

DCFS All Managers Child Welfare Mental Health Services Update May 2, 2012

Advisory Panel – Important Dates & Planning

Current: Panel's Report currently being finalized for submission to Federal Court.

June 20 – 21: Panel Retreat: 6/20/12 draft agenda is to review MH services & data for D-rate & FFA children; complete one IHBS case review with a provider outside of Wraparound; & review TFC/QSR findings. 6/21/12 draft agenda is to complete a Wrap/QSR Grand Rounds for the 6 cases reviewed at other offices & finalize the Wrap/QSR plan for July;

July 23 – 24 and July 25 – 26: 14 Wrap Tier II cases will be reviewed using the QSR tool/process plus additional questions developed at the last retreat. QSR staff and 2 Panel members will act as lead reviewers. Shadow reviewers to be determined. Another 6 cases are being reviewed as part of the sample of the Metro North, WLA, and Torrance QSRs. Plan is to review a sample of 20 Wrap Tier II cases from 15 – 19 different regional offices & 20 different Wrap providers;

July 27: Wrap Tier II QSR Grand Rounds for 14 cases.

Chief Executive Office

Effective 6/1/12, CEO will no longer act in a coordinating role for Katie A. DCFS will assume lead responsibility.

Board – Related

Monthly Screening Board Memos will be submitted on a tri-annual basis after April's memo, although the reports will still be created & posted to the Katie A. websites;

Katie A. Semi-Annual Reports will be suspended after the June Report is submitted;

Board Deputy Briefings on Katie A. will be completed on a quarterly basis.

State Case

April 23: Filing for Special Master Report;

April 30: Court hearing to review Special Master Report;

June 15: Special Master to provide draft of report for review;

June 29: Filing for Implementation Plan & Special Master recommendations;

August: Anticipated release of Draft CPM Guide & Medi-Cal Documentation Manual;

September: Anticipated release of Final CPM Guide & Documentation Manual.

Automated Mental Health Service Alerts for CSWs and SCSWs

Process established & in place for CSWs & SCSWs to receive automated e-mail alerts containing mental health service information for children on their caseload.

DMH/DCFS Field Response Operations (FRO) Expedited Response Process (ERP)

FRO ERP pilot currently underway 1/1/12 – 6/30/12;

Pilot success will be measured by implementation of automated data system, various process indicators related to # and type of response & CSW surveys.

January: 52% of joint responses were in person & 94% of CSWs surveyed were satisfied with the protocol. In February, 76% of joint responses were in person & 92% of CSWs surveyed were satisfied with the protocol.

Suicide Prevention Training

67 AM & PM sessions scheduled from March 2012 - June 2013 at 18 regional offices & ERCP.

As of 4/26/12, 215 DCFS staff trained at 2 sessions in Children's Court & 4 sessions at the Pasadena office. 458 DCFS staff are currently enrolled for upcoming trainings scheduled for West LA on 05/03/12 and Glendora on 05/10/12. 2 additional make-up training sessions are scheduled on 08/28/12 at the California Endowment Center. Current enrollment numbers are low for the remaining sessions.

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Medical Hubs

Goal: 100% newly detained children to be referred & receive a Hub initial exam;

As of April 29, 2012: From July 2011 – March 2012, an estimated 82% of newly detained children were referred for a Hub initial exam & 80% received a Hub initial exam.

Multidisciplinary Assessment Treatment (MAT) program

Goal: 100% newly detained, MAT-eligible children to be referred for a MAT assessment;

Feb 2012: 99% newly detained, MAT-eligible children referred for a MAT assessment.

Coordinated Services Action Team (CSAT)/Referral Tracking System (RTS)

Goal: 100% of children in newly open & existing DCFS cases will receive a mental health screening, & for those screening positive, referral & service linkage within required timeframes.

As of 3/13/12, the Countywide cumulative averages from each office's date of CSAT implementation to 1/31/12 was:

98.16 percent of children screened for mental health needs;

97.93 percent of children with positive screens referred to mental health services;

97.35 percent of children began receiving mental health service activities;

Completion of the Mental Health Screening Tool for routine cases reduced from 22 days prior to CSAT redesign to 12 days on average from case opening or case plan due date; and

Number of days from case opening or case plan due date to start of mental health service activities was reduced from 33 days prior to CSAT redesign to 19 days on average.

Resource Management Process (RMP) Team-Decision Making (TDM) Meeting

In March 2012, the DCFS Director released a staff memo mandating Director or Chief Deputy Director approval for any child age 0-12 years to be placed in a Group Home (GH).

Goal: 100% of children entering, replaced, or exiting a GH to have a RMP TDM Meeting & no child 0-12 placed in a GH

Dec 2011: a RMP occurred in 59% GH entries, 72% GH replacements, & 60% GH exits;

Jan, Feb, March 2012: 179 (Jan), 177 (Feb), children 0-12 placed in GH in

Treatment Foster Care (TFC)

Goal: 300 certified beds & 300 children placed;

March 30, 2012: 106 certified homes (85 without inactive or respite only) & 65 children currently placed.

Wraparound

Goal: Fill 1400 Tier I slots & 2,800 Tier II slots (total of 4,200) by FY 2013-2014;

Feb 2012: 1,020 Tier I & 1,211 Tier II slots currently filled.

Implementation of the Core Practice Model (CPM) Training & Coaching

Implementation of "in-depth" coaching has started in Pomona's office.

Quality Service Review (QSR)

Next Continuing Services QSR will occur in Torrance on May 14-22, 2012. Mark your calendars!

For additional information, please visit the internal Katie A. Website on LA Kids or the external site at www.lacdcfs.org/aboutus/index.html