



INNOVATION PLAN APPROVAL SUMMARY Mariposa County Innovation

Total Requested for Innovation: \$110,100

Staff Recommend: APPROVAL

Review History

County Submitted Innovation Work Plan: June 3, 2010

MHSOAC Vote regarding Plan Approval: July 29, 2010

County Demographic Profile

- Population: 18,356 (rapid population growth – expected to double by 2020)
 - Latino: 10.5%
 - APA: 1.1%
 - Native American: 3.6%
 - African American: 1.2%
- Age
 - 17.3% under age 18
 - 18.8% age 65 or older

Mariposa County Innovation Work Plan: MHSA Team Decision-making

Duration: three years

Other Similar MHSA Innovation Programs: none

- Adaptation of Team Decision-making, a successful child welfare practice, to improve and integrate mental health service delivery and increase self-sufficiency for adults with serious mental illness in crisis and at risk of homelessness
- Consumer-led Decision-making Teams, which, at the consumer's discretion, include family members, mental health professionals, and diverse community resource providers, maximize support and resources for recovery and success

Expected Contribution to Learning and Development of New/Improved Mental Health Approaches

- Assess whether a best practice approach used in child welfare and adapted for a mental health setting results in positive outcomes for adults with serious mental illness in crisis, especially those at risk of homelessness.
- Assess whether MHSA Team Decision-making increases community collaboration and reduces stigma
- Clients, family members, and Mariposa Behavioral Health will collaborate with CSU Fresno Foundation (through the Central California Social Welfare Evaluation, Research, and Training Center) to assess results of this Innovation

Example Reviewer Comments

- Questions about inclusion in community planning of stakeholders that reflect the diversity of the demographics of the County. The County provided additional information with focus on contributions of Latino and Native American communities
- Concern that plan did not make it sufficiently clear that consumers would lead Decision-making Teams. The County provided this assurance and clarification
- Concern that consumers were not sufficiently involved in development and assessment of the Innovation. The County provided this assurance and clarification