

MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT (MHSA)

“THE NEXT STEP”
PREVENTION EDUCATION
INTERVENTION (PEI)

Background

- The Mental Health Services Act (Proposition 63) was passed in November 2004. The MHSA represents a comprehensive approach to the development of community-based mental health services and supports for the residents of California.

- The intent of the MHSA is to transform the existing mental health system.

- The MHSA addresses a broad continuum of prevention, early intervention and service needs and the necessary infrastructure, technology and training elements that will effectively support the local mental health system.

- The Department of Mental Health (DMH) has planned for sequential phases of development for each of five components.

MHSA FIVE COMPONENTS

- Community Services and Supports
- Prevention and Early Intervention
- Workforce Education and Training
- Capital Facilities and Technology
- Innovation

Prevention and Early Intervention

- **The Next Step – Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI)**
- Prevention and Early Intervention approaches are transformational in the way they restructure the mental health system to a “help first” approach.

- . Through community prevention early intervention services mental health becomes part of wellness for individuals and the community, reducing the potential for stigma and discrimination against individuals with mental illness.

PEI Priority Populations

1. Underserved Cultural Populations
2. Individuals Experiencing Onset of Serious Psychiatric Illness
3. Children/Youth in Stressed Families
4. Trauma-Exposed Individuals of All Ages
5. Children/Youth at Risk for School Failure
6. Children/Youth at Risk of or Experiencing Juvenile Justice Involvement

Required and Recommended Sectors and Partner Organizations

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- **Required Sectors for Planning**
Recommended Partner Organizations for Planning
- Underserved Communities Individuals, families and community-based organizations (administrators and front line staff) representing Native American, African American, Hispanic/Latino, Asian/Pacific Islander, Refugee, Immigrant, Lesbian/Gay/Bisexual/Transgender/Questioning and other underserved/unserved communities

- Education County offices of education, school districts, parent/teacher associations, Special Education Local Plan Areas, school-based health centers, colleges/universities, community colleges, adult education, First 5 Commissions, early care and education organizations and settings

- Individuals with Serious Mental Illness
and/or their Families Client and family
member organizations
- Providers of Mental Health Services
Mental health provider organizations

- Health Community clinics and health centers, school-based health centers, primary health care clinics, public health, specialist mental health services, specialist older adult care health services,
- Native American Health Centers, alcohol and drug treatment centers, developmental disabilities regional centers, emergency services, maternal child and adolescent health services

- Social Services Child and family welfare services, CalWORKs, child protective services, home and community care, disability services, adult protective services
- Law Enforcement County criminal justice, courts, juvenile and adult probation offices, judges and public defenders, sheriff/police

Recommended Additional Sectors for Planning

- Community Family Resource Centers
Multipurpose family resource centers, spiritual/faith centers, arts, sports, youth clubs/centers, parks and recreation, homeless shelters, senior centers, refugee and immigrant assistance centers
- Employment Public and private sector workplaces, employee unions, occupational rehabilitation settings, employment centers, Work Force Investment Boards
- Media Radio, television, internet sites, print, newspaper, ethnic media

Outcomes-based Programs – Attachment

■ HANDOUTS – EPO & PP

Funding

- ***Funding – Never Enough!***
- \$1,101,000 for Sutter-Yuba Counties through June 2009

Next Steps

- Surveys
- Focus Groups six areas
- Recommendations