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# Academic Affairs Town Hall-

11/15/2021

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# Agenda

- President's Program Health Update
- COVID Information Update
- NWCCU Accreditation Update
- EAB Navigate Update
- Budget Update
- Questions

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# Program Health - Where We Are

- To date, we have focused on taking stock of our current programs, highlighting our strengths, and identifying areas for improvement.
- The overarching goal of program health is for the university to reach our full potential while ensuring that we are meeting the needs of our students, our community and our region as efficiently as possible by creating a healthy program catalog that supports student achievement and community/workforce needs.

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# Program Health - What's Next?

- Program health is not a budget reduction exercise. It is a mission fulfillment / mission alignment exercise that may have budget implications
- This information will not be used to guide decision making on program closures. The lessons from this first effort will inform what we need to do next.
- The program health process will be aligned with our strategic plan and budget model that are still in the development process.

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# COVID Update

- Campus health update
  - COVID trends and models
- COVID Fatigue
- Mental health concerns- Rick Pongratz
- What's next?

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# Impact of COVID on Mental Health – Nationally

- Depression & Anxiety – from 11% up to 41% (KFF)
- Substance abuse – 13% reported significant increase (KFF)
- Suicide (SPRC)
  - Ideation – Increased (much more for young people and BIPOC)
  - Deaths – Fewer suicides during COVID

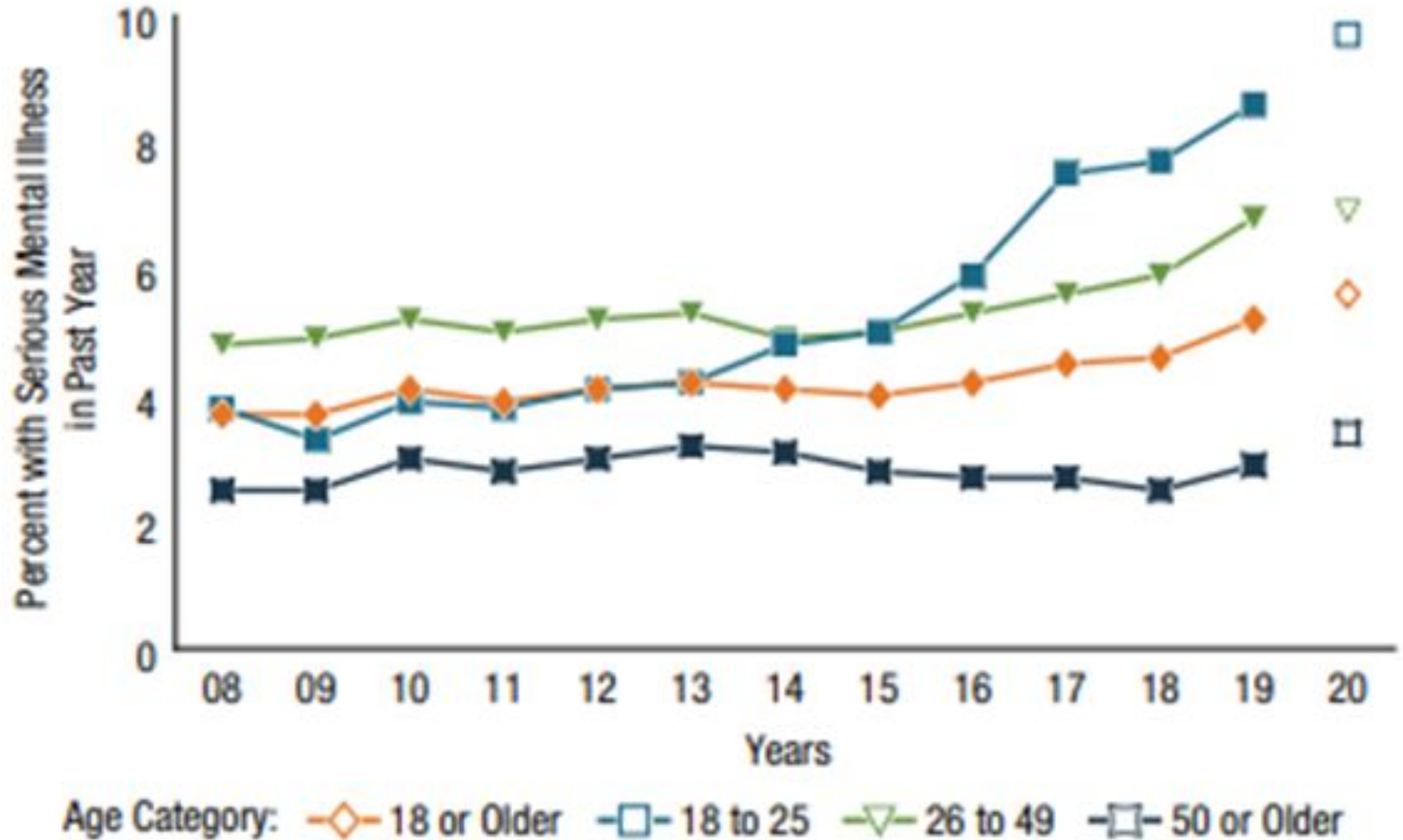
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### Figure 32. Serious Mental Illness in the Past Year: Among Adults Aged 18 or Older; 2008-2020





