

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Performance Review Report
Trinity County Program Review
August 08, 2024

FINDINGS

Finding #1:

Trinity County did not include the summary and analysis of substantive written recommendations for revisions received during the 30-day comment period in the adopted Fiscal Year (FY) 2020-23 Three-Year Program and Expenditure Plan (Plan) the adopted FY 2022-23 Annual Update (Update). (Welfare and Institution Code (W&I Code) section 5848(b)).

Recommendation #1:

The County must summarize and analyze the recommended revisions and must include any substantive written recommendations for revisions received during the 30-day comment period, in each subsequent adopted Plan and adopted Update thereafter. If no recommendations for revisions received, identify no recommendations received.

Finding #2:

Trinity County did not include documentation of achievement in performance outcomes for Community Services and Support (CSS), Prevention, and Early Intervention (PEI) and Innovation (INN) programs in the adopted FY 2020-23 Plan and the adopted FY 2022-23 Update. (County Performance Contract (6.)(A.)(5)(d.)); (W&I Code § 5848(c)).

Recommendation #2:

The County must include documentation of achievement in performance outcomes for CSS, PEI, and INN programs in each subsequent adopted Plan and Update thereafter.

Finding #3:

Trinity County did not include a narrative analysis of the mental health needs of unserved, underserved, inappropriately served, and fully served county residents who qualify for MHSA services in the adopted FY 2020-23 Plan. (California Code of Regulations (Cal. Code Regs.), tit. 9, § 3650(a)(1)(A)).

Recommendation #3:

The County must include a narrative analysis of the mental health needs of unserved, underserved, inappropriately served, and fully served county residents who qualify for MHSA services, for each subsequent adopted Plan thereafter.

Finding #3a.:

Trinity County did not identify the number of children, transitional age youth (TAY), adult, and older adults by gender, race/ethnicity, and primary language in the narrative analysis of the adopted FY 2020-23 Plan (see Finding #3 above). (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 3650(a)(1)(A)).

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Recommendation #3a.

The County must include identification on the number of children, TAY, adult, and older adults by gender, race/ethnicity, and primary language in each subsequent adopted Plan thereafter.

Finding #4:

Trinity did not include an assessment of the counties capacity to implement mental health programs and services in the adopted FY 2020-23 Plan. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 3650(a)(5)).

Recommendation #4:

The County must include an assessment of its capacity to implement mental health programs and services in each subsequent adopted Plan thereafter. The assessment shall include:

- a. The strengths and limitations of the County and service providers that impact their ability to meet the needs of racially and ethnically diverse populations.
- b. The evaluation should include an assessment of bilingual proficiency in threshold languages.
- c. Percentages of diverse cultural, racial/ethnic, and linguistic groups represented among direct service providers, as compared to percentage of the total population needing services and the total population being served.
- d. Identification of possible barriers to implementing the proposed programs/services and methods of addressing these barriers.

Finding #5:

Trinity 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 adopted FY 2020-23 Plan. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 3650(a)(3)).

Recommendation #5:

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

Finding #6:

Trinity did not indicate the number of children, TAY, adults, and older adults to be served, and did not provide the cost per person for CSS or PEI in the adopted FY 2020-23 Plan and adopted FY 2022-23 Annual Update. (W&I Code section 5847(e)).

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Recommendation #6:

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, in each subsequent adopted Plan and Update thereafter.

Finding #7:

Trinity County did not have at least one of each PEI program in the PEI component of the adopted FY 2020-23 Plan and adopted FY 2022-23 Update. Specifically, there was no Access and Linkage to Treatment Program. (W&I Code section 5840; Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, §§ 3705(a), 3705 (b)(1), 3755).

Recommendation # 7:

The County must have at least one of each PEI program type in the PEI component in each subsequent adopted Plan and Update thereafter:

- Early Intervention Program
- Outreach for Increasing Recognition of Early Signs of Mental Illness Program
- Prevention Program
- Stigma and Discrimination Reduction Program
- Access and Linkage to Treatment Program
- Suicide Prevention Program (optional)

A county may opt out and/or combine/integrate programs if all the requirements to do so are met.

Finding # 8:

Trinity County did not submit the FY 2020-23 adopted Update within 30 days after adoption. (W&I Code Section 5847(a)).

Recommendation #8:

The County must submit the adopted Update within 30 days after adoption in each subsequent adopted Plan thereafter.