

MARIN COUNTY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES
MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT
3 -YEAR PLANNING PROCESS

Phase I

The following is a draft framework for a planning process for the fiscal years 2017/18 to 2019/20 designed to encourage participatory input and involvement from stakeholders, including consumers and family members, mental health service providers and other interested community members:

- **Increase Consumer and Family Member Involvement**

In order to ensure meaningful consumer participation in the MHSA Community Planning Process the following members of the MHSA Advisory Committee were interviewed, Kerry Peirson, Maya Gladstern, Barbara Coley, Brian Slattery and Gail Theller. The Focus of the interviews served the purpose of: Understanding the historical context of the Consumer Movement in Marin County, the present organizational structure and to solicit input into how to increase consumer involvement in the MHSA planning process. Ideas for increasing consumer input were also sought from the Cultural Competence Committee. Recommendations include; holding a series of meetings at the Enterprise Resource Center, training for consumers and family members to ensure they understand the MHSA Planning Process, outreach to ensure consumer and family members are included.

- **Identify Areas of Focus for the inclusion in the upcoming planning process**

The following are a list of areas of focus, which address health equity issues and advancement of clinical practice.

- **Latinos**
- **LGBTQ**
- **Older Adults**
- **Vietnamese**
- **School Aged Youth**
- **Early Intervention in Psychosis**
- **Suicide Prevention**

For each of these areas of focus, several methods will be utilized which may include, literature review, existing data review, key informant interviews, focus groups, written or on-line surveys, MHSA Advisory Committee input, MHB input.

- **Conduct Project Launch Meetings**

Key stakeholder groups will be informed regarding the upcoming planning process and timeline and opportunities to provide input.

LGBTQ: Input was solicited from MHSA Advisory Committee Members to identify areas of concern for health equity in the LGBTQ Community. Several recommendations, which are outlined in the MHSA Advisory Committee Input Interview, are attached.

Announcement at the Marin School/Law Enforcement meeting, asking for the assistance of Vice Principals and Gay Straight Alliance Faculty Advisor to support the effort to reach out to GSA's to gather information on LGBTQ youth in Marin County. A flier to solicit input from the GSA students was developed. A literature review will be conducted to identify risk factors in the LGBTQ Community.

Latino: A Key Informant Interview was conducted with Marisol Munoz-Kiehne. Sources for document review are being gathered.

Phase II

- **Develop outreach and event materials**
- **Conduct Key Informant Interviews**
- **Summarize results of literature review, key informant interviews, existing data and surveys**
- **Begin Focus Groups**
- **Schedule Community Forums**
- **Monthly report of activities to MHSA Advisory Committee**

Phase III

- **Complete Focus Groups**
- **Conduct Community Forums**
- **Recommend refinements for existing services**
- **Recommendations for new services**

Phase IV

- **Summarize Input and Report Results**
- **Input process to recommend priorities for funding BHRS, MHSA, MHAB**

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