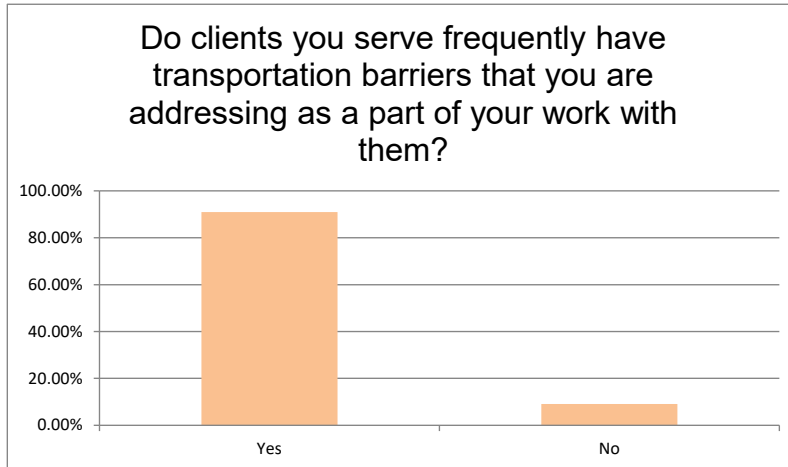


PCCN Transportation Survey

Do clients you serve frequently have transportation barriers that you are addressing as a part of your work with them?

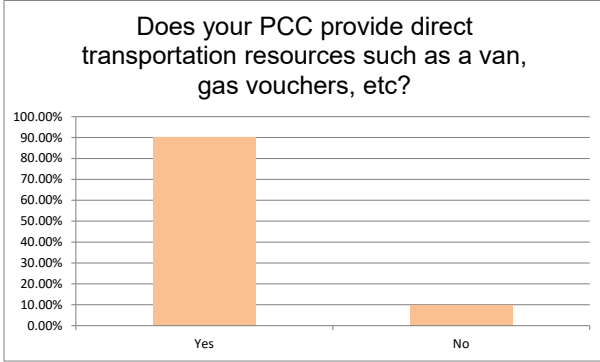
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	90.91%	10
No	9.09%	1
Answered		11
Skipped		0



PCCN Transportation Survey

Does your PCC provide direct transportation resources such as a van, gas vouchers, etc?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	90.00%	9
No	10.00%	1
Please explain if answered Yes:		11



Please explain if answered Yes:

Gas cards are provided

We give out gas vouchure

Lund provides transportation to appointments, childcare, ets within Chittenden county for families in our Residential program. We also provide situational financial assistance for transportation needs to any family in the county through our Family assistance fund- often these are gas cards or for car repairs.

We have been searching for a grant to cover the 60 k needed for a van.

We offer gas gas cards to families to support transportation needs.

We provide gas cards, especially to out of town/state medical appointments, home visitors can provide transportation to families when warranted (medical appt. big reason, accessing food another, getting to school meetings etc.), we purchase GMT bus passes when there is a charge to give to people, and currently paying for taxi service to get mom and child to our LTP since parents can not ride GMT when their child qualifies for transportation to attend an early education program.

gas cards/CBCAP

Van, gas cards, pay for car repairs

We have gas vouchers available for clients and community members to get to school and work. They often are asked to meet with our home visitor or other staff to access these if not already a client.

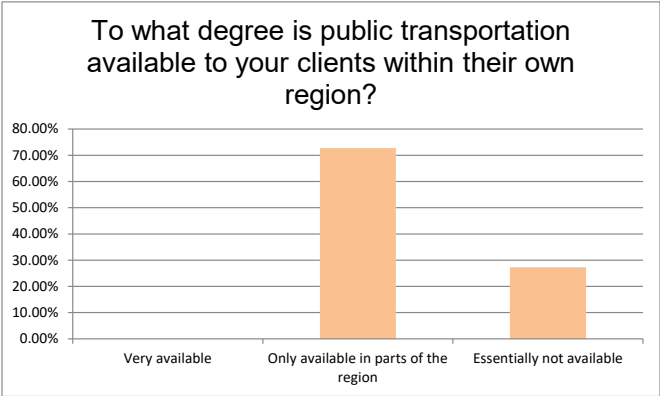
Van transportation paid by CDD for families eligible through DCF and others ride and we fundraise for that

We have used funds to help with gas vouchers

PCCN Transportation Survey

To what degree is public transportation available to your clients within their own region?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Very available	0.00%	0
Only available in parts of the region	72.73%	8
Essentially not available	27.27%	3
Comment:		9



Comment:

The community as a whole is working on this but there is no way it reach our most rural families.

Public transportation is more accessible to families living in the Burlington area of Chittenden county. We serve many families in the Chittenden East area of the county who don't have that same access. Transportation resources are sparse for rural areas of the county.

Very rigid and infrequent schedule.

Transportation is available in more populated areas. Transportation access is extremely limited in the rural areas, with public transportation hours at inconvenient times (i.e pick up at 5am, drop off at 7pm). This makes it a less viable option for families who are attempting to utilize the transportation for work or child care where there are specific start/end times.

And only available on main routes, and during the day time hours.

Many towns not covered by AT, Hartland, Woodstock, Bridgewater, Stafford.. some of our towns have a limited bus route. Others do not have any public transit.

