

**Mental Health Services Act  
Steering Committee Meeting**

Monday, February 02, 2015

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Delhi Community Center  
505 E. Central Ave., Santa Ana, Ca**

**MINUTES**

**Members Present:** Tho Be, Chris Bieber, Theresa Boyd, Kim Branch-Stewart, Helen Cameron, Shannon Peterson, Barry Chaitin, Denise Cuellar, Dave Horner, Sandra Fair, Anna Bowes, William Gonzalez, Amy Grindrod, Cheryl Hart, Patricia Boortz, Geoff Henderson, Brian Jacobs, Pamela Kahn, Marc Lerner, Alyce Mastrianni, Richard McConaughy, Kathryn McCullough, Khe Ngo, Calvin Nguyen, Brett O'Brien, Mitch Cherness, Deby Wolford, Sharon Petrosino, Paul Shapiro, Belinda McCleese, Julian Rodriguez, Kevin Smith, Linda Smith, Mary Sweeney, Sue Watson, Patti Petit, Janis White, Ken White, Chase Wickersham

**Item I Call to Order/Welcome**

- *At 1:05 p.m. by Sharon Browning*
- Sharon announced agenda items and all members introduced themselves

**Item II MHSA Update**

*Dr. Jeff Nagel, MHSA Coordinator*

- Dr. Nagel gave an update on what the process going forward was to updating the MHSA 3-year plan for the current FY 15/16 Plan Update.
  - The CSS and PEI component changes would be brought forward today.
  - The Innovation Round 3 ranking forms are due today and the calculations for priority will be ranked.

**Item III State/Local Update**

*Mary Hale, BHS Director*

- Locally, Andrew Do has won the special election for the 1<sup>st</sup> District Supervisor's seat.
- Supervisor Bartlett will be sitting on the CalOptima Board.
- The governor released his 2015/16 state budget.
  - The amount of money generated from Prop 63 has increased.
- The Little Hoover Commission has released a report which is very critical of MHSA programs throughout the state. CBHDA has written a letter of support for the counties and included flaws in the report.
  - Orange County will be doing a Cost-Benefit Analysis for all of MHSA in the coming year(s), which will give full transparency of how our money is being spent and what we are getting for our money.
- Mary discussed going forward into the FY 16/17 Plan Update, how she sees the subcommittees and steering committee going forward with the planning process and review of program budgets for the next update.
  - Mary mentioned that there will be additional dollars available due to programs underspending. Program support will work on an analysis to find what our sustainable budget will be going forward for available dollars.

## Item IV

### Prevention and Early Intervention

*Jason Austin, Manager P & EI*

- \$200,000 approval for P & EI budget
- A need assessment is being implemented to come up with some ideas on how OCLINKS can better serve the community in different languages
- OCLINKS received 780 calls during the first year of service, from 10/13 to 10/14. More community outreach in general needs to be done

#### Action Item

- Pamela Kahn made a motion to move \$200, 000 to OCLINKS FY 15/16 & 16/17. The motion was approved

### Community Services and Supports

*Anthony Delgado & Linda Molina, Managers Adults and Older Adults Behavioral Health*

- Linda recommended additional funding for the Adult Crisis Residential Expansion

#### Action Item

- Criteria for admission was reviewed and a motion was approved to move \$600,000 for Adult Crisis Residential Expansion

2:30 p.m.

## BREAK

### Volunteer to Work

*Gerry Aguirre and Flor Tehrani Yousefian, Innovations*

- Flor reviewed the program and its goals. It contracted with the Goodwill Industries. It's current budget is \$541, 510 and it will end on 6-30-15

#### Action Item

- Denise Cuellar and William Gonzalez shared the benefits of the VTW program and a motion to continue funding the program for one additional year with CSS dollars. The motion was approved.

### Workforce, Education and Training

*Sheryl Curl and Dr. Jeff Nagel*

- Sheryl announced that the WET program requested to shift \$122,000 into different funds, but keeping the original amount approved in the 3-year plan still the same.
- Dr. Nagel announced that there's a nationwide shortage of qualified psychiatrists, especially in Orange County.
- MHSA and the WET Program request to start up a \$1,500,000 Loan Repayment Program.
  - Is consistent with the Financial Incentives Programs in the MHSA Act.

#### Action Item

- Two separate motions were made and approved.
  - To shift \$122,000 in WET funds to the 5 different subsets of WET
  - Start the Orange County Mental Health Loan Assumption Program for psychiatrists for \$1,500,000 annually.

### **Innovations Round 3**

*Gerry Aguirre and Dr. Jeff Nagel*

- Gerry announced the process and the ranking selection of projects for the 13 projects that were vetted and recommended for Steering Committee approval.
- There was discussion amongst the members, many of whom did not feel comfortable moving on all of the projects.
- Each of the 13 projects was read out and voted on individually rather than as a collective whole.
- After voting 11 of the 13 proposed projects were approved to be included in the MHSA FY 15/16 Plan Update.

#### **Action Item**

- A motion was approved to fund the Innovations Round 3 for FY 15/16 and FY16/17.

#### **Item V**

##### **Steering Committee Comments**

- NAMI- Each Mind Matters information was handed out
- Black History Parade is this coming Saturday in the city of Anaheim  
ACCESS CA is having an event. More info to come.

#### **Item V**

##### **Public Comments**

No comments

**4:30 p.m.**

**Adjourned**