

# Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Report

## 01/08/2016

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### **MHSA (Mental Health Services Act) Annual Progress Report (APR) an Exhibit 6 for FY 13/14 and FY 14/15 and 3-Year Plan Update for 15/16 & 16/17:**

- Notice of Public Comment Period was from December 8, 2015 to January 7, 2016.
- Public Hearing is today January 8, 2016 at the Mental Health Board Meeting
- The MHSA Three-Year Plan main changes are below.
  - PEI updates:
    - FREED Friendly Visitor program: Want to make sure that when we talk about individuals with a disability it can include an individual under the age of 60.
    - Senior Outreach Program: Update on who can do the assessments and case management-could be nurse, social worker or other trained professional.
    - Veterans Services Office Access and Linkage: Want to add Veterans as an underserved population that needs Access and Linkage services. Will fund at \$10,000 once the plan is approved.
  - WET updates:
    - We anticipate that most funds will be expended after the current fiscal year, 2015/2016. All funds have to be expended by FY 17/18.
    - Updating the “Our Voice Matter” section to allow stipends or reimbursement for the individuals training program participants. The Behavioral Health Department is concerned that funds are not being spent on speaking engagements; many speakers are not requesting funds for their speaking engagements. However, SPIRIT is supporting this program. We want to support SPIRIT until the funds are expended.

### **Community Services and Supports (CSS):**

- Respite Center is open and supporting guest on a daily basis.
- Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU):
  - The CSU is open and running.
  - All Crisis and CSU workers will be trained in our Electronic Health Record system.

### **Housing:**

- Nevada County Housing Development Corporation is in escrow on a second MHSA house.
- Steinburg Housing Proposal

### **Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI):**

- Meetings have occurred with the Health and Human Services Agency Director, the Behavioral Health Department and the Veterans Service Office to expand the Veterans Service Offices (VSO) ability to outreach and engage veterans and their families in services that the veteran and family is entitled to and will help the veteran and families reach their health and wellbeing goals and objectives. The Annual MHSA plan is being updated to include Veterans in the Access and Linkage portion of the plan. Conversations have also occurred to include the VSO on the Veterans homeless issues and solutions.
- Hospitality House contract for Homeless Outreach, Access and Linkage program in western Nevada County is going to the Board of Supervisors on 1/26/16.
- Project MANA contract for Homeless Outreach, Access and Linkage program in eastern Nevada County is going to the Purchasing Department in January 2016.
- Nancy Callahan is working with providers to implement new evaluation regulations that went into effect on October 6, 2015 (small counties have a one year grace period to get evaluation processes and procedures in place). This will be an ongoing project for the year.
- CalMHSA: change funding formula to include CalMHSA.

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### **Innovations:**

- A meeting with Nancy Callahan has occurred to discuss her time availability to write Innovation plans.
- Meetings set up with Truckee to work on Truckee Innovation Plan

### **Workforce Education and Training (WET)-**

- The Superior Region WET Peer Core Competency Training has been implemented and five individuals from Nevada County are participating in the program.
- WRAP Facilitator Training occurred on November 16<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> in Nevada County. BJ North is following up with the trained WRAP Facilitator with monthly Support Calls.

### **Technological Needs (TN): Anasazi**

- In early October the patient portal was rolled out in Anasazi. This allows clients, once trained, to be able to review their clinical summary information via any computer with internet access. Outreach is still being conducted to train clients on the use of the patient portal.
- Continuing to work on getting Anasazi updated on the “Meaningful Use” requirements. For 2016 staff will be initiating Stage 2 requirements:
  - Five Clinical Decision Support Interventions Tools
  - Electronic exchange of Lab orders
  - Health Information Exchange with other agencies
  - Secure Messaging between Clients and Doctors through Patient Portal
  - Medication Reconciliation