



INNOVATION PLAN APPROVAL SUMMARY

Humboldt County

Review History

County Submitted Innovation Plan: March 16, 2010

MHISOAC Review Team Meeting: March 29, 2010

MHISOAC Letter to County Providing Feedback: March 30, 2010

County Submitted Revised Plan: April 7, 2010

MHISOAC Vote Regarding Plan Approval: April 29, 2010

Innovation Plan Summary

Humboldt County proposes to create a peer-based approach to improving mental health outcomes for older transition-age youth with severe mental illness, especially those who have experienced foster care. The Innovation Project will pair each client with a Peer Support Specialist, who will provide a broad range of services and supports. A unique aspect of Humboldt County's project is that the Peer Support Specialists will be active participants in a range of County Department of Health and Human Services initiatives that are youth-focused and youth-driven, and will be active participants in program development and treatment planning, in addition to providing services. This Innovation project builds on Humboldt County's demonstrated commitment to partnering with transition-age youth, including the County's Foster Care Expansion Initiative.

BUDGET: \$818,700

Staff and the Plan Review Team Recommend: APPROVAL