

JUST THE FACTS

PRE-TREATMENT – THE COSTS

- **\$328 BILLION LOSS** – THE ECONOMIC COST TO THE U.S. ECONOMY FOR UNTREATED ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE IS \$328 BILLION.
- **6%** – WE SPEND LESS THAN 6% OF THE COST OF UNTREATED ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE TO TREAT THE PROBLEM.
- **1 IN 4** – 1 IN 4 FAMILIES ARE EFFECTED BY ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PROBLEMS.
- **(2/3)** – TWO THIRDS OF PEOPLE NEEDING DRUG ABUSE TREATMENT DO NOT RECEIVE IT. THE LARGEST UNMET TREATMENT NEED IS AMONG OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.
- **1 IN 5 MEDICAID DOLLARS** – MEDICAID SPENDS 1 OF EVERY 5 DOLLARS ON HOSPITAL CARE FOR UNTREATED ALCOHOL AND DRUG ABUSE PROBLEMS.

POST TREATMENT – THE SAVINGS

- **55% REDUCTION IN ABSENTEEISM** – AFTER RECEIVING ALCOHOL & DRUG TREATMENT, THERE IS A 55% REDUCTION IN ABSENTEEISM IN THE WORKPLACE.
- **7 TO 1 SAVINGS** – EVERY DOLLAR INVESTED IN ALCOHOL AND DRUG TREATMENT SAVES \$7.00 IN SOCIETAL AND MEDICAL COSTS. (California)
- **50% COST SAVINGS** – MEDICAID EXPENSES CUT IN HALF AMONG PEOPLE WHO RECEIVE ALCOHOL AND DRUG TREATMENT. (Washington)
- **73% DECREASE** – ARREST RATES DECREASE 73% AFTER ALCOHOL AND DRUG TREATMENT. (DARP)