

Continuous System Improvement Committee
Conference Call
February 22, 2013
9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Members

Pat Bennett, Chair
Susan Wilson, Vice-Chair
Jeff Riel
Walter Shwe
Lorraine Flores
Adrienne Cedro-Hament

Staff

Tracy Thompson
Linda Dickerson, PhD
Jane Adcock, Executive Officer

Discuss work plan for the year, goals, what we want to accomplish

- Pat Bennett: The committee needs to focus on putting together a work plan. We have been looking at different models, and need to decide which will work the best. It is important to articulate some kind of goals for ourselves first. One of our goals is to complete the workbook to assist the local Mental Health Boards. Another is to report on aspects of the mental health system in Ca.
- Jane Adcock: Staff has been asked to participate on the CA Coalition for Mental Health's work group looking into the transfer of the mandate to provide mental health services to Education. The workgroup would discuss access and quality of care issues related to the transfer of the mandate for mental health treatment in school age children and youth from counties to schools. Members support this topic.
- Adrienne Cedro-Hament: Another topic to keep on our radar is AB 109.
- Bennett: Andi is drafting a paper that is a re-cap of the presentations regarding AB. We will continue to access information on what is coming up in the counties regarding AB 109. People are spending long periods of time in jail and parole revocations can take a long time. This can change the nature of the jail environment. This should be on our radar at least.
- Adcock: Beginning in July of this year the courts will take over the parole revocation. This may open the door to revisit the mental health court angle.
- Bennett: We also discussed the topic of trauma and having some information and presentations.
- Adcock: Trauma in the early years can affect brain development. What would be the end result of focusing on this topic?
- Bennett: Some question whether the MHSA spend money on prevention? Many people do not have information on what the research is showing and the importance of the impact of trauma on development and mental health in later years. Simply educating ourselves and others and a statement paper is useful, but also tying it to the importance of prevention and early intervention.

- Bennett: Are members comfortable with staff and Pat preparing a draft work plan between now and next time we meet? We will focus on activities and outputs for the next few years.
- Adrienne: Sandy Hook and gun control should be on our radar as well. What is the Planning Council doing about this?
- Jane: The Advocacy Committee has written several letters on this topic. Daryl Steinberg has been lobbying for the adoption of Prevention and Early Intervention and partnerships at the federal level that mirror those in the MHSA.

Inviting ongoing participation of MHSOAC and CALMHB/C in committees and what that looks like

- Linda Dickerson: One of the concerns expressed at the last MHSOAC Evaluation Committee meeting was the danger of data siloes and not having enough communication between entities resulting in duplication of efforts.
- Bennett: Do we ask the CALMHB/C to appoint a specific member?
- Tracy Thompson: There are members of the CALMHB/C who have asked to be on the subcommittee for the workbook. Members as follows:
 - Beryl Neilsen
 - Herman DeBose
 - Cary Martin
- John Pearson of Napa County has also expressed interest in being a part of the subcommittee.
- Cedro-Hament: Will they be voting members of the committee and would we pay for their attendance?
- Wilson: We need to be clear that we cannot fund travel expenses but we can extend an invitation.
- Adcock: Should the committee extend an invitation to Renay Bradley of the MHSOAC as well?
- Dickerson: We would benefit from her expert advice if her schedule and time permit, either as a workgroup member or expert resource.
- Dickerson: It may be helpful to have a separate meeting face to face for just workbook subcommittee members. This could happen Wednesday evenings when we all meet for the quarterly meeting for perhaps an hour and a half or over dinner.
- Staff and Susan Wilson will discuss a meeting time for a standing conference call for workbook subcommittee members.

Ideas for presentations and trainings. Balancing that with discussion.

- Bennett: The committee needs to discuss ways to balance presentations and discussion time in our meetings.

- Bennett: Some of our training and presentation work should be focused around the workbook. We should think of organizations or individuals that can enrich this topic. A great resource for trauma is Alice Lieberman from UCSF. Susan Wilson is very knowledgeable about this topic and will be available as back-up if needed.
- Dickerson: Someone from the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs may have some insight into our work as well.
- Dickerson: Looking at EQRO reports and hearing from other programs, there are counties doing some excellent work and it would be interesting to hear about their experiences and how they approach data. Imperial and Riverside counties may be interesting.
- Wilson: What about the California Outcomes Measurement Service (CalOMS) I will be attending CalOMS training and this would be an interesting topic for the committee to discuss. How does it work and what is it used for?
- Wilson suggested that Dickerson contact Alcohol and Drug Programs for a speaker. Dickerson agreed.
- Bennett suggested asking Monica Nepomuceno to present on AB 3632 in the event the Department of Alcohol and Drug Programs is unable to attend.
- Dickerson suggested inviting UCSF to the Burlingame meeting in June.
- Wilson: Many of our very own CMHPC members are fantastic resources.
- Bennett: Monica Nepomuceno is a great resource for AB 3632

Discuss additional CSI Focus: AB3632 Services, Trauma

- Bennett: We will build these topics into our work plan for the year

Current projects and evaluation MHSOAC committee

- Dickerson advised that there are projects that have been completed or are about to be completed at the MHSOAC. Dickerson will send a summary of those projects.
- Bennett: Dickerson will provide an overview at the next meeting of evaluation related activities at the MHSOAC, CalMHSA's activities, Child Welfare Council, and EPSDT workgroup.
- Adrienne: The Cultural Competency Committee has guidelines for presenters to assist them in providing a culturally competent presentation. We should continue providing this list to all presenters.
- Bennett will get information to contact Alice Lieberman
- Dickerson will contact members of CALMHB/C regarding workbook subcommittee and scheduling of phone calls.

Take aways and next steps

- Mike Reiter was asked to be an informal expert adviser to the workgroup for work plan.

- Time will be allotted for discussion of the workbook and the work plan at the next meeting.
- The work book subcommittee will try to schedule a call before next meeting.
- A face to face meeting will be scheduled at the quarterly meeting for the workbook subcommittee. Staff will advise CALMHB/C members of the face to face meetings so they may attend as well.

Call adjourned at 10:04 a.m.