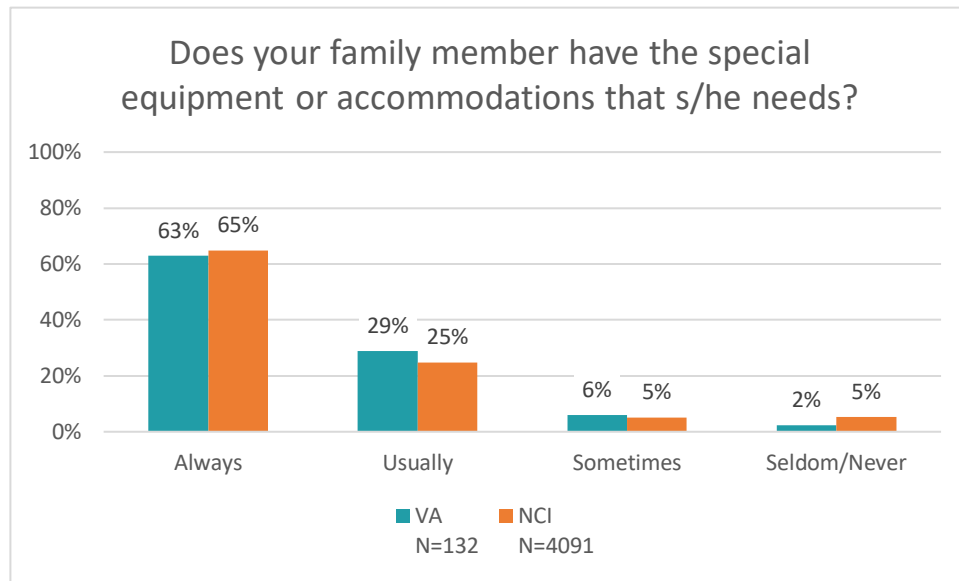


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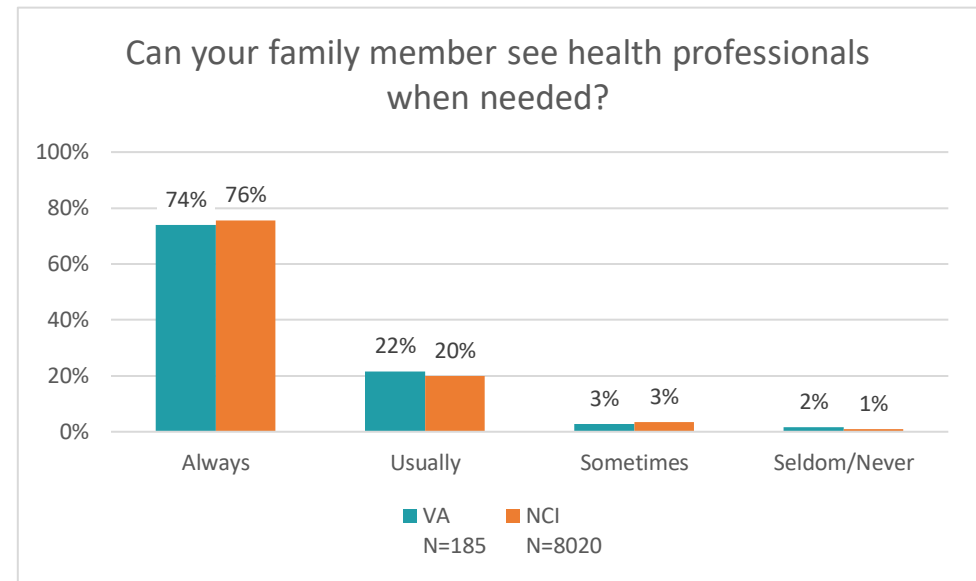


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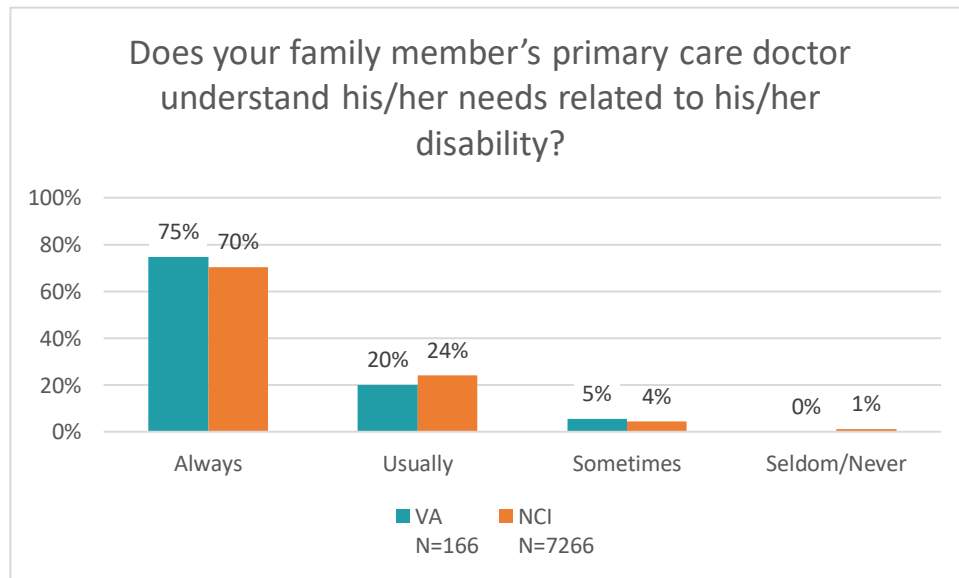


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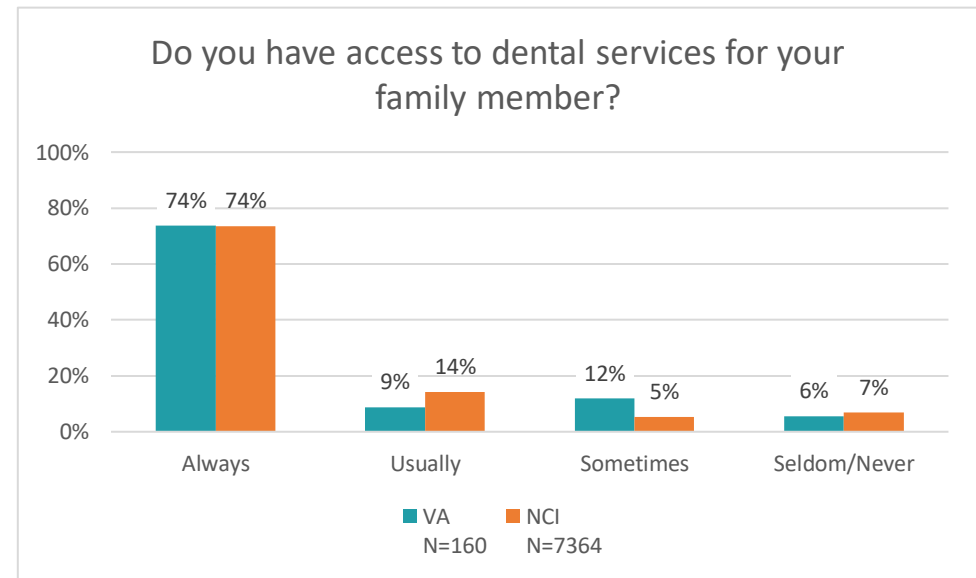


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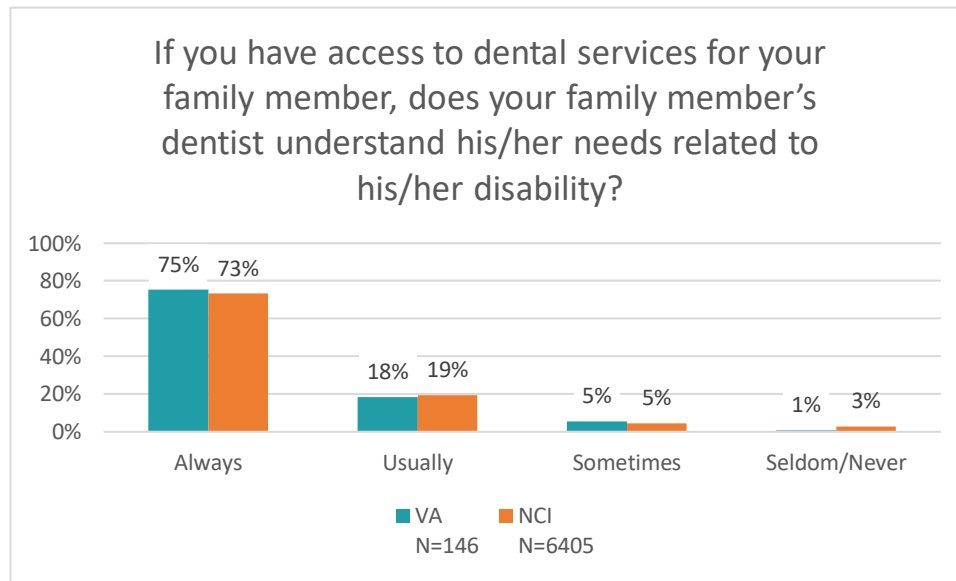


