

## **TBS Forum scheduled on 11/3/09**

**3:00 PM until 5:00 PM**

Attendees included:

1. Noel J. O'Neill MH Director
2. Ann Houle Clinical Director
3. Victoria Clark Collins; Counselor from Mountain Valley School District in Hayfork; position sponsored by Prevention MHSA Dollars
4. Angel Morton, Supervisor for Human Response Network, a partner agency of TCBHS.

We went through the power point that describes the background and current situation of TBS. We then asked the attendees to review the four questions outlined in the forum instructions from the Nine Point Plan.

1. Question: Are the children and youth in the county who are Emily Q class members and who would benefit from TBS, getting TBS?  
Answer: No one could think of any children from this class who presently need TBS. Since 2003, 3 or 4 families have been offered this service and accepted it, and 3 or 4 families have been offered the service but declined to participate.
2. Question: Are the children and youth who get TBS experiencing the intended benefits?  
Answer: There are no TBS Services being offered at this time in county.
3. Question: What alternatives are being provided in the county?  
Answer: There are range of alternative activities: Parenting Program; Link Center; Drug Court; Outpatient and family therapy involvement; Informal wrap around with family members, teachers, business owners.
4. Question: What can be done to improve the use of TBS and/or alternative behavioral support services in the county?  
Answer: Research Family Foster Agencies and invite one to come to Weaverville and begin business in Trinity County with the support of Health and Human Services and Behavioral Health. TCBHS will need to contract with that agency to provide Medi-Cal services in the home, particularly TBS. A specific agency that has been used by other counties is Remi Vista. Although a "Christian"

Agency, that has not had impacted on their service in any kind of noticeable manner. There is a supervisor named Robert Hughes @ 530 926 1146 who we might consider calling.

In this manner, when the county has a need for TBS Services in the future, we will be prepared with the resources to assist youth in need.