

DCFS Child Welfare Mental Health Services (CWMHS) Division Update All Managers – March 9, 2011

Panel Retreat

- Next Retreat occurs all day March 23 – 24, 2011. Primary focus will be on QSR, CPM, Training, Coaching & Mentoring, & Data.

State Case

- Matter continued to 3/11/11 in hopes of a Settlement Agreement.

Psychiatric Mobile Response Team (PMRT) Expedited Response Pilot (ERP) & Exodus Urgent Care Center

- ERP & Exodus Workgroups are forming to address development of policy/procedures, training, tracking system, & outcome measures.
- ERP Workgroup will occur every 2nd & 4th Tues, 10am – 12pm at DMH (**Action Item**: Need representative(s) from Hotline, Policy, Training, & Regional Management).
- Exodus Workgroup will occur every 3rd Tues, 3 – 4:30 pm at DCFS (**Action Item**: Need representative(s) from Command Post, Policy, Training & Regional Management).
- Presentations at General Staff Meeting and/or other Training/Informational Presentations should be coordinated through the Workgroups.

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

- **Goal**: 100% of children in open cases in CSAT offices will receive MH screening, referral, & service linkage within 1 day of case opening for new cases, of the case plan update for existing cases, & the annual due date for previously screened cases.
- **Dec 2010**: Screening rate stayed at 95%, referral rate up at 98%, & access rate at 92% (down from 98%). Annual Screening Rate was 68% (significantly improved from 42%). Time from case opening/case plan due date to screening significantly improved - went from 22 days (Oct), down to 15 days (Nov), down to 12 days (Dec).
- **Quality Improvement**: Increased focus on timely identification of and response to children with urgent MH needs & CWS/CMS documentation of response/services. CWMHS Division Managers will automatically attach the following documents to CWS: DMH Updates; Psych Discharge Teleconferences; & PMAs. Important for CSWs to document “teaming” conversations. 50 Kid CSAT Case Review to be discussed/coordinated at next CSAT Workgroup.

Medical Hubs

- **Goal**: 100% newly detained children to receive a Hub initial exam.
- **Dec 2010**: an estimated 73% newly detained received a Hub initial exam (**Up** from 67% in Nov).

Multidisciplinary Assessment Treatment (MAT) program

- **Goal**: 100% newly detained, MAT-eligible children to be referred for MAT assessment.
- **Dec 2010**: 90% newly detained referred (Highest month yet!) .
- Very important for CSWs/SCSWs to attend MAT SOF Meetings, to integrate MAT Findings into to the Court Report/Case Plan, & to send MAT SOF Reports to Court.

Consent & Release of Information

- Revisions to DCFS 179-MH (Parental Consent for Child's MH/RC Developmental Assessment and Participation in MH Services) revised to improve the referral process to Regional Center.
- Joint presentation between CLC & County Counsels for DMH & DCFS on Consent & Release of Information being prepared.

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Resource Management Process (RMP)

- Goal: At least 80% of children entering, replaced, or exiting a Group Home (GH) to have a RMP.
- Nov 2010: 44% GH entries, 43% GH replacements, & 36% GH exits (**Action Item**: Significantly down - needs immediate attention).

Wraparound

- Goal: Fill 1400 Tier I slots (point-in-time) & 1400 Tier II slots (cumulative) by Dec 2010.
- Jan 2010: 1,015 Tier I (up slightly from previous month) & 1,592 Tier II children enrolled (up from previous month).

Treatment Foster Care (TFC)

- Goal: 300 certified beds and 300 children placed.
- March 1, 2011: 51 children placed & 11 vacancies (trending up).

Training

- Enhanced Skill Based Training & Coaching for SCSWs continues roll-out – important for office admin to ensure CSWs & SCSWs register as needed.

Quality