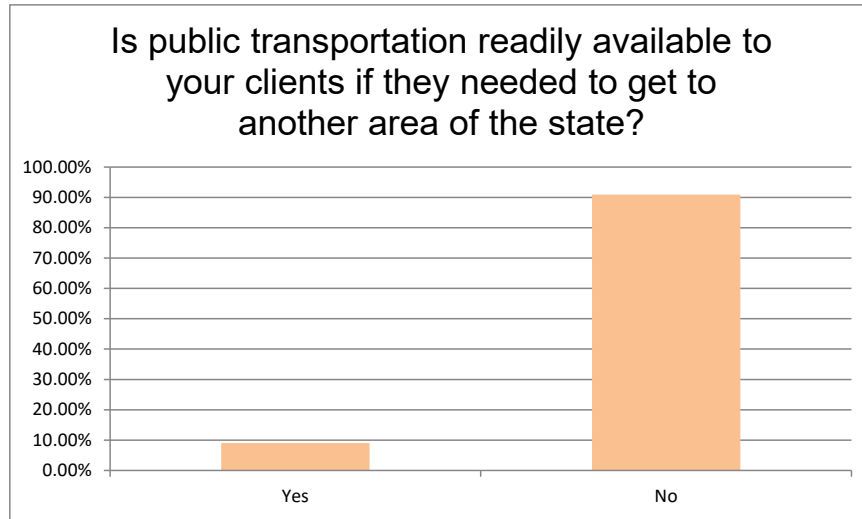
It is not door to door service, which is what is needed for families with young children - also medicaid rides are appointment specific so you cannot bring your child unless appointment is for them

Not available at all

PCCN Transportation Survey

Is public transportation readily available to your clients if they needed to get to another area of the state?

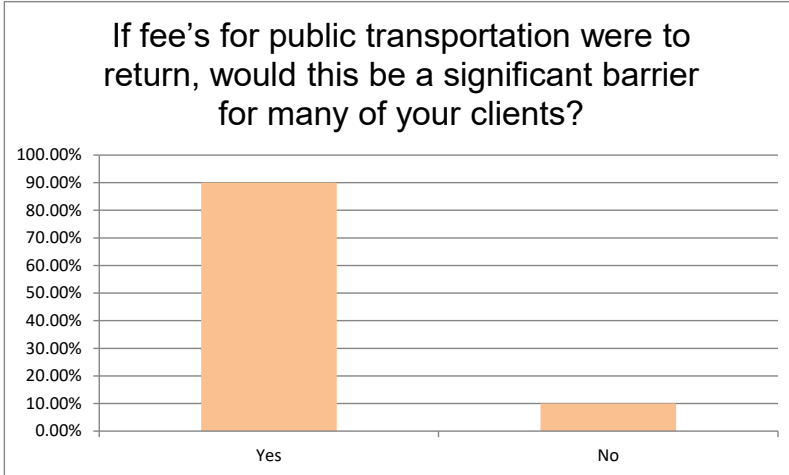
Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	9.09%	1
No	90.91%	10



PCCN Transportation Survey

If fee's for public transportation were to return, would this be a significant barrier for many of your clients?

Answer Choices	Responses	
Yes	90.00%	9
No	10.00%	1



PCCN Transportation Survey

Feel free to share a short synopsis of any other transportation barriers you often encounter in your work with clients:

A lot of families we work with do not have a car of their own so they must rely on buses, walking or rides from friends/family. This makes their travel options very limited and a lot of them say they prefer to walk because the bus options are so limited and often not on schedule. Transportation always becomes more difficult in the winter, especially for those traveling with infants/small children. There are many barriers when families need to travel to other areas of the state as well, with busses only going 1-2 times a day and not to all areas of the state. For those living in areas of the county where public transportation is more accessible, if income eligible families are still able to access free bus passes (through ESD/Reach up), the impact of returning to fares could be lessened. However, it can also be very difficult to actually access the passes, so that is a concern. In addition, lost or stolen bus passes can be hard to replace, and for families who are already struggling to meet basic needs, this is an extra layer of responsibility that can present a challenge.

The transportation system we do have is rigid about making any extra stops and will only drop off caregivers with small children down the road instead of at the center, making it dangerous to utilize since drop off is on a busy road. We continue to complain and try to negotiate. Our local taxi company who we could utilize for our Learning Together participants is no longer in service as of eight months ago. We have possible Learning Together participants in the region who cannot attend the center based program because of lack of transportation.

Themes we are seeing regarding transportation barriers: 1. Can't get to therapy appointments such as Kids Rehab Gym for OT services 2. Medicaid rides for medical appointments is very challenging to set up so appointments get missed 3. When children transition to school based services, families can't get the child to the school for services 4. Families can't get the child to childcare or playgroups to work on social goals 5. Money for gas is a concern for families who do have transportation but also have a child with complex medical need who is needing to get to appointments that may be an hour or more away.

Some folks have their own vehicles that are not safe or registered or they are without a license or lack insurance. If you have access to a car, you do not qualify for GMT medicab rides. Families aren't always able to plan ahead for the required 24 hour notices to receive transportation. If you live far from the bus route, you cannot get a ride into town for appointments, etc. If you have a job that starts at 7am, there is no public transportation to get you even close. If you have a late in the day appointment, you may have transportation there but not to return home. Our streets are no "bicycle friendly" for those wishing to use a bike, especially if you have a child seat attached.

It would be great to consider more bus top shelters, mostly ideal during the cold months to avoid for families with young children/babies to be exposed to poor weather. To reach the bus stop, some families have to walk on busy roads with no sidewalk. Most of the time those families choose not to use public transportation.

Car maintenance is an ongoing barrier. The schedule of the bus in our town limits what they are able to use it for.

I wrote yes even though most do not use it - because if they do, it needs to be free.....

