# Mental Health Services Act Steering Committee Meeting

Monday, June 18, 2018 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 1:06 p.m. by Luis Martinez.

# Item II Review of Housing

Jenny Hudson, AOABH Division Manager Lisa Row, AOABH Service Chief Julia Bidwell, OCCR Housing & Community Development

Jenny, Lisa and Julia presented on MHSA Housing and Supportive Services.
 Topics covered include: Definition of Homelessness, Types of Housing, MHSA
 Special Needs Housing Program, Permanent Supportive Housing, Eligibility,
 CSS Funds for Housing and Overview of MHSA Housing Projects.

# Item III PEI Planning Announcement

Mark Lawrenz, PEI Division Manager

Mark briefly talked about PEI Planning that starts next month. At the July 16,
 2018 MHSA Steering Committee Meeting, budgets, program ideas, area of need among others will be discussed to kick off the PEI Planning process.

#### Item IV Innovation Planning and Project Discussion

Flor Yousefian Tehrani, Innovations Manager

- Flor discussed the Innovation program idea submission process and showed the
  website ocmhsa.com where anyone can learn about Innovation programs, submit
  ideas and participate in discussions regarding different program ideas. She
  encouraged everyone to go on the website and share ideas and participate in
  discussions regarding possible future programs.
- Flor also presented on a current Statewide Innovation Project that Orange County
  could potentially participate in called Statewide Early Psychosis Learning Health
  Care Network. The project is led by University of California, Davis in partnership
  with other universities and multiple California counties that will 1) Give
  clinicians the opportunity to share and discuss outcome measures with clients
  immediately after they are completed, 2) Allows different Early Psychosis

programs to learn from each other through a training and technical assistance collaborative, 3) Position the State to participate in development of national network to inform and improve care for individuals with early psychosis across the United States. The estimated length of the project is 3-5 years with an estimated budget of up to \$2.5 million.

• **Action Item:** Flor proposed an action item vote on joining the Statewide Early Psychosis Learning Health Care Network Innovation Project: <u>The item was approved</u>, with 2 abstains and 0 no's.

#### Item V Public Comments

- A public comment was made calling for more spending to address the early childhood needs, mentioning these particular areas: 1) Early childhood mental health consultation in pre-school setting, 2) Expanding the early childhood mental health workforce, 3) Young child clinic and pediatric mental health centers.
- A public comment was made calling for more infant and early age childhood services. While all populations need service, adults seem to get most of the services and children have needs that should be addressed before they get older and before it is too late.
- A public comment was made pointing out that asking tough questions as committee members make the planning process better. We are planning for next year but there has not been much disclosed, such as spending reports that come from the County Executive Office and expenditure and revenue report which the committee should review.
- A public comment was made suggesting developing a housing plan in a
  calendarized way and whether there are enough FSP slots to provide adequate
  support to all the units of MHSA housing. There is 5% of funding that can be
  used for community planning and these funds should be spent on doing focus
  groups and collective impact groups. Also, the committee should be aware that
  programs are not being implemented as planned.

#### **Item VI** Steering Committee Comments

• A comment was made by a member noting the importance of having access to expenditure report and other financial reports. The member asked whether review of the Revenue and Expenditure Report can be a standing agenda item.

## Item VII Adjournment