Mental Health Services Act FY 2009-10 Annual Update

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What is the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)?

- MHSA was enacted when voters approved Proposition 63 in 2004.
- Imposes a 1 percent income tax on personal income in excess of one million dollars. The funding is distributed to counties upon approval of MHSA Plans and subsequently on an annual basis
- MHSA provides funds, personnel and other resources to expand local mental health services
- Services focus on wellness and recovery as well as prevention, early intervention for target populations, including children, transition age youth, adults, older adults and families.

The Principles of MHSA

- Community collaboration
- Cultural competence
- Client driven mental health system
- Family driven mental health system
- Wellness, recovery and resilience focus
- Integrated service experience.

The Principles of MHSA

- Outreach to unserved and underserved populations
 - Racial and ethnic groups
 - Geographic areas
 - A range of age groups
- Utilize best practices and evidence based strategies to deliver mental health services
 - Prevention and early intervention
 - Reduce negative outcomes.

MHSA Community Planning and Public Comment Period

- Local Mental Health Board: meets monthly provide updates and seek input.
- MHSA Stakeholders: quarterly meeting of community stakeholders—provide updates and seek input.
- MHSA Steering Committee: create and oversee MHSA Strategic Plan; provide feedback on policy decisions.

MHSA Community Planning and Public Comment Period

- National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) and Consumer and Family Advisory Committee (CFAC): MHSA is a standing agenda item—provide updates and seek feedback.
- Community planning meetings: held throughout the year to develop plans, seek input and provide updates.
- Various community meetings, including Early Childhood Mental/Developmental Health Collaborative, Senior Coalition, Clinic Consortium, IFSI Collaborative, and etc.

MHSA Community Planning and Public Comment Period

- MHSA Plans are posted for 30 day public comment period and notify public about public comment period.
- Public comments are incorporated into the final MHSA Plan.
- The final MHSA Plan is presented to the Solano Local Mental Health Board after the 30 day public comment period
- Submit final MHSA Plan to California Department of Mental Health for review and approval.

Five MHSA Components

- 1. Community Support & Services: fully implemented
- Prevention & Early Intervention: implementation phase
- Capital Facilities and Technology: implementation phase
- 4. Workforce Education & Training: pending state approval
- 5. Innovation: community planning phase

MHSA FY 2009-10 Updates and Highlights

- Community Support and Services
 - Full Service Partnerships (FSPs)
 - FSPs for target populations
 - Expand adult full service partnerships.
 - Systems Development
 - Continue supported education and vocational services within budget limits
 - Mobile Crisis
 - Supported Housing
 - Foster Family and Bilingual Support services
 - Outreach and Engagement
 - Start-up and implement Outreach and Engagement
 - Prudent Reserve
 - Proposing less than a 50% Prudent Reserve in 2009-10 FY because service levels would decrease.
 - Solano County's MHSA Five Year Strategic Plan will address the prudent reserve.

MHSA FY 2009-10 Updates and Highlights

- Prevention and Early Intervention
 - Very young children
 - School age children
 - Young adults
 - Older Adults

MHSA FY 2009-10 Updates and Highlights

- Prevention and Early Interventions (PEI)—Updates:
 - Integration of mental health and primary care services:
 - Expand PEI services to community health care centers to reach unserved and underserved populations.
 - Screen, identify and address mental health issues in the primary care center for PEI target populations.

Public Comments about MHSA FY 2009-10 Annual Plan

- Received community comments about the reduction to the Neighborhood of Dreams (NOD) contract.
- In FY 2009-10, NOD will receive \$1 million to continue to provide wellness & recovery services in Dixon, Fairfield, and Vallejo, including:
 - Skills building
 - Prevocational services
 - Supported vocational services
 - Supported education services.

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Questions?

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