

PROPOSAL “L” FOR FY 2012/13 MHSOAC EVALUATION

Name of Proposed Evaluation: Workforce Education and Training (WET)
Evaluation Planning

Brief Description:

WET is the third component of the MHSA and is intended to address identified occupational shortages in addition to education and training needs of the public mental health workforce. The overall mission of WET is to develop and maintain a sufficient workforce capable of providing client and family driven, culturally competent services that promote wellness, recovery and resilience, and lead to evidence-based, value-driven outcomes.

To date, the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) has taken steps toward ensuring that progress is being made with the WET component. Next steps include planning for evaluation efforts associated with WET that ensure that this component is moving in the right direction toward accomplishing its goals.

This project aims to support these plans and proposes to use funds to assess the impact of current WET evaluation efforts and design additional evaluation plans. The specific scope of these plans will be designated via this process, although the focus of the evaluation may be to assess the level of impact that WET has on MHSA values, such as reducing disparities.

Purpose (check all that apply)

- Inform and Improve Services Assess and Communicate Impact
 Inform and Improve Policy Gain Insight
 Affect Those Who Participate in the Inquiry
 Other, specify _____

Audience and Uses

The audience for WET program outcomes includes the MHSOAC, OSHPD, policy makers, counties and their providers, clients and family members, and the general public.

Questions

- What is currently being done to evaluate the WET program?
- Does the WET program have an impact on MHSA values?

Priority Goals/Outcomes/Indicators from MHSA/SOC Statute

This evaluation may focus on all MHSA outcomes (community/statewide, program/system, and individual/family).

Outcome Consistent with MHSOAC Logic Model

Strategies 2, 5, and 6 will be the focus of this project.

MHSOAC Estimated Funding Need \$150,000-300,000

One-year only Multi-year (specify number of years)