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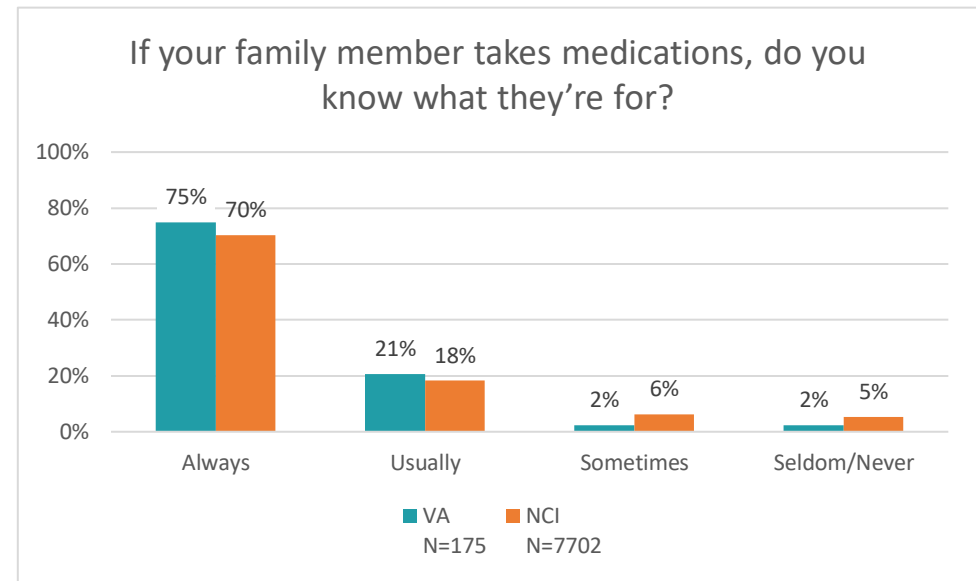


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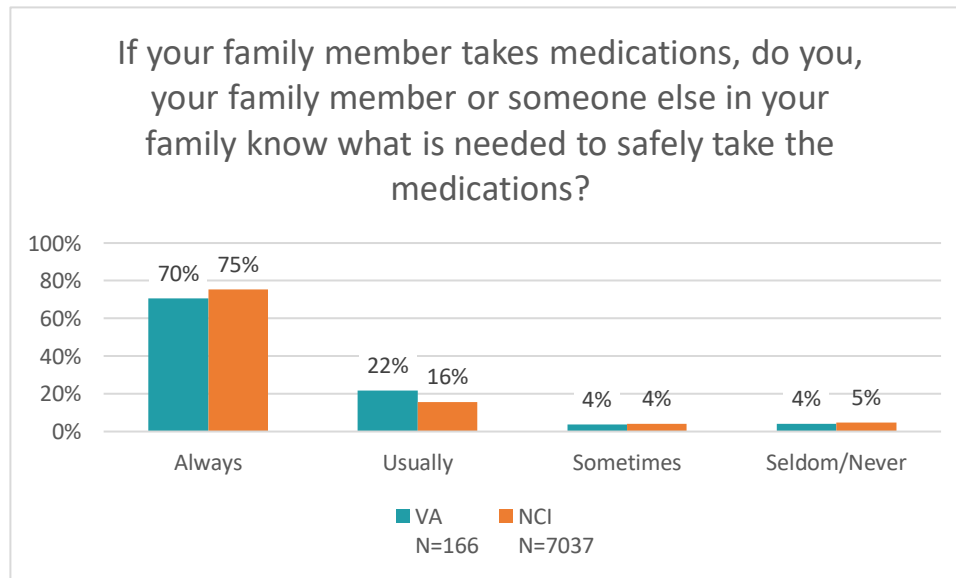


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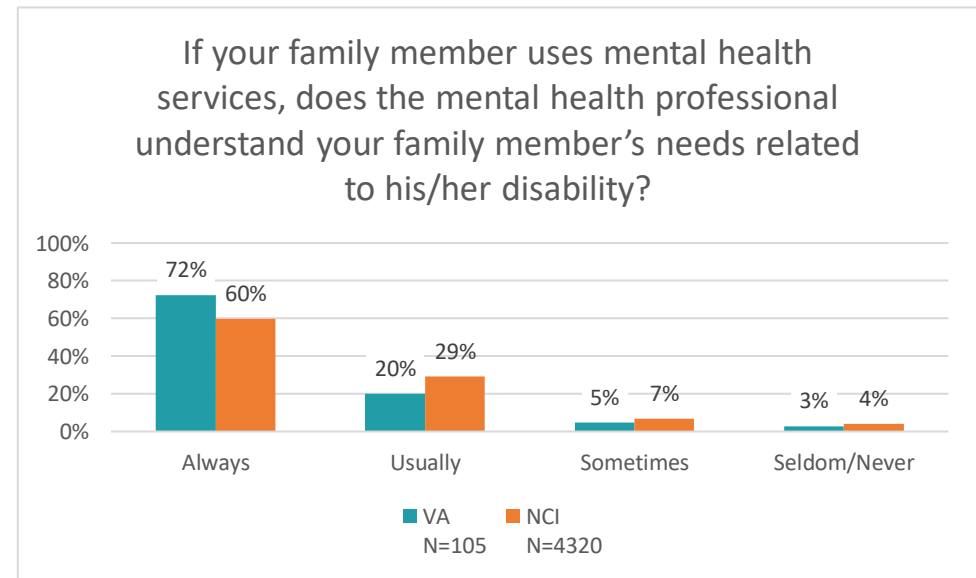


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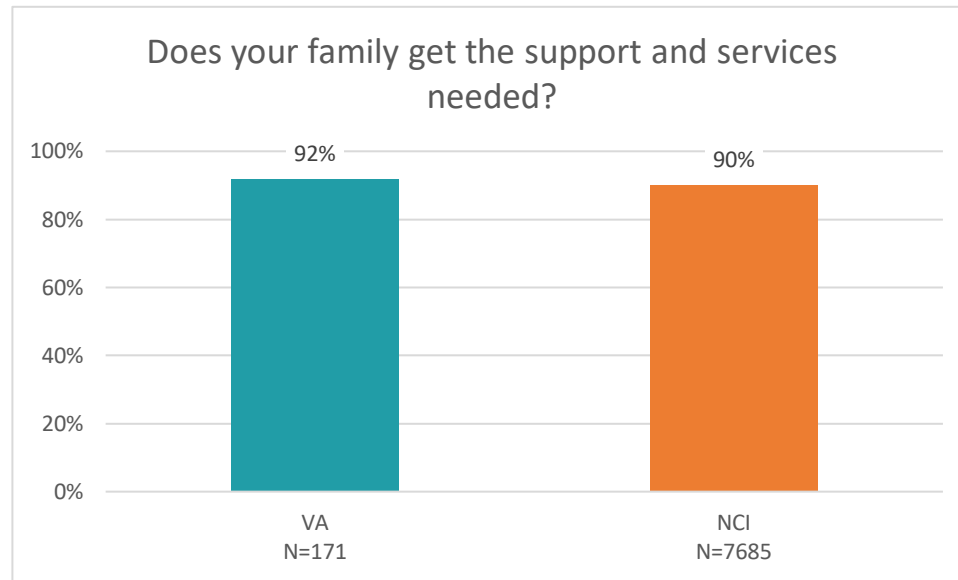
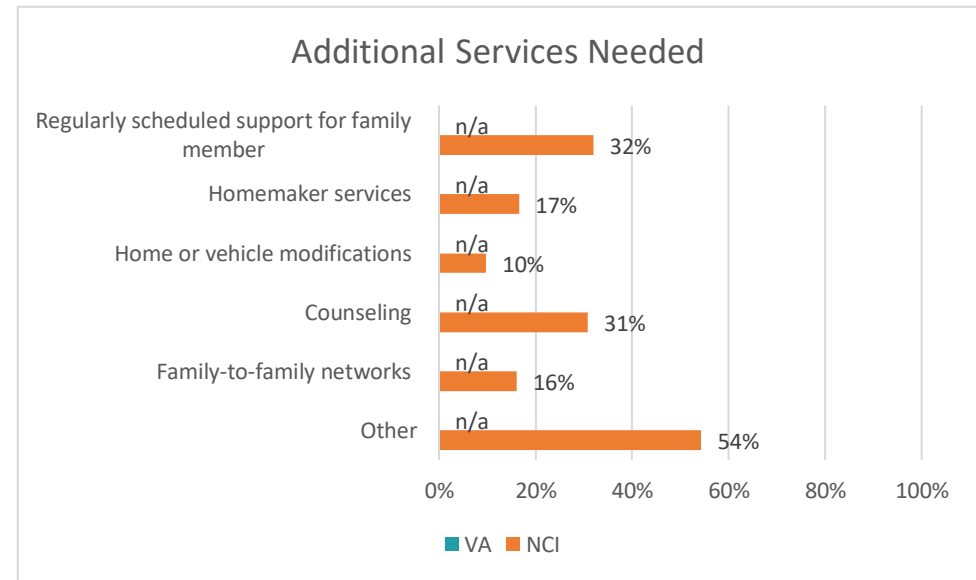


