

Financial Oversight Committee

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Presentation on Use of MHSA Administrative Funds by the Department of Developmental Services (DDS)

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Requested link regarding latest report:

http://www.dds.ca.gov/HealthDevelopment/MHSA_TrngRegProject.cfm

Overview:

- Total annual amount received: \$1.2M
- \$675,000 to Regional Centers for individual projects
- \$65,000 to two mental health part time assistants in collaborative
- \$388,000 supports three headquarter positions for monitoring of contracts, support to the collaborative--Community Program Specialist II (similar to AGPA), Staff Services Manager I and Consulting Psychologist.
- DDS provides TA and oversight and monitors projects, semi-annual progress reports, bimonthly conference calls, talk about successes, problems and TA from one another.
- 271,000 DDS consumers, approximately 29,000 consumers with dual diagnosis, developmental and mental health diagnosis
- Mental health system does not know how to serve DDS consumers. MHSA money strives to correct this
- 1996 DDS established a relationship with Department of Mental Health with ongoing task force. Now taskforce is Collaborative. Collaborative is funded with MHSA dollars
- Two part time mental health consultants in collaborative; One is retired Regional Center Executive Director and Joan Haas, County Mental Health Director for Sutter Yuba
- Meets quarterly; discuss issues that affect both service delivery systems; helps establishing priorities on how to spend MHSA money; distributed to regional centers, give money to fund projects in the local community; send out RFA based on priorities

First funding cycle 2008-2011:

- 7 regional centers funded; three did infant mental health projects, behavior training, four statewide summits were done by another regional center to identify barriers and work out ways to overcome problems in various systems
- San Gabriel-Pomona did a psychiatric fellowship training; block of four psychiatrists would go through training then work with consumers in the community, this project's feedback from regional center created much good will between counties, DCFS, probation and 7 LA county regional centers and each agency has requested additional training.
- Another project was update for health care professional UCSF to train students, physicians and social workers in the different aspects of mental health needs for do population
- The first cycle 3000 professionals trained with each of the various projects.

Going through second cycle of funding now

- 8 regional centers are doing projects; 2 are doing infant mental health, substance abuse reductions with Alta Regional Center and MHSA forums, one in June presented previously successful projects and mental health services