Mental Health Services Act
Steering Committee Meeting
Monday, August 7, 2017
1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Delhi Community Center
505 E. Central Ave.
Santa Ana, 92707

MINUTES

Item I  Call to Order/Welcome
  • At 1:07 p.m. by Luis Martinez.

Item II  MHSA Financial Update
  Mike Geiss, Financial Consultant
  • Mike Geiss provided MHSA Financial Update, presenting background information on MHSA, tax revenue generated, cash transfers, projections on statewide and county revenue estimates, reversion, prudent reserve/unspent funds, fiscal transparency tool and other community mental funding.

Item III  MHSA Orange County Financial Update
  Jeff Nagel, BHS Director of Operations
  • Dr. Nagel presented on Orange County’s MHSA funding, going over change in estimated funding projections and using a visual depiction of how unspent funds and new revenue are allocated and spent during a five-year funding cycle.

Item IV  MHSA Annual Plan Amendment Proposals
  Mary Hale, Director of BHS
  • Mary Hale went over three proposed MHSA Plan amendments: Peer Mentoring Expansion: Clinic-Based Track, Correctional Health Services Jail to Community Re-Entry Program, and MHSA Housing. The committee will vote today and if passed, there will be a 30-day public commenting period followed by a public hearing.

Item V  Action Item: Approve MHSA Plan Amendments
  • At 2:57 p.m., the Steering Committee voted to approve the MHSA Plan Amendments

Item VI  Updates
  State/Local Update: Mary Hale, Director of BHS
Mary Hale provided update on Co-Located Services, mentioning the Fairview Regional Center location as a possible site, but shared that the Board of Supervisors have not taken any actions.

MHSA dollars will only fund the mental health side of the Co-Located Services and BHS will begin taking steps to transfer dollars from CSS to Capital Facilities in anticipation of a possible purchase.

Mary Hale also talked about the regulations on MHSA funds reversion and mentioned that $12 million of PEI funds that are at risk of reversion will be planned for expenditures as part of future annual plan updates.

**MHSA Update: Sharon Ishikawa, MHSA Coordinator**

- Dr. Ishikawa shared that the MHSA 3-Year Plan has been completed, approved and sent to the State. Work has begun on the Annual Plan Update. In September, there will be an Innovations subcommittee meetings; email will be sent out when date/time/location has been determined.
- Dr. Ishikawa also provided an update on the UCSD needs and gaps study. In May UCSD submitted their initial evaluation plan and in June, feedback was sent upon review. In July, UCSD sent back an updated plan and currently, the logistics of extracting and providing the requested data is being worked on. March of 2018 is the expected time for the first report.
- For *No Place Like Home (NPLH)*, the County has received non-competitive funds. An updated housing plan for NPLH is needed, and Dr. Ishikawa asked for volunteers for providing input. There will also be a sub-committee created.
- RFP for Transportation (MHSA Program) is online now and open for applying.
- A new round of MHSA Steering Committee member profile survey will be conducted. Steering Committee Co-Chairs will also help develop a new Community Input Form.
- Starting in 2018, the Steering Committee will meet on the **third** Monday of every month.

**Community Action Advisory Committee (CAAC) Update: Joy Torres, CAAC President**

- Joy Torres provided the following CAAC updates: On July 31, 2017 CAAC toured STEPS FSP and a new CAAC Executive Board was elected in June with Joy Torres as the President, Julian Rodriguez as the Vice President and Dolores Almaraz as the Secretary.
- A public comment was made, stating that Mike Geiss, the Financial Consultant’s numbers sound right compared to the numbers from the County Auditor Controller and encouraged the Steering Committee members to look closely at the starting funds amount and possibly assign a task force to look into it.
- A public comment was made requesting more factual information, citing the RFP process and other variables delaying the start of programs and encouraged the Steering Committee to help make more of an impact on these matters.

3:38 p.m.  Adjourned