



PEI PLAN APPROVAL SUMMARY

County: Ventura

Review History:

Original Plan Submitted: **August 10, 2009**

Formal Review Meeting: **September 2, 2009 & October 7, 2009**

Letter Providing Review Team Feedback: **September 10, 2009**

Conference Call with County to Review Feedback: **September 8 - October 8, 2009**

Plan Recommended for Approval: **October 22, 2009**

Plan Projects:

This PEI Plan has 5 projects:

- 1) Community Coalitions
- 2) Primary Care Services
- 3) School-Based Services
- 4) Parenting
- 5) Early Signs of Psychosis Intervention

Ventura County Plan Strengths:

- Ventura County's Planning Committee identified a framework of geographic areas within the county to drive the outreach, assessment, data collection and recommendations process for the Community Program Planning Process. This framework ensured inclusiveness, balance and a commitment to expanding access to mental health prevention and early intervention support. The county also retained the expertise of EvalCorp for data gathering and community facilitation.
- The Review Team commends the county for their collaboration with the Mexican Consul General's Office as well as the engagement with the migrant farm working communities.
- Project 1 is a county-wide awareness and education effort that intends to coordinate efforts between 4-6 community-based coalitions. These coalitions will consist of local collaborative groups that will develop education materials regarding mental health for their local community.

- Project 2 will make prevention and early intervention services readily available and accessible in non-stigmatizing settings. The target population for this project is individuals from all age groups with issues surrounding depression and trauma.
- Project 3 is a School Based Services Project specifically focused on services targeting risk factors associated with disruptive behaviors, school failure, drug use and juvenile crime.
- Project 4 primarily involves implementation of the Triple-P Parenting Model. The project will support a broad multi-level prevention and parenting intervention for children in stressed families and at-risk of school failure.
- Project 5 responds to the priorities identified by the community planning process and targets Transitional Age Youth showing the early signs of psychosis. Project 5 includes resources for a mobile team who will provide screening/assessments and when indicated, early interventions services, that are home and community based.

The Plan Review Team Recommends: APPROVAL

BUDGET: \$ 5,250,583