



MHSOAC Services Committee

2013 Charter

Purpose:

To ensure compliance with Welfare and Institutions Code (WIC) Sections 5846 and 5847 the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission, (MHSOAC) Services Committee will make recommendations to the MHSOAC regarding Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) programs and services.

Objectives:

1. Oversee MHSA Program Service Components. Purpose and intent follow:
 - Identify relevant trends and issues regarding MHSA planning and implementation and make recommendations to the MHSOAC
2. Identify and recommend appropriate policies, including MHSA guidelines and regulations to support high-quality planning, programs, evaluation, and outcomes consistent with the MHSA
3. Promote best practices and quality improvement, including use of evaluation data
4. Assure that counties and communities have necessary supports to deliver quality MHSA-funded programs
 - Make recommendations regarding training and technical assistance necessary to implement and sustain MHSA Service Components; assure that training is coordinated, accessible, and in other ways consistent with MHSA policy paper on training and technical assistance
 - Support creation of a MHSA Resource Center and Clearinghouse

Guiding Principles:

Committee policy and strategy recommendations to the MHSOAC should reflect and strive to address the following priorities:

1. Culturally and linguistically competent
2. Promotes a client/family/parent-driven system
3. Reduces stigma and discrimination
4. Fully informed via a robust stakeholder process
5. Best practices and continuous improvement
6. Emphasizes the inclusion of all ages across the life-span
7. Aims to reduce mental health disparities.

Activities:

1. Identify and communicate lessons learned and best practices, including from evaluations and other sources, to improve programs and policies as part of quality improvement feedback. Work with other MHSOAC committees as needed.
2. Facilitate development of training and technical assistance statewide resource center, including on-line clearinghouse.
 - a. Develop a clearinghouse to disseminate “best practices”, including emerging community based practices, for programs and training such as those that promote integration of services, including services for co-occurring disorders.
3. Implement framework for coordination of Training and Technical Assistance (T/TA) and recommend priorities for further action.
 - a. Through lessons learned from evaluation inform technical assistance efforts.
4. Seek opportunities with an integrated focus.
 - a. Finish Integration Report
5. Develop / Collaborate on regulations, guidelines and policies. Workgroup to be formed with participation from Client and Family Member Leadership Committee (CFLC), Cultural and Linguistic Competence Committee (CLCC), Financial Oversight and Evaluation Committee.
6. Support training and technical assistance to disseminate successful Innovation programs developed by counties through the Innovation Component.
7. Continue to review MHSA program implementation trends.
8. Reach out and collaborate with the Department of Public Health on reducing disparities (monitor status).
 - a. Office of Health Equity
 - b. Progress and Process of California Reducing Disparities Project
9. Collaborate with new state entities, and convene a work group with members from CLCC, CFLC, Financial Oversight and Evaluation Committee, to provide input for development and implementation of the Integrated Plan.
10. Monitor Health Care Reform.
11. Receive regular updates on MHSOAC evaluation efforts, consider implications of pertinent results, and make plans to act on those that are relevant to Committee purpose and objectives, including providing Training and Technical Assistance. Provide input on MHSOAC evaluation efforts as needed.
12. Monitor and report the status of the implementation of AB 109 and its impact on the MHSA.
13. Continue oversight of Statewide PEI Projects.

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