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Subject: Likelihood of COMMIT Parole participants completing parole

QUESTION:

For those offenders who are afforded the opportunity to participate in COMMIT Parole, are they more likely to complete orders of parole than those offenders who are not on COMMIT Parole?

ANSWER:

The following information comes from an analysis of 108 individuals who began a COMMIT parole supervision order between October 2017 to October 2019. The 108 COMMIT parolees were statistically matched on criminal history and demographic traits with 108 individuals who began a parole order during this same timeframe, but did not participate in COMMIT parole. This ensured the COMMIT and non-COMMIT groups had comparable risk profiles at commencement of their parole order, however it is possible that the two groups differ in other ways. The results revealed that:

- Approximately 44% of COMMIT participants, compared with 39% of non-COMMIT participants, will have their parole revoked within one year of starting their parole order.