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# Students Seeking Counseling

Area of Impact	Percent
Mental health	72%
Motivation or focus	68%
Loneliness or isolation	67%
Academics	66%
Missed experiences or opportunities	60%
Career/employment	44%
Relationships (significant other, family, friends)	43%
Financial	35%
Health concerns (other)	30%
Health concerns (self)	26%
Grief/loss of someone	9%
Food or housing insecurity	9%
Discrimination/harassment	3%
Other (please specify)	1%

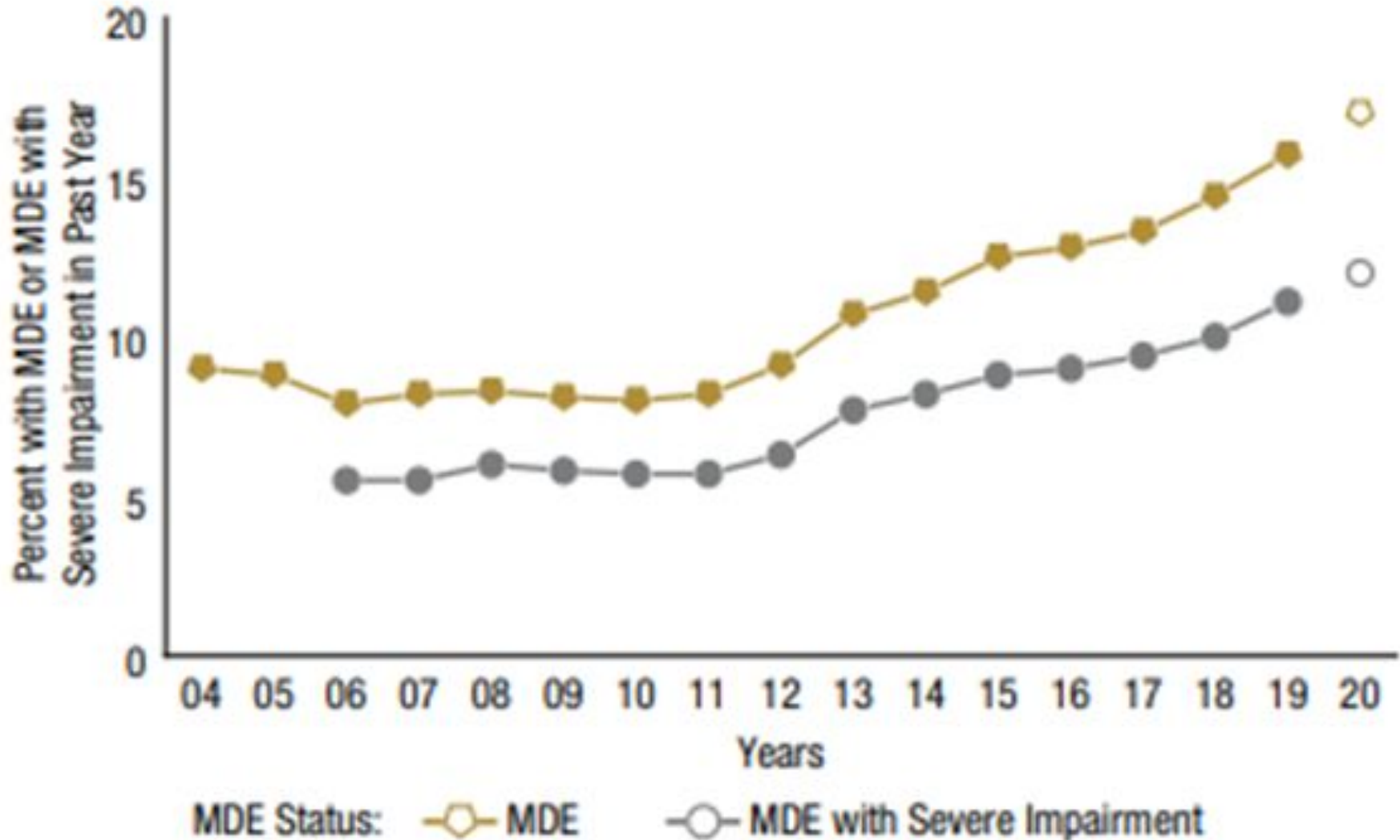
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**Figure 30. Major Depressive Episode (MDE) and MDE with Severe Impairment in the Past Year: Among Youths Aged 12 to 17; 2004-2020**





