# EARLY PERIODIC, SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC AND TREATMENT – HEALTH TRACKS (EPSDT)

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#### HB 1012 – EPSDT STUDY

• EARLY AND PERIODIC SCREENING, DIAGNOSTIC, AND TREATMENT PROGRAM. During the 2021-22 interim, the department of human services shall conduct a study of the early and periodic screening, diagnostic, and treatment program and prepare a report. The department of human services may contract with a consultant to assist in the study and the preparation of the report. The report shall include data on the number, ages, and geographic locations of children receiving screening, diagnostic, and treatment services; the capacity of the program to ensure all children who require screening, diagnostic, and treatment services are identified and receive services; data on the disposition of referrals of children who are screened and eligible for diagnostic and treatment services, including how many receive services and how many do not receive those services by county; an assessment of the program's efforts to provide comprehensive screening and treatment for children as required by federal law; an assessment of the deficits of the program's efforts to provide comprehensive screening and treatment as required by federal law; recommendations to ensure or expand services so that all eligible children are adequately served by the program; and additional data needed to assess the program accountability and efficiency. Before October 1, 2022, the department of human services shall provide the report to the legislative management.



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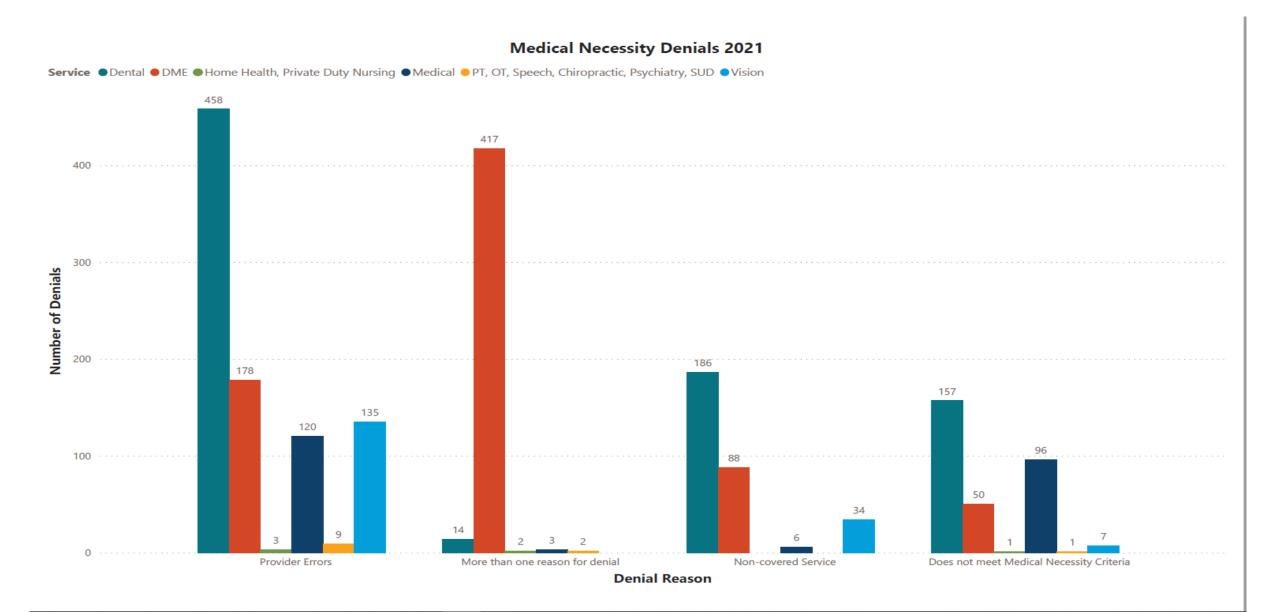
- Department contracted with Helgerson Solutions Group, LLC (HSG).
- Kick off was held Monday, October 4<sup>th</sup>.
- The study will be submitted to legislative management in the summer of 2022.



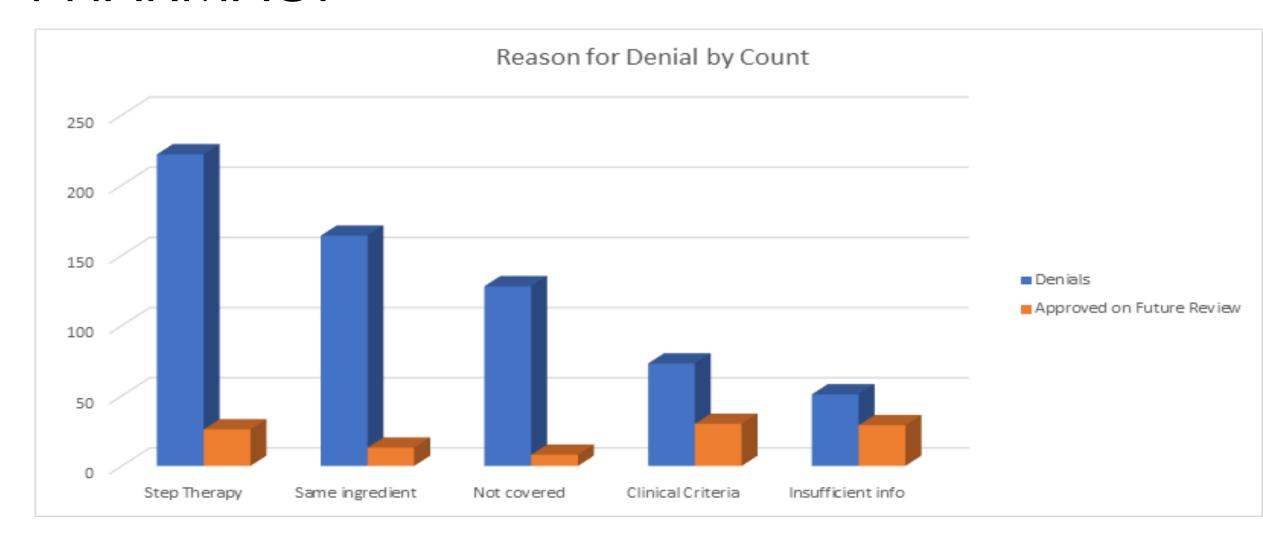
#### CHILDREN REFERRED BUT WHO DID NOT SEEK TREATMENT:

- Parents/guardians make the final determination to seek treatment
- Examples:
  - Time off work
  - Lack of understanding of issue being referred for
  - Parents don't wish to be referred at the time
  - Lack of availability of providers, example Pediatric Neurologist Fargo and Grand Forks
- The Department hopes to gain further insight into this from the EPSDT study.

## SERVICE AUTHORIZATION DATA



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