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Tables for Access and Delivery of Services and Supports

Table 25. Access and Delivery of Services and Supports—Always Responses

		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom/Never	N
Are you or your family member able to contact his/her support workers when you want to?	VA	67%	27%	4%	2%	181
	NCI	61%	30%	7%	3%	8,256
Are you or your family member able to contact his/her case manager/service coordinator when you want to?	VA	66%	30%	2%	2%	181
	NCI	60%	29%	7%	4%	8,359
Do support workers come and leave when they are supposed to?	VA	61%	33%	5%	0%	111
	NCI	61%	31%	5%	2%	5,502
Do services and supports change when your family's needs change?	VA	59%	34%	5%	2%	136
	NCI	50%	34%	10%	5%	5,385
Do support workers speak to you in a way that you understand?	VA	72%	28%	1%	0%	172
	NCI	72%	22%	3%	2%	7,776
Are services delivered in a way that is respectful of your family's culture?	VA	76%	23%	1%	1%	176
	NCI	78%	18%	2%	1%	7,876
If your family member does not communicate verbally, are there support workers who can communicate with him/her?	VA	61%	28%	9%	2%	64
	NCI	54%	30%	10%	6%	1,852
Do support workers have the right information and skills to meet your family's needs?	VA	52%	44%	4%	1%	170
	NCI	49%	39%	9%	2%	6,960
Does your family member have the special equipment or accommodations that s/he needs?	VA	63%	29%	6%	2%	132
	NCI	65%	25%	5%	5%	4,091

Table 26. Access and Delivery of Services and Supports—Always Responses (continued)

		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom/Never	N
Can your family member see health professionals when needed?	VA	74%	22%	3%	2%	185
	NCI	76%	20%	3%	1%	8,020
Does your family member's primary care doctor understand his/her needs related to his/her disability?	VA	75%	20%	5%	0%	166
	NCI	70%	24%	4%	1%	7,266
Do you have access to dental services for your family member?	VA	74%	9%	12%	6%	160
	NCI	74%	14%	5%	7%	7,364
If you have access to dental services for your family member, does your family member's dentist understand his/her needs related to his/her disability?	VA	75%	18%	5%	1%	146
	NCI	73%	19%	5%	3%	6,405
If your family member takes medications, do you know what they're for?	VA	75%	21%	2%	2%	175
	NCI	70%	18%	6%	5%	7,702
If your family member takes medications, do you, your family member or someone else in your family know what is needed to safely take the medications?	VA	70%	22%	4%	4%	166
	NCI	75%	16%	4%	5%	7,037
If your family member uses mental health services, does the mental health professional understand your family member's needs related to his/her disability?	VA ▲	72%	20%	5%	3%	105
	NCI	60%	29%	7%	4%	4,320

Table 27. Access and Delivery of Services and Supports—Yes Responses

		Yes	No	N
Does your family get the support and services needed?	VA	92%	8%	171
	NCI	90%	10%	7,685

Table 28. Additional Services Needed *

		Needs Service
Regularly scheduled support for family member	VA	n/a
	NCI	32%
Homemaker services	VA	n/a
	NCI	17%
Home or vehicle modifications	VA	n/a
	NCI	10%
Counseling	VA	n/a
	NCI	31%
Family-to-family networks	VA	n/a
	NCI	16%
Other	VA	n/a
	NCI	54%

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Choice, Decision Making and Control

Families and family members with disabilities determine the services and supports they receive and the individuals or agencies who provide them.

Charts for Choice, Decision Making and Control

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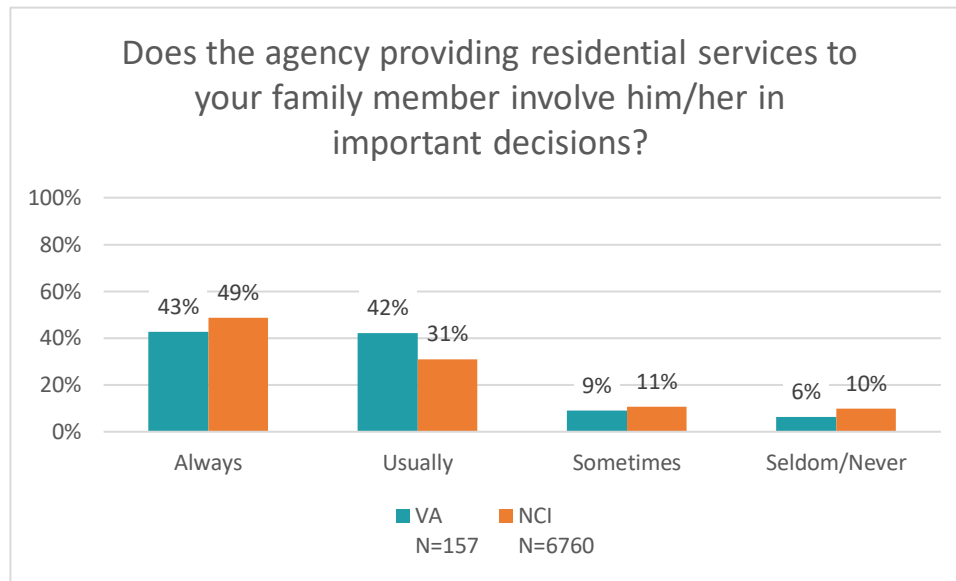


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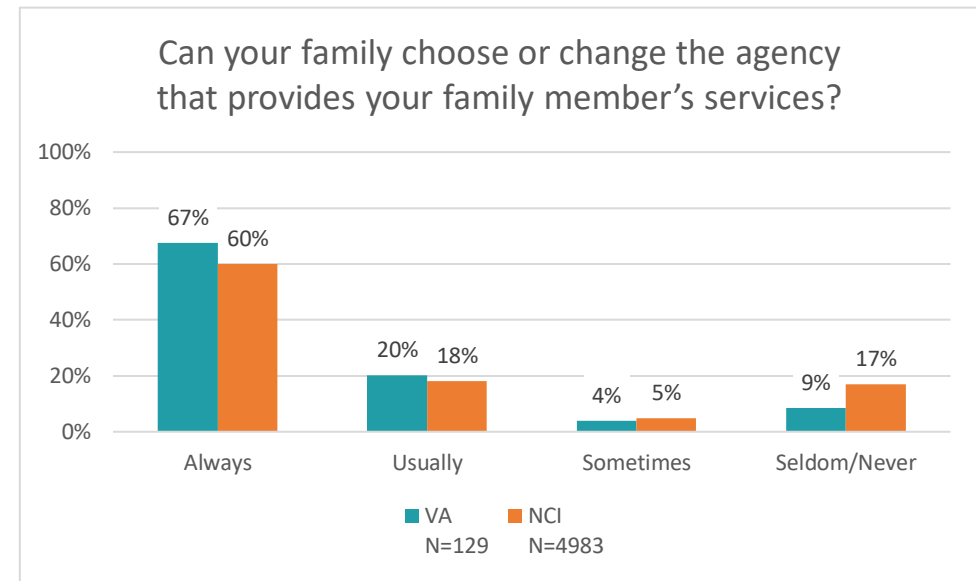


