



PEI PLAN APPROVAL SUMMARY

County: Fresno

Review History:

Original Plan Submitted: **July 9, 2009**

Formal Review Meeting: **August 5, 2009**

Letter Providing Review Team Feedback: **August 6, 2009**

Conference Call with County to Review Feedback: **August 10, 2009**

Plan Recommended for Approval: **August 27, 2009**

Plan Projects:

This PEI Plan has 8 projects:

- 1) Integration of Primary Care and Mental Health PEI at Federally Funded Clinics
- 2) Cultural-based Access-Navigation Specialists and Peer Support Clinics
- 3) Peri-Natal Program for Pregnant/Parenting Women and their Infants
- 4) Schools-based Program for Kindergarten through Eighth Grade
- 5) Horticultural Therapeutic Community Centers as Resource Centers and Sites for Peer Support
- 6) First-Onset Consumer and Family Support
- 7) Crisis and Acute Care Prevention and Early Intervention
- 8) Funding PEI Activities in CSS through PEI

Fresno County Plan Strengths:

- Fresno County made an impressive effort to ensure unserved and underserved populations participated in the CPP, which included rural migrant communities, Urban African Americans, Punjabi, Sikh as well as a variety of Southeast Asian groups.
- Though cumbersome, time consuming and expensive, simultaneous translation was provided to ensure stakeholder involvement. The Review Team found this to be "A Gold Standard" for transparent inclusion.
- Project 1 is a proven strategy for accessing underserved populations via community clinics.
- Project 2 supports 9 peer support specialists to work with 4 underserved groups which is a good use of PEI resources.
- Project 3 is designed to support pregnant or parenting women and their infants by providing outreach, screening, assessment and referrals to appropriate treatment options.

- Project 4 will be primarily based in the un-served and underserved regions of Fresno County to ensure increased access to Mental Health services.
- Project 5 provides a culturally appropriate site to provide PEI activities which address immigrant-related trauma and PTSD or other MH concerns for this community.
- Project 6 works collaboratively with project 2 and may assist families seek cultural and linguistically appropriate support.
- Project 7 addresses the new mental health concerns as a result of the growing impact of the economic crisis on Mental Health in Fresno County.
- Project 8 includes 4 programs currently implemented and funded under CSS as PEI activities. Program 8a is a stigma-busting, confidence building resource for consumers and family members. Program 8a will be a hub of mental health awareness, outreach and engagement for the community. Program 8b is a team of parents, family caregivers, probations officers, social workers, teachers, community representatives and mental health staff that will come together in an effort to address stability and permanency, in the least restrictive environment, for children/families with serious emotional disturbances. Program 8c promotes awareness of youth mental illness and increases access to behavioral health services for unserved and underserved children and youth and their families. Program 8d provides functional family therapy and community support services to 120 unserved and underserved high-risk youth who are involved in the juvenile justice system and their families.

The Plan Review Team Recommends: APPROVAL

BUDGET: \$6,537,258