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# How to help

- Connect and relate
- Prevention
- RESPOND and Talk Saves Lives
- Referrals
  - Pocatello - 208.282.2130
  - Idaho Falls - 208-282.7750
  - Meridian
    - MCC - 208.373.1719
    - Cliff/Soni - 208.373.1921 - or call Poky Office

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# Accreditation

- Year 7 Complete (<https://isu.edu/accreditation>)
  - [Year 6 & 7 Report](#)
  - [Year 7 Peer Evaluation](#)
- Next steps:
  - NWCCU staff and commissioners review the peer ISU will receive the official report in January 2022.
  - ISU is required to explain in a mid-cycle ad hoc report how it's resolving the Year 7 recommendations.

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# Accreditation

- Commendations:
  1. The evaluation team commends the work of the current administration to effectively and transparently communicate information to all campus constituents.
  2. The evaluation team commends the work of the institution to foster an inviting, inclusive, and student-centric culture in which members of the campus community feel valued, seen, and heard.

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# Accreditation

- Recommendations:
  1. The evaluation team recommends that the institution consistently disaggregates all of its indicators for student achievement by every category listed in Standard 1.D.2
  2. The evaluation team recommends that as the institution transitions to a more aspirational strategic plan, it articulates one clear set of meaningful goals, objectives, and indicators to define mission fulfillment.

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# EAB Navigate Update

- Pilot Phase Fall 2021
- Important Pilot data points
- Preparations for Phase II Spring 2022
- Keys to success
- Moments of meaningful student connection
- For more information:
  - [isu.edu/Navigate](https://isu.edu/Navigate)
  - [navigate@isu.edu](mailto:navigate@isu.edu)

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# Budget Update

- Ended FY2021 favorably due to COVID institutional funds
- FY2022 budget uses \$5.31M in HEERF institutional funds to balance
- Continued declines in undergraduate enrollment - tracking ~3% down in general tuition & fee revenue
- Initial FY2022 forecast at end of November - will set the stage for FY2023 budget planning
- New management financial reporting tools
- Budget Model Advisory Group
  - incremental recommendations for FY2023
  - comprehensive recommendations next fall

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# Questions

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