

**Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Performance Review Report
Ventura County Program Review
September 26-28, 2023**

FINDINGS

Finding #1: Ventura County did not indicate the number of children, transition-aged youth (TAY), adults, and older adults to be served, and did not provide the cost per person for Community Services and Supports (CSS), Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI), and Innovations (INN), in the Fiscal Year (FY) 2022-23 Annual Update (Update). (Welfare and Institutions Code section 5847(e); California Code of Regulations Title 9, sections 3755(k) and 3755(o)(8)).

Recommendation #1: The County must indicate the number of children, TAY, adults, and older adults to be served, and indicate the cost per person for CSS, PEI, and INN for each subsequent adopted Three-Year Plan and Expenditure Report (Plan) and Update thereafter.

Finding #2: Ventura County did not provide an estimate of the number of clients, in each age group, to be served in the Full-Service Partnership (FSP) category for each fiscal year of the FY 2020-23 Plan. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 3650(a)(3).)

Recommendation #2: The County must provide an estimate of the number of clients, in each age group, to be served in the FSP service category for each fiscal year in each subsequent adopted Plan thereafter.

Finding #3: Ventura County did not specify the methods and activities to be used to change attitudes, knowledge, and/or behavior regarding being diagnosed with mental illness, having mental illness and/or seeking mental health services for each Stigma and Discrimination Reduction Program in the adopted FY 2020-23 Plan and FY 2022-23 Update. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 3755(f)(3).)

Recommendation #3: The County must specify the methods and activities to be used to change attitudes, knowledge, and/or behavior regarding being diagnosed with mental illness, having mental illness and/or seeking mental health services for each Stigma and Discrimination Reduction Program in each subsequent adopted Plan and Update thereafter.

Finding #4: Ventura County's adopted FY 2020-23 Plan and FY 2022-23 Update did not include a work detail for each Workforce, Education, and Training (WET) program/activity that includes:

- The title of the program and/or activity
- A description of the program and/or activity
- The objectives of the program and/or activity

Specifically, program objectives in the narrative description found within the Plan and Update were unclear. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 3820(a).)

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Recommendation #4: The County must include a work detail for each WET program/activity that includes: the title of the program and/or activity, a description of the program and/or activity, the objectives of the program and/or activity in each subsequent adopted Plan and Update thereafter.