

## CLCC Self-Assessment and Education Workgroup Update

**Workgroup Members:** Dorothy Friberg, Marissa Lee, Sharon Jones, Alexander Kagan and Delores Williams

**Meetings:** July 18, 2013 and August 21, 2013 (cancelled due to lack of workgroup response).

**Activity 5:** Prepare annual cultural competence presentation to Staff/Commissioners.

### Progress:

- Workgroup reviewed last year's presentation and evaluations.
- The workgroup is proposing that this year's cultural competence presentation be entitled; **Disparities in Treatment - Community Defined Practice vs. Evidence Based Practice**. (Discuss the nexus between to two practices). The presentation may incorporate recommendations from the California Reducing Disparities Project (CRDP). The presentation should also touch on micro aggressions vs. stereotypes, inter-sectionality and historical trauma, which contributes to disparities in treatment and the organizational cultural competence continuum.
- Co-Chair LeeAnne Mallel will provide the closing comments.
- An expert presenter will be utilized.
- Staff contacted Dr. Gloria Morrow and Dr. Nolan Zane, but they both declined the invitation to be the presenter of the CLCC presentation. However, Lee Moon agreed to speak with the committee members and provided an overview of his credentials, discussed his presentation style and answered questions from the workgroup at the July 18, 2013 meeting.
- Some members of the workgroup, including staff and the Chairs felt that Mr. Wah's presentation style may not be well received by the Commissioners, so other presenter options will be researched.
- Due to limited time remaining to select a presenter and prepare for the presentation, the topic may need to be streamlined or revised.

**Activity 8:** 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. Provide input on MHSOAC evaluation efforts as needed.

- a. Communicate lessons learned and best practices from evaluations to improve programs and policy as part of quality improvement feedback.

**Progress:**

- Dr. Renay Bradley will provide updates regarding MHSOAC Evaluation efforts as needed, pending her availability and workload.

**Activity 9:** Develop and conduct an initial organizational (MHSOAC) self-assessment of Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) related activities and identify possible gaps and offer recommendations.

- a. Present the findings to the Commission.

**Progress:**

- Staff obtained the updated Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Service (CLAS) Standards and emailed the link to the workgroup.
- The members of the workgroup are in the process of researching available assessment tools. Workgroup members will report their findings at next workgroup meeting.
- Staff located two agencies that can provide CLAS Organizational Assessments. These options will be discussed at the August CLCC meeting.

**Activity 6:** Communicate progress in reducing mental health disparities to continue to build collaboration in access, quality of care and services.

- This activity will be discussed at next workgroup meeting.