

AGENDA ITEM: Evaluation Committee

- **Presentation: University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA) In Partnership with Evaluation, Management and Training Associates (EMT)**

ENCLOSURES • None

OTHER MATERIAL RELATED TO ITEM: The following items will be provided at the Commission meeting:

- Executive Summaries of Reports submitted by UCLA Center for Healthier Children, Youth and Families, June 30, 2012:
 - Draft “Initial Statewide Priority Indicator Report”
 - Draft “Full Service Partnerships: California’s Investment to Support Children and Transition-Age Youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance and Adults and Older Adults with Severe Mental Illness”
- PowerPoint handout

ISSUE:

At the July 26th MHSOAC meeting the Commission will receive a presentation regarding the most recent evaluation deliverables under the MHSOAC evaluation contract with the University of California, Los Angeles (UCLA). UCLA, in partnership with Evaluation, Management and Training Associates (EMT), completed the reports entitled, “Draft Initial Statewide Priority Indicator,” and the Full Service Partnership (FSP) cost and cost offset report titled “Draft California’s Investment to Support Children and Transition-Age Youth with Serious Emotional Disturbance and Adults and Older Adults with Severe Mental Illness” that set forth their findings. As required by the contract, these reports are drafts that will be provided to stakeholders for review and input before being finalized. The presentation will be provided by:

- Elizabeth Harris, Ph.D., from EMT
- Robert Blagg, Ph.D., Senior Research Associate from EMT

BACKGROUND:

Evaluation of the Mental Health Services Act

After several years of substantial work by the MHOSAC Evaluation Committee and stakeholders, on February 7, 2011 the MHSOAC entered into a contract with UCLA to provide the initial MHSOAC statewide evaluation of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA). The evaluation is designed to document activities and costs for the MHSA components, determine the impact on clients with mental illness and their families, summarize and synthesize other evaluation efforts, and measure system-wide effects of the MHSA on California’s public community mental health system.

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DATE OF MEETING: 7/26/12

PREPARED BY: Lyon, Hood, Hoffman

DATE MATERIAL PREPARED: 7/26/12

BACKGROUND

Evaluation of the Mental Health Services Act (Continued)

The most current report documents the MHSA’s impact on the system and its consumers using data that has been arranged into target outcomes (referred to as *Priority Indicators*) that have particular interest to the MHSOAC and mental health services stakeholders.

These Priority Indicators were previously approved by the Commission. The report explores the impact of Full Service Partnerships on Education/Employment, Homelessness/Housing, and Justice Involvement. It also examines the impact of the MHSA on critical system indicators including client and family perception of well being and demographics of new clients for analysis of reduction of disparities in access.

On April 11, 2011, the MHSOAC executed a second contract with UCLA to provide deliverables that focus on an analysis of Full Service Partnership (FSP) costs and cost avoidance, in addition to the impact of the MHSA on client outcomes by using participatory research. (An FSP can be described as a “Whatever It Takes” approach to find the method and means to engage an individual, determine their needs, and create collaborative services and support to meet those needs).

The most current report being presented today from this second contract explores the average statewide annual and per day cost of providing FSP services to clients in California. This report also identifies the cost offsets that society realizes because these services have been provided.