

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES – DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH
 SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION AND CONTROL
 HEALTH CARE REFORM READINESS PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION INITIATIVE

SUMMARY OF WORK GROUP MEETING

Group: COMMUNITY EDUCATION /SERVICE SYSTEM CAPACITY BUILDING /WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

Meeting Date: MARCH 11, 2011

In Attendance: Agency participants - Jerome Marshall, AADHP; S.J. Worthington, ADC; Moses Iyi Ihevba, American Drug Recovery Program; Denise Shook, Behavioral Health Services (BHS); Matthew Velasquez, BWNI; Lorena Bautistac, LA County, Chief Executive Office (CEO); James R. Yeager, COD Peer Advocate; Selma McPhersm, COD Peer Advocate; Marcel Allen, Dare U to Care; Samuel Meade, Dare U to Care; Ali Dritta, LA County, Department of Mental Health (DMH); Pamela Pagan, LA County Outpatient; Ray Vincent, Los Angeles County Office of Education (LACOE) / AOD; Dan George, Matrix Institute; Cheryl Ruedi, National Council on Alcoholism and Drug Dependence of East San Gabriel and Pomona Valleys, Inc. (NCADD, SGV); Jamie Holes, NCADD- Pomona; Dolores Carleigh, NCADD-South Bay; Karen Marder, NCADD-SFV; Reve Casadawg, Palm House; Ruben Rodriguez, Pueblo y Salud, Inc.; Dwayne Clements, Rio Hondo Wellness; Carlos Lazo, St. Anne’s (01); and Grace M. Kim, UCLA ISAP .

SAPC Staff – Dorothy de Leon; Tony Hill; Susan Maki; Lydia Becerra; Joy Alumit and Marthell McElroy.

Co-leads from stakeholders - Cheryl Ruedi, NCA-SGV; Denise Shook-BHS

TOPIC OF DISCUSSION	DISCUSSION	TIMELINE	LEAD	ACTION NEEDED
Service System Capacity Building	Los Angeles County should provide technical assistance (TA) in assisting relationships and partnerships with other agencies; creating MOUs; creating healthcare/benefit packages			
Service System Capacity Building	Partnership with other entities			
Service System Capacity Building	Continuum of Care – develop regional or provider networks			

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Service System Capacity Building	How does Prevention Services fit into HCR?			
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Service System Capacity Building	Financial – agencies should develop a diversified pay structure.			
Service System Capacity Building	Establish a Provider Report Card			
Community Education	Greater consumer involvement and satisfaction			
Community Education	Educating special populations (e.g., the elderly) in accessing the health care system			
Workforce Development	The agency should have an Information Technology (IT) department or person for the creation of a billing system that addresses confidentiality of electronic health records (EHR)			
Workforce Development	Agency will need to identify under HCR levels of staffing for billing codes.			
Workforce Development	Accreditation and Credentials. Agency should identify licensed staff and certified counselors.			
	Not discussed but recommended: Agencies should consider taking an HCR Readiness Survey to assess their current capabilities and to plan for the changes that will be mandated.			
Work Group Meetings	Every 2 nd Wednesday of the month in Alhambra; next meeting is on April 13.			

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