

# **Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Report**

## **12/05/14**

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### **MHSA (Mental Health Services Act) Annual Progress Report for FY 12/13 and 3-Year Plan for FY 14/15, 15/16 & 16/17:**

The MHSA 3-Year Plan Narrative and the Annual Progress Report (APR) is done except for fiscal information.

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

- Respite Center RFP: Darryl is working on the contract language.
- Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU): The County is working with the hospital on an Operational Agreement and Darryl Quinn has started to write an RFP (Request for Proposals) for organizations that want to provide services at the CSU.
- **Housing:**
  - Nevada County Behavioral Health Department (NCBHD) was awarded a small HUD (Housing and Urban Development) Permanent Supportive Housing grant in the amount of \$20,270 to support 2 units for chronically homeless individuals. Michele Violett has submitted the Technical Submission to HUD. We are waiting on the contract from HUD to implement this program.
  - Homeless Count is happening on January 26, 2015. A Homeless Connect Event will happen on January 27, 2015. At the Homeless Connect Event we will be surveying the homeless community on where they slept on the night of January 26th and we will provide food, warm clothing, entertainment, and support from other local businesses and community based organizations. We will be focusing this year's count to outreaching to youth/young adults and veterans. MHSA funds in the amount of \$3,000 are being used to help with food, transportation, incentives and other costs associated with the Homeless County/Survey/Event.

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

- Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSAOAC) has rewritten the PEI Regulations. There were so many comments from the public that they are reviewing the comments by sections and reopening public comments by sections.
- The new PEI regulations require each county have an Early Intervention Program for individuals who need short term therapy.
  - We will be funding therapists at the Truckee High Schools. We are in the process of changing EMQ FamilyFirst contract to reflect this new PEI activity. Previously all the services were being provided in-house through Children's Behavioral Health Department.
  - The other program that Nevada County is looking at implementing is Moving Beyond Depression (MDB). This program is to provide treatment to pregnant or postpartum women who are depressed. This program utilizes a Home Based Visitor Program and therapist who provide Cognitive Behavioral Therapy in the home. Nevada County is in the process of finding out how much it would cost to fund the program. The program would be implemented in collaboration with the Public Health Department.

Programs under contract/being implemented: Suicide Prevention, Senior Outreach, 211 Nevada County, Homeless Outreach, First Responder Training, Latino Outreach, Forensic Outreach,

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Second Step, Early Intervention for Youth at Risk, What's Up? Wellness Checks, Truckee Wellness Center, and mentoring programs.

#### **Innovations:**

- Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) has rewriting the Innovation Regulations. The regulations are with the Department of Health Care Service's legal department for final review.
- All Innovations projects end this year.
- We need to have a transition plan for the HOIT Team.
- We need to start the planning process for the next Innovation project(s).

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

- Our Voices Matter continues to meet every month.
- Training: Peer Specialist Training is Occurring in early January.
- Superior Region WET Partnership (SRWETP): Is working on creating a Superior Region Roving Supervision program. The SRWETP will hire a MSW or LCSW Supervisor to provide supervision for individuals who are living or working in areas where there is no access to supervision.
  - Per feedback from our local WET group, I informed SRWETP that the largest need for Nevada County is help with the cost of school tuition, books, labs, etc.
  - Nevada County would like to see scholarships, loan forgiveness opportunities, help with transportation cost etc.
- WET Budget: Cathy Cross is working with fiscal and NCBHD staff to determine the amount of funds remaining in the different WET components. All WET funds have to be utilized by June 30, 2018 or they will revert back to the State to be distributed to the other Counties. Of the \$457,000 of WET funds we received \$225,000 have to be spent by June 30, 2017 and the remaining \$232,000 have to be spent by June 30, 2018.

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

- The Anasazi Team expects in calendar year 2015 to have Anasazi functioning to allow consumers to be able to look at a portion/summary of their case records.

**Exhibit 6 Progress Report-** Cathy Cross is collecting the data from service provides for fiscal year 2013/14.