

MHSA Update November 7, 2008

1. Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) update – Rich Stone.

With input from the public there have been eight common projects by location and age group. Becky Slade and Rich Stone have been working on a summary of the PEI plan they will share with Michael Heggarty and the PEI focus group. Michael Heggarty has reviewed the draft PEI plan with Becky Slade. The part time therapist position written description looks more like direct service, the focus needs to be on prevention. The next step is to reconvene the PEI group and get their comments. Then it will be reviewed by the Mental Health Board and MHSA Steering Committee.

2. Capital Facilities Plan and Project – Public Hearing. Michele Violett. Handout.

The Capital Facilities Plan and Project #1 Crown Point Circle Remodel for Turning Point Providence Center were handed out at the October 3rd Mental Health Board Meeting. Draft blueprints for the Crown Point Circle remodel were also handed out at the October meeting. Copies of the Capital Facilities Plan were also available at today's meeting of the Mental Health Board. There was one email reply from the county website approving the Capital Facilities Plan and Project with no changes or suggestions. Michele Violett asked the Mental Health Board and the two visitors if there were any suggestions or changes to the Capital Facilities Plan and Project. There were no changes or suggestions.

Michele Violett will get Michael Heggarty's signature. The plan and project will then go to the Auditor/Controller Marcia Salter for signature. The final step is mailing the Capital Facilities Plan and Project to the Department of Mental Health for review and approval.

Question was asked if the State approves the plan will it need to go before the Board of Supervisors. No, Michael Heggarty has authority to sign for Mental Health Services Act. Michael Heggarty would need to go to the Board of Supervisors for any new contracts or purchases over \$25,000. Suggestion was made that we give an update to the Board of Supervisors on all MHSA plans so that they have prior knowledge. Michael Heggarty thinks we should have an annual MHSA update to the Board of Supervisors for all MHSA components. The Board of Supervisors usually limits presentation to 10 minutes. Another comment is made to update the Board of Supervisors as each plan is finalized, it might be too much to review all MHSA components at one time. It would be advantageous to have the Board of Supervisor representative assigned to the Mental Health Board attend on a regular basis so that they can report to the other Board of Supervisor members. Board of Supervisor assignments will change in January. We will not know who our new representative is until after January 20th. Michael Heggarty must identify funding sources (including MHSA funding) each time a new contract is presented to the Board of Supervisors. The minutes will reflect that there were no

comments on the Capital Facilities Plan and Project. Mental Health Board Chair Joan Rogers-Toensing asked if anyone was not in favor of the plan. There were no negative comments. The Mental Health Board is in favor of the Capital Facilities Plan and Project.

3. DMH Information Notice 08-25 discussion on Prevention and Intervention Funds for Statewide Projects. Michele Violett. Handout.

DMH Information Notice 08-25 was handed out at today's meeting. State Administered Projects were discussed at the October 3rd Mental Health Board meeting and a decision was made to discuss this issue further at the November Mental Health Board meeting. We need to decide whether or not to assign \$86,500 in PEI funds per year for four years for Statewide Projects. If we do not assign these funds to the State the money reverts back to the MHSA pool of funds to be redistributed among all the counties at a later date. Most likely Nevada County would only receive a fraction of that amount if we decide not to assign the funds. Since we do not have our PEI plan approved by the State, we must have a 30-day public comment period and a public hearing. If we agree to assign the funds for Statewide Projects we must let the State know an approximate date of when we will have completed the public hearing. Michael Heggarty recommends assigning PEI funds for State Administered Projects. The State has done a great job with its anti-tobacco campaign. As a small county we could not create a similar campaign for suicide prevention with the funds available to us.

Enclosure 1 of DMH Information Notice 08-25 gives examples of Local Level Activities. We will need to ensure that we set aside adequate funding for local level activities. The State will not provide additional funding for these activities and advised counties to use the recent additional allocation (\$86,500) in PEI funds. Rich Stone asks that we let the PEI subcommittee know that some PEI funds will need to be set aside for local level activities. Annette LeFrancois will send out an email announcing the start of the 30 day public comment period to PEI subcommittee members, MHSA Steering Committee members and Community Organizations.

4. Behavioral Health Director's Report, Grant & MHSA update – Michael Heggarty.