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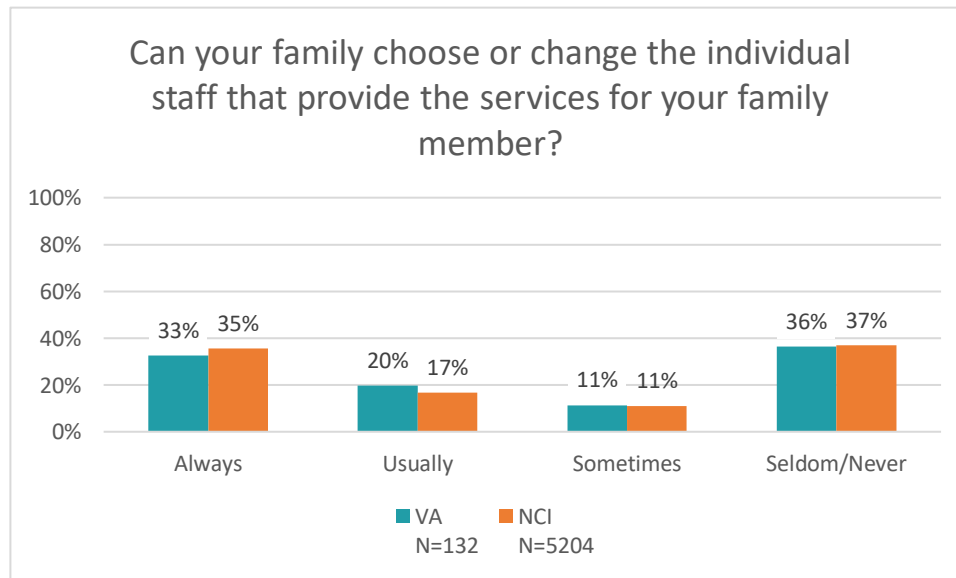


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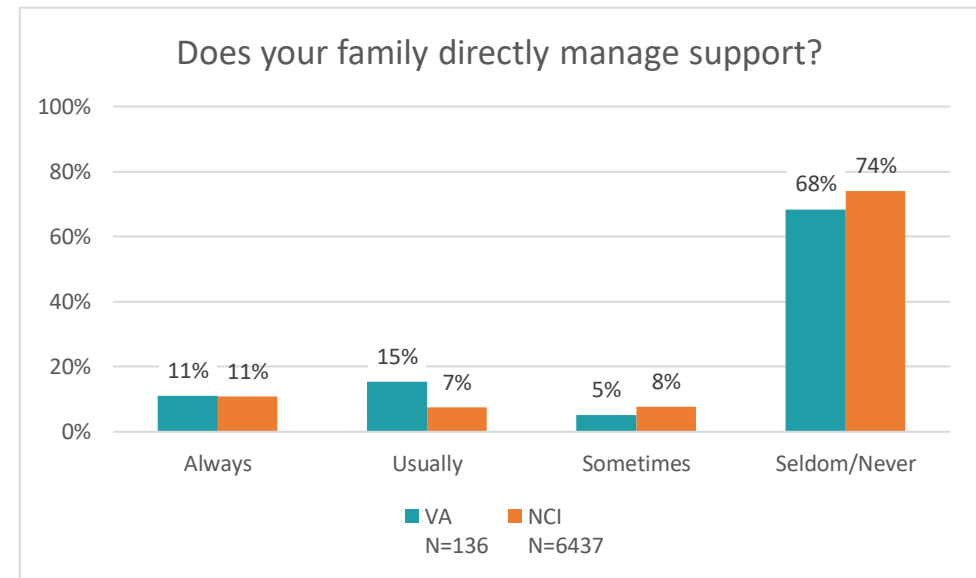


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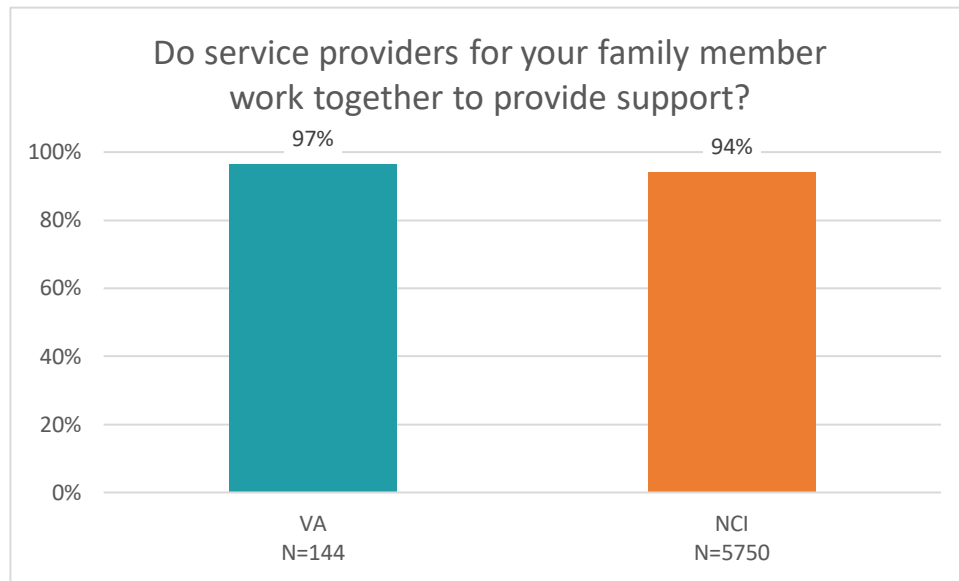
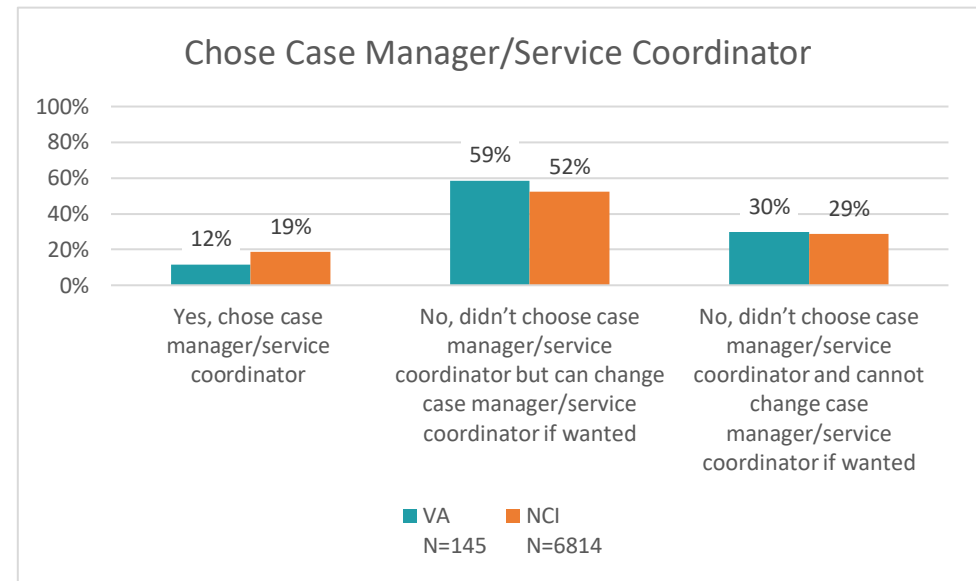


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Tables for Choice, Decision Making and Control

Table 29. Choice and Control —Always Responses

		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom/Never	N
Does the agency providing residential services to your family member involve him/her in important decisions?	VA	43%	42%	9%	6%	157
	NCI	49%	31%	11%	10%	6,760
Can your family choose or change the agency that provides your family member's services?	VA	67%	20%	4%	9%	129
	NCI	60%	18%	5%	17%	4,983
Can your family choose or change the individual staff that provide the services for your family member?	VA	33%	20%	11%	36%	132
	NCI	35%	17%	11%	37%	5,204
Does your family directly manage support?	VA	11%	15%	5%	68%	136
	NCI	11%	7%	8%	74%	6,437

Table 30. Choice and Control —Yes Responses

		Yes	No	N
Do service providers for your family member work together to provide support?	VA	97%	3%	144
	NCI	94%	6%	5,750

Table 31. Family member, or someone else in your family chose case manager/service coordinator

		Chose Case Manager/Service Coordinator
Yes, chose case manager/service coordinator	VA ▼	12%
	NCI	19%
No, didn't choose case manager/service coordinator but can change case manager/service coordinator if wanted	VA ▼	59%
	NCI	52%
No, didn't choose case manager/service coordinator and cannot change case manager/service coordinator if wanted	VA ▼	30%
	NCI	29%
N	VA ▼	145
	NCI	6,814

Involvement in the Community

Family members with disabilities use integrated community services and participate in everyday community activities.

