

Summary

Merced County Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Ongoing Planning Council

February 20, 2020
9:00 a.m.

Behavioral Health & Recovery Services Department
301 East 13th Street, Merced

Present:

Nancy Reding, Caitlin Haygood, Tria Vang, Karina Soto, Jovana Perez, Ruby Awesome, Aracely Sanchez, Kira Gunther, Kevin Wu, Maria Orozco, Anna Santos, Joana Castaneda, Maika Yang, Griselda Vazquez, Patti Kishi, Tatiana Vizcaino, Rebecca McMullen, Vong Chang, Cindy Mattox, Marilyn Mochel, Cesar Velasquez, Heydi Herrera, Anthony Vieira, Jeff Godfrey, Sandra Sandoval, Ismael Munoz, Alyssa Castro, Fernando Granados, Clovia Barboza, Sharon Jones

Presentation and Discussion:

All Members

I. Call to Order / Roll Call

II. Approval of Minutes

The approval of minutes for January 19, 2020 was motioned/seconded (Nancy Reding/Anna Santos) and carried.

III. Update Planning Council Contact List

Fernando Granados, Chair, encouraged all attendees to sign in to maintain an updated contact list.

IV. Notice to the Public

Nancy Reding informed the group that the Merced LGBTQ Pride is happening on Saturday, May 2nd. If anyone is interested in tabling the event, they can contact Nancy Reding for more information. This Saturday, Merced LGBTQ+ is hosting a group for ages 0-5, called The Circle Time, at the Library. There is also another group for ages 6-10 from 2-4pm at United Methodist Church.

V. Chair's Report

Fernando Granados informed the group that on March 20, CSU Stanislaus is going to be hosting their 3rd Annual Transcend Transpierce Conference. This year's focus will be on non-binary youth. Fernando will send a flyer to Clovia Barboza, so that she can send it out to the group. There is a \$75 registration fee, which includes lunch.

VI. Director's Report

Agenda item tabled.

VII. Program Presentation:

Vong Chang, the Program Director for Turning Point's Merced Community Assistance Recovery Enterprise (CARE), gave a presentation to the council. The CARE program is an intensive case management program that works primarily in the community setting. Their main focus is to improve the lives of those who are severely impacted with a serious psychiatric condition.

VIII. MHSA Audit Plan of Corrections

Sharon Jones reminded the group that we had a MHSA audit September 9-11, 2019. We recently received the results of the audit, which included a performance review. The first thing the audit said we needed to improve on was to make sure the Department of Health Care Services and the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability receive our annual reports. The audit found that Merced County needs a capacity assessment. We need to be more descriptive in our Full Service Partnership age groups. We need to clearly break down the Prevention and Early Intervention programs by category. We will send out the document so that we can have a discussion at the next meeting. The audit plan of corrections is due to Yvonnia by March 15.

IX. MHSA Demographics Tracking

Sharon Jones mentioned that we are going to need to look at how we are tracking demographics. We need to focus in a little more.

X. MHSA Behavioral Health Needs Assessment

Sharon Jones stated that we need another needs assessment.

XI. Timeline and Kick Off for FY 20/21 – 22/23 Community Planning Process

Sharon Jones stated that we are kicking off another community planning process. The timeline for the next community planning process will be out by the next meeting.

XII. May is Mental Health Awareness Month

Sharon Jones informed the group that we are planning for May is Mental Health Awareness month. We are hoping to get Kevin Breel as the speaker for the event.

XIII. Administrative Updates and Changes

Sharon Jones stated there are no updates or changes for this meeting.
A sign-in sheet for program presentations for 2020 was passed around the group.

XIV. Possibilities and Success Stories

RDA gave a presentation on the Innovative Strategist Network (ISN) adult and youth programs. The ISN is a short-term coordination program. The idea is to be able to quickly come in, work with someone, be able to break down any barriers to getting them access, identify their needs, provide support, and help link them to resources.

XV. Next Steps

No items mentioned.

XVI. Adjourned

Meeting adjourned at 10:00am