

Mono County
TBS Decision-Maker Meeting
November 18, 2009
2:30-3:30

In attendance: Ann Gimpel, Ph.D., Mental Health Director
Beverlee Bryant, Chief Probation Officer
Ed Zylman, Social Services Director
Frank Romero, Ph.D., Superintendent, Mammoth Unified School District
Tracy Neal, Probation Officer IV

George Booth, the District Attorney and Don Clark, Superintendent of the Eastern Sierra Unified School District were invited but did not attend. Handout materials from the meeting were mailed to them.

Handouts included: Medi-Cal Services for Children and Young People, EPSDT trifold
Emily Q. et. Al., v. Belshe, Et. Al. summary of the lawsuit
The Emily Q Nine-Point Plan Slide Presentation

Dr. Gimpel provided the group with an overview of TBS since its inception in Mono County in the middle of 2002. She clarified who is eligible for this service and went over each of the points in the Nine Point Plan.

The group discussed how to best identify eligible children to ensure that they have access to services. All were in agreement that we have very few youth who meet TBS criteria, nonetheless, we don't want to miss the opportunity to offer this service to those who are eligible.

Ms. Bryant and Ms. Neal will discuss TBS criteria with Probation staff. Dr. Gimpel will come to a Social Services staff meeting to discuss TBS and ensure that line staff are aware of this available Medi-Cal EPSDT service. Dr. Romero will discuss TBS with his principals. Dr. Gimpel is sending the handout materials to the Eastern Sierra Unified School District as well as to the District Attorney along with an explanatory note.

When the State-sponsored training on TBS is available, Mental Health, Probation and Social Services will all send staff.

The group discussed two high risk young people who could use enhanced services but who do not, as yet, meet criteria for TBS. We strategized how to best meet their needs with limited resources. (Neither child is eligible for Medi-Cal.)

The group agreed to come back together in six months to discuss our efforts in identifying children eligible for TBS services.