
AGENDA ITEM 5A

Action

August 27, 2015 Commission Meeting

Riverside County Innovation Plan: TAY Drop-In Center

Summary: The Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC or Commission) will consider approval of Riverside County's request to fund its new Innovative (INN) Project, the Transition Age Youth (TAY) Drop-In Center. Staff reviewed the county's plan and recommends that the Commission approve a total \$18,574,970 for five years.

The Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) requires that an INN project does one of the following: a) Introduces a new mental health practice or approach, including but not limited to prevention and early intervention; b) Makes a change to an existing mental health practice or approach, including, but not limited to, adaptation for a new setting or community; or c) Introduces to the mental health system a promising community-driven practice/approach, that has been successful in non-mental health contexts or settings. The law also requires that an INN project address one of the following as its primary purpose: (1) Increase access to underserved groups; (2) Increase the quality of services including measurable outcomes; (3) Promote interagency and community collaboration; or (4) Increase access to services.

The Riverside County Mental Health Project, TAY Drop-In Center, makes a change to an existing mental health practice or approach, and has the dual primary purposes of increasing the quality of services and outcomes and promoting interagency collaboration. The INN Project complies with all MHSA requirements.

Riverside County proposes to develop a new comprehensive TAY Peer Support Specialists (PSS) pre-employment training approach, to be implemented in TAY Drop-In Centers in three regions, each with unique resources, populations, and challenges.

The Drop-In Centers will serve as a hub for training as well as service delivery and will include the following integrated elements:

- 1) Development and implementation of a TAY PSS training curriculum.
- 2) Adaptation of First Episode Psychosis (FEP), an evidence-based practice, by fully incorporating TAY PSS staff into interdisciplinary teams.
- 3) Co-location of interagency partners within TAY Drop-In Centers, which will provide the TAY PSS with an opportunity to learn and practice their skills in an integrated context and will also improve coordination of services for TAY clients.

The County is requesting authorization from the MHSOAC to fund this five-year project in the amount of \$18,574,970.

Presenters:

- Jose Oseguera, Chief of Plan Review and Committee Operations
- Deborah Lee, Consulting Psychologist

Enclosures: Innovation Plan Approval Summary: Riverside County Innovation

Handout: A PowerPoint will be presented at the meeting.

Recommended Action: Approve Riverside County's Innovation Project.

Motion: The MHSOAC approves Riverside County's Innovation Project:

- Name: TAY Drop-In Center
Amount: \$18,574,970
Project Length: 5 Years