Charts for Involvement in the Community

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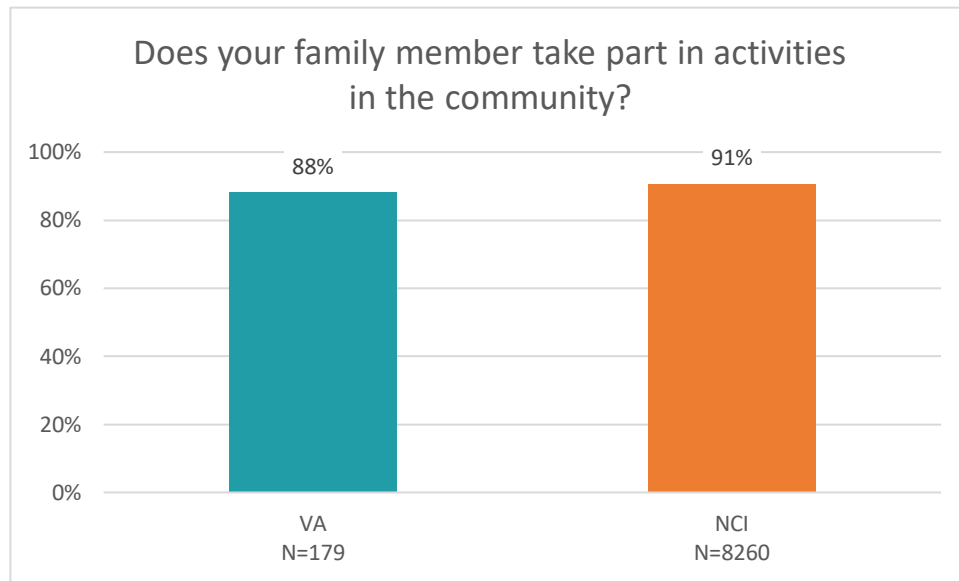


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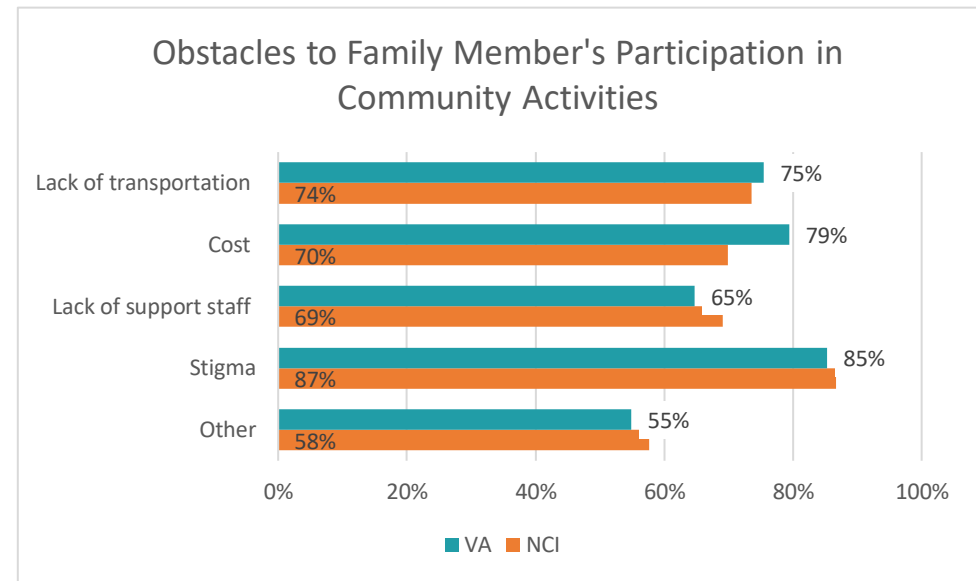


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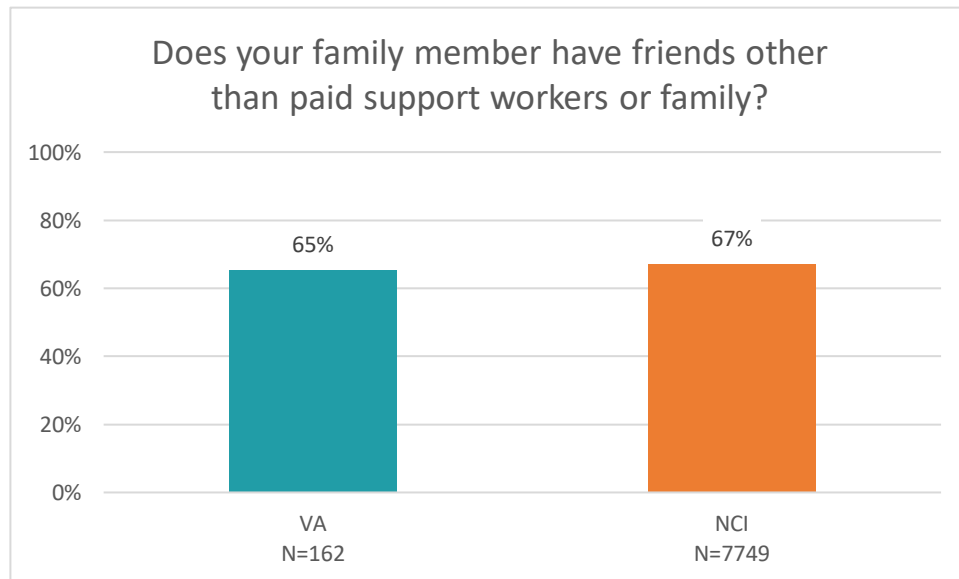
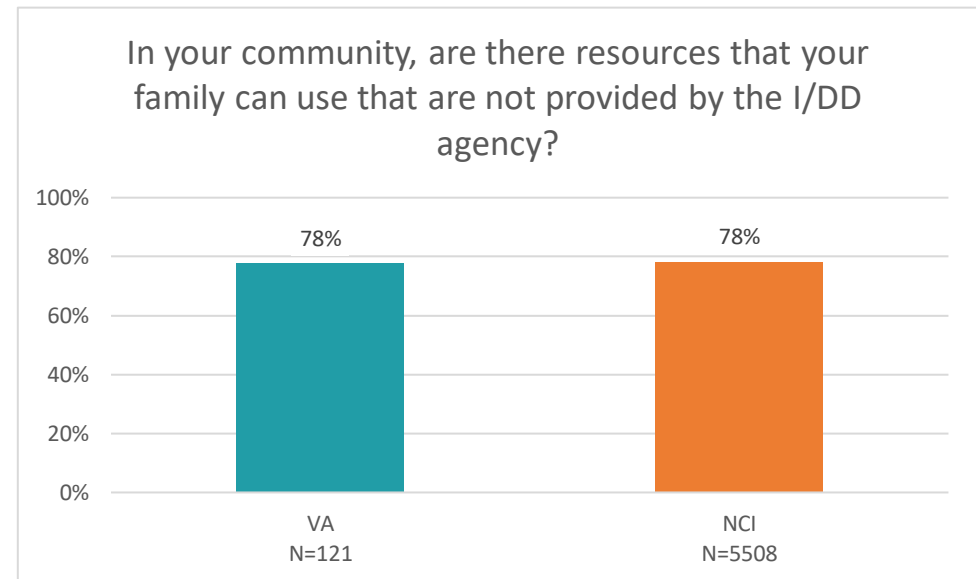
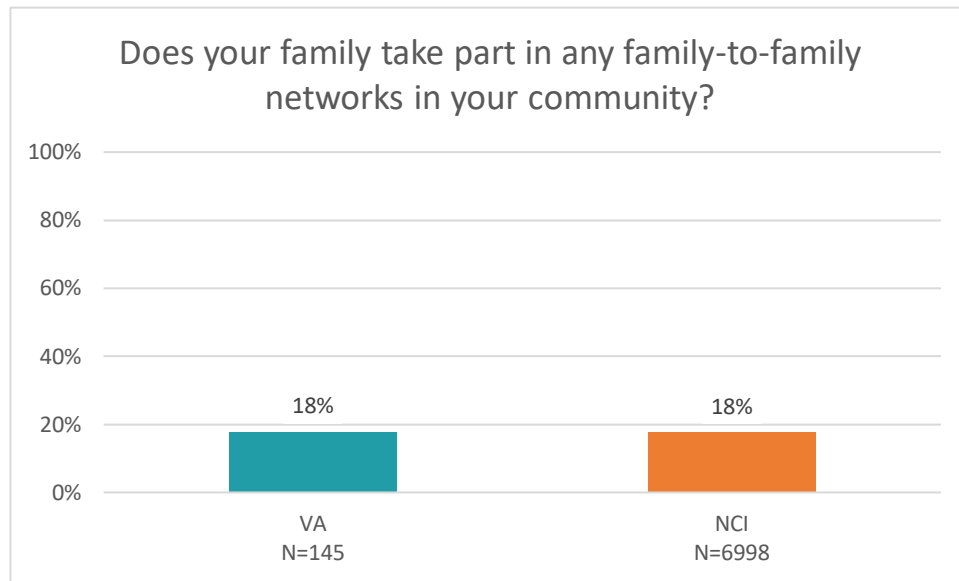


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[Chart 46.](#)



Tables for Involvement in the Community

Table 32. Involvement in the Community

		Yes	No	N
Does your family member take part in activities in the community?	VA	88%	12%	179
	NCI	91%	9%	8,260

Table 33. Obstacles to Family Member's Participation in Community Activities *

	Obstacles/Barriers	
Lack of transportation	VA	75%
	NCI	74%
Cost	VA	79%
	NCI	70%
Lack of support staff	VA	65%
	NCI	69%
Stigma	VA	85%
	NCI	87%
Other	VA	55%
	NCI	58%

Table 34. Involvement in the Community—Yes Responses

		Yes	No	N
Does your family member have friends other than paid support workers or family?	VA	65%	35%	162
	NCI	67%	33%	7,749
In your community, are there resources that your family can use that are not provided by the I/DD agency?	VA	78%	22%	121
	NCI	78%	22%	5,508
Does your family take part in any family-to-family networks in your community?	VA	18%	82%	145
	NCI	18%	82%	6,998

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Satisfaction With Services and Supports

Families and family members with disabilities receive adequate and satisfactory supports.

Charts for Satisfaction With Services and Supports

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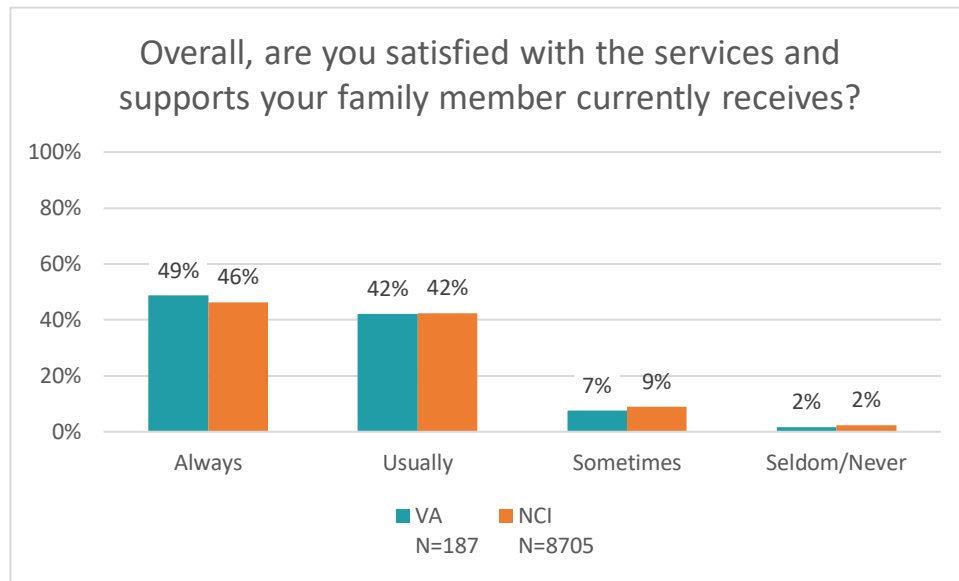


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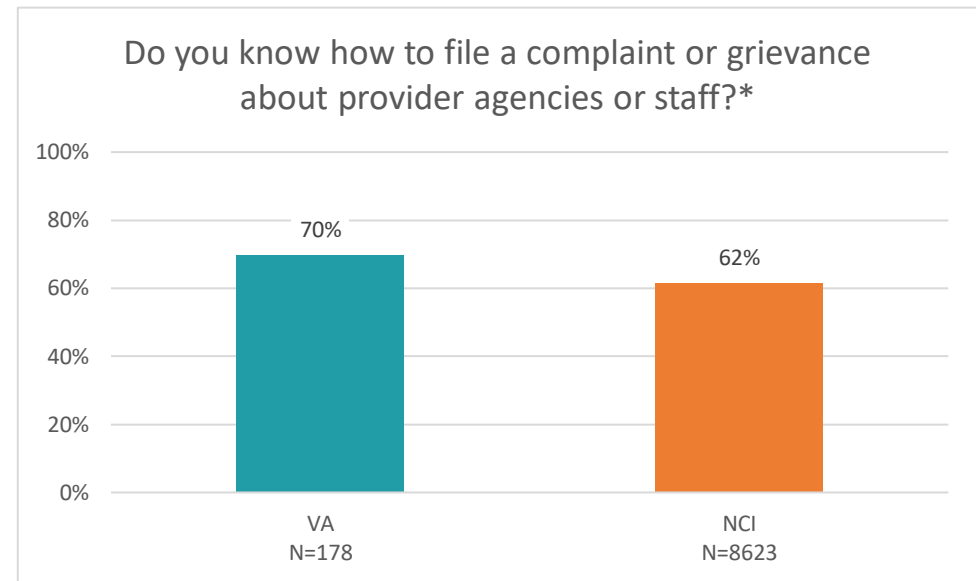


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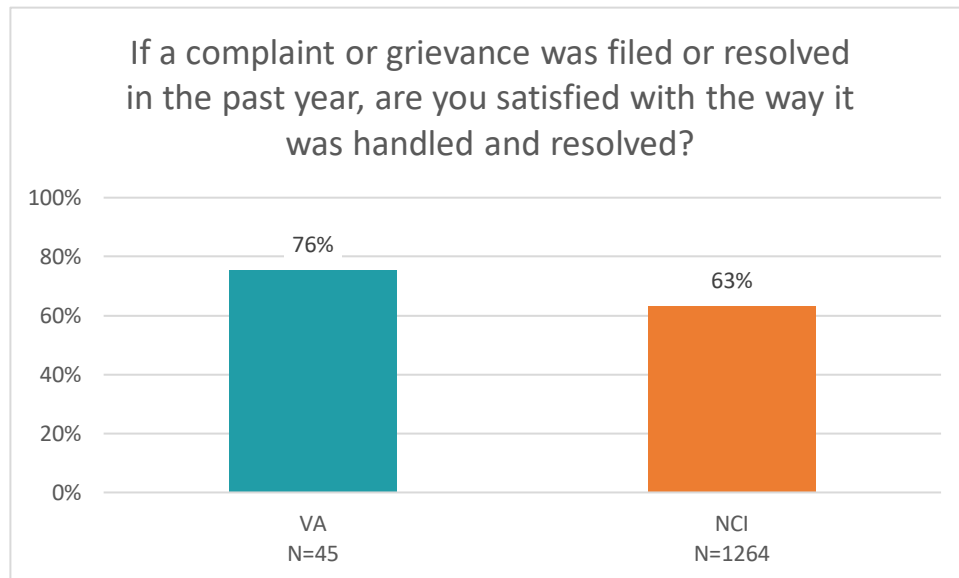
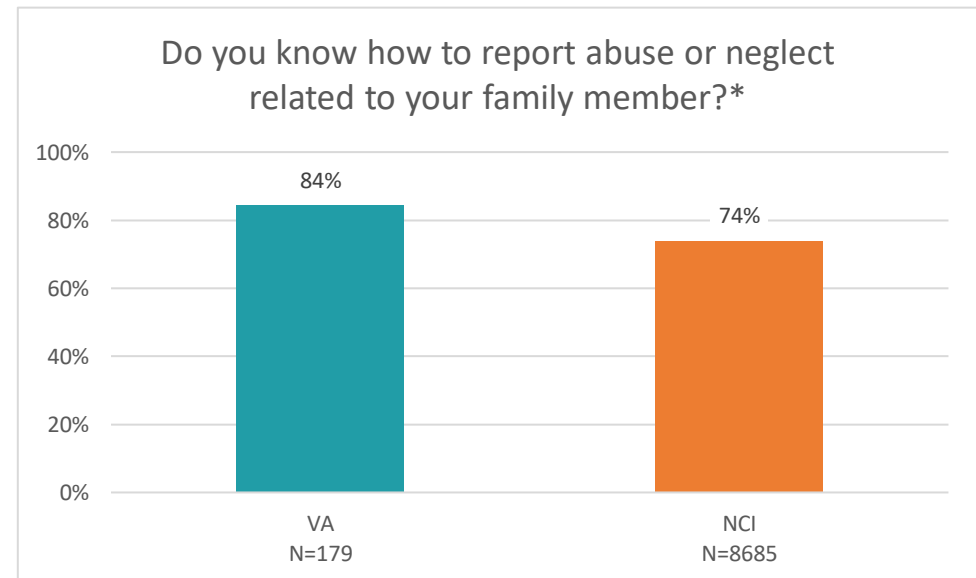
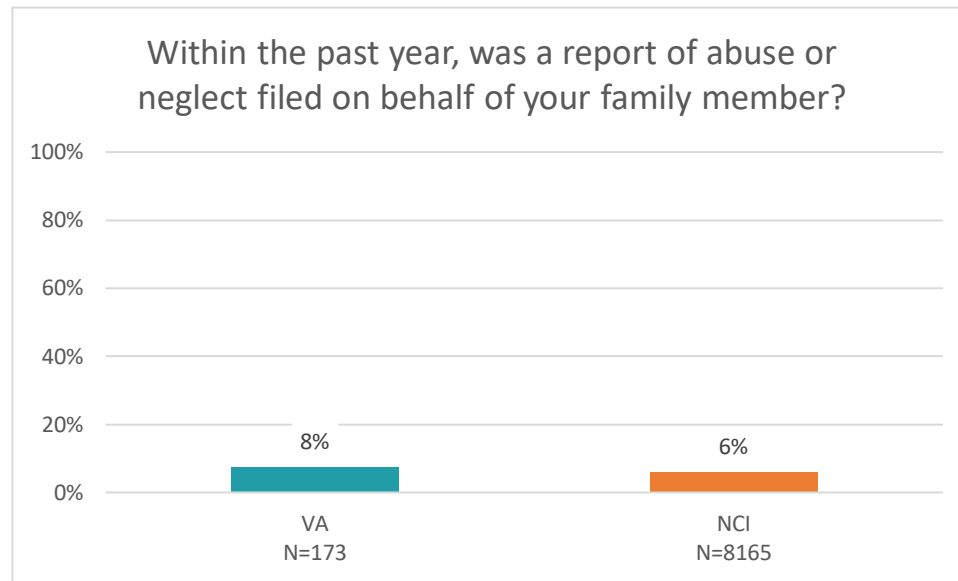


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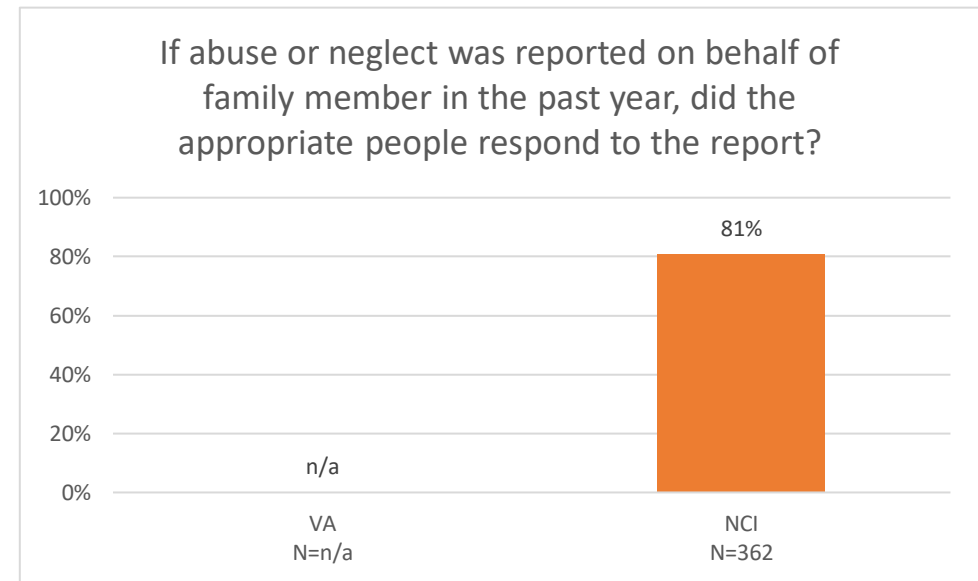


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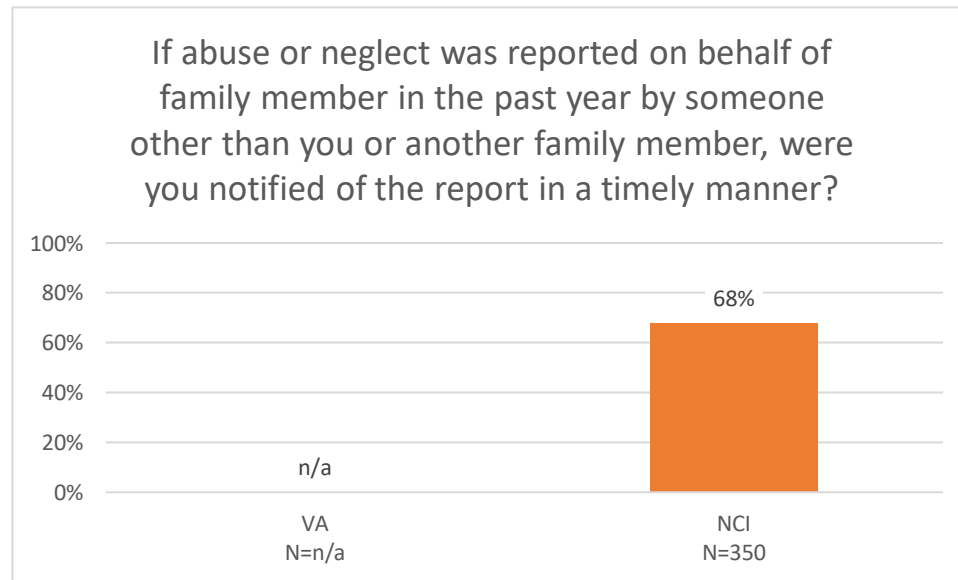
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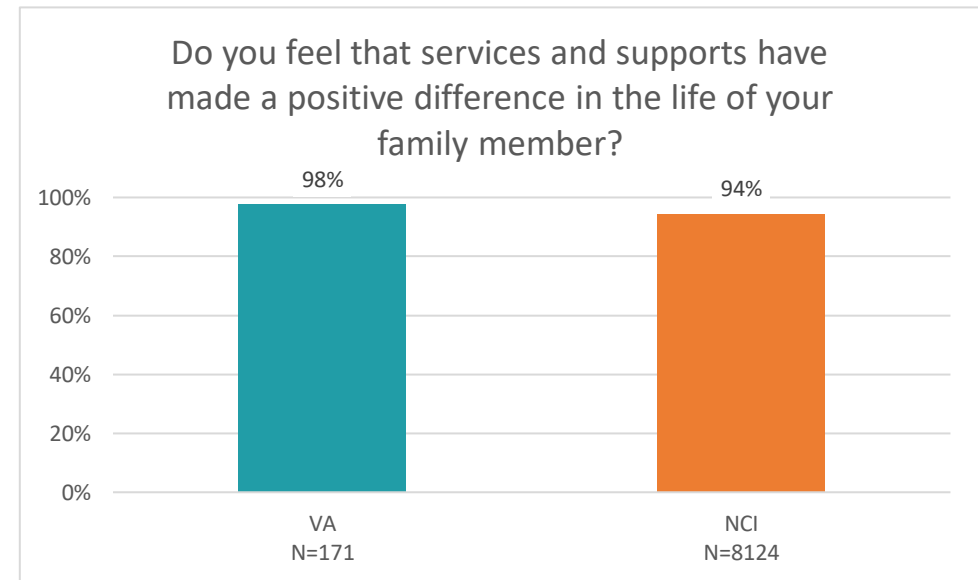
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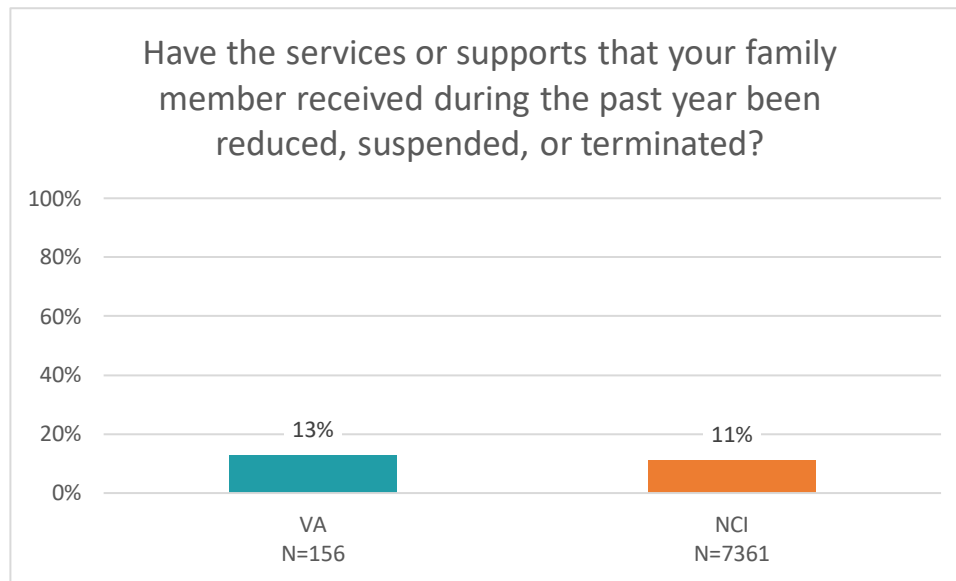
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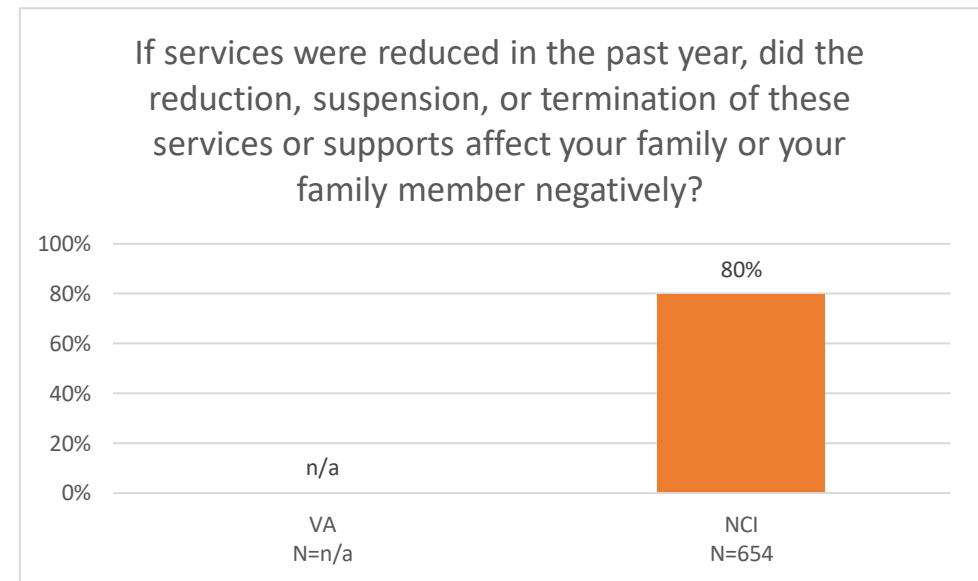
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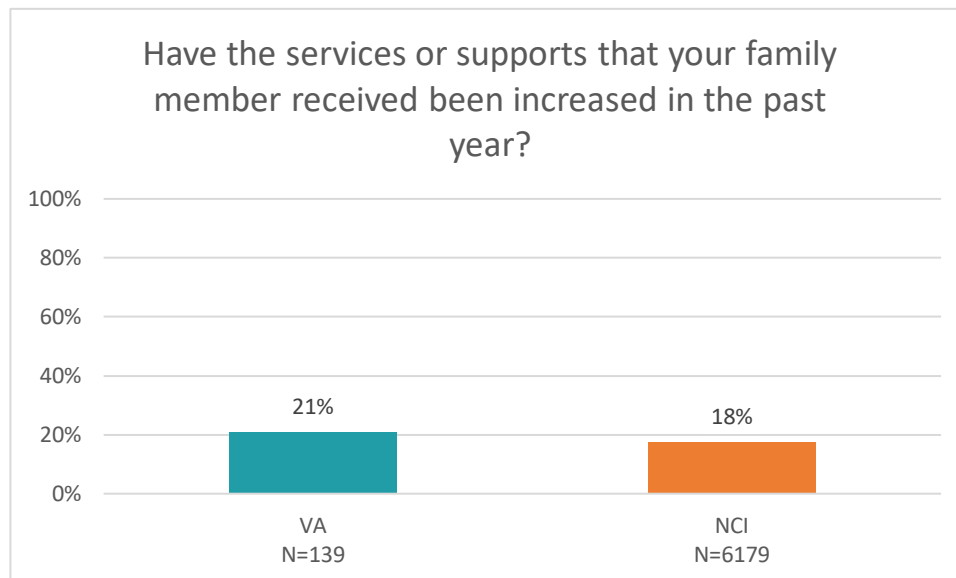
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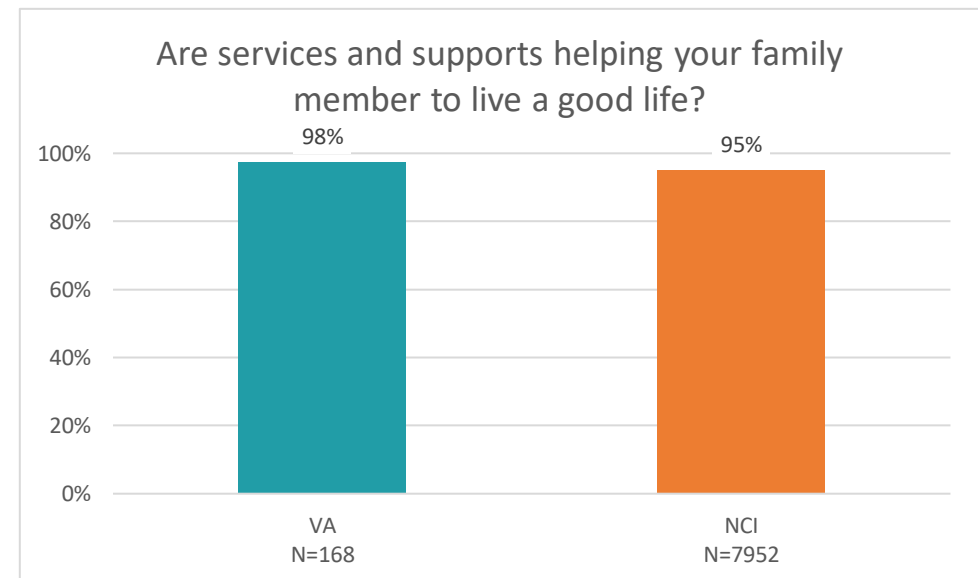
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Tables for Satisfaction With Services and Supports

Table 35. Satisfaction—Always Responses

		Always	Usually	Sometimes	Seldom/Never	N
Overall, are you satisfied with the services and supports your family member currently receives?	VA	49%	42%	7%	2%	187
	NCI	46%	42%	9%	2%	8,705

Table 36. Satisfaction—Yes Responses

		Yes	No	N
Do you know how to file a complaint or grievance about provider agencies or staff? *	VA	70%	30%	178
	NCI	62%	38%	8,623
If a complaint or grievance was filed or resolved in the past year, are you satisfied with the way it was handled and resolved?	VA	76%	24%	45
	NCI	63%	37%	1,264
Do you know how to report abuse or neglect related to your family member? *	VA ▲	84%	16%	179
	NCI	74%	26%	8,685
Within the past year, was a report of abuse or neglect filed on behalf of your family member?	VA	8%	92%	173
	NCI	6%	94%	8,165
<i>If a report of abuse or neglect was filed on behalf of family member in the past year...</i>				
Did the appropriate people respond to the report?	VA	n/a	n/a	n/a
	NCI	81%	19%	362
If someone other than you or another family member made the report, were you notified of the report in a timely manner?	VA	n/a	n/a	n/a
	NCI	68%	32%	350

*For this question, 'No' and 'Don't know' responses were combined.

Table 37. Satisfaction— Yes Responses (continued)

		Yes	No	N
Do you feel that services and supports have made a positive difference in the life of your family member?	VA▲	98%	2%	171
	NCI	94%	6%	8,124
Have the services or supports that your family member received during the past year been reduced, suspended, or terminated?	VA	13%	87%	156
	NCI	11%	89%	7,361
If services were reduced in the past year, did the reduction, suspension, or termination of these services or supports affect your family or your family member negatively?	VA	n/a	n/a	n/a
	NCI	80%	20%	654
Have the services or supports that your family member received been increased in the past year?	VA	21%	79%	139
	NCI	18%	82%	6,179
Are services and supports helping your family member to live a good life?	VA	98%	2%	168
	NCI	95%	5%	7,952