

Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Performance Review Report
Kern County Program Review
December 18, 2024
FINDINGS

Finding #1: Kern County did not summarize and analyze the recommended revisions received during the 30-day public comment period for Fiscal Year (FY) 2023-24 in the adopted FY 2023-26 Three-Year Plan (Plan). ((Welfare and Institution Code (W&I Code) section 5848(b); California Code of Regulations (Cal. Code Regs.), title 9, section 3315(a)(3)).

Recommendation #1: The County must provide evidence of compliance for FY 2023-24 by providing a summary and analysis of the recommended revisions received during the 30-day public comment period.

Finding #2: Kern County did not include any substantive written recommendations for revisions received during the 30-day comment period in the adopted FY 2023-26 Plan. (W&I Code section 5848(b)).

Recommendation #2: The County must provide evidence of compliance with a description of any substantive changes made to any MHSA programs and/or services for FY 2023-24.

Finding #3: Kern 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 service in the adopted FY 2023-26 Plan. (Cal. Code Regs., tit. 9, § 3650(a)(1)(A)).

Recommendation #3: The County must provide evidence of compliance by providing a narrative analysis of the mental health needs of unserved, underserved/ inappropriately served, and fully served County residents who qualify for MHSA services in FY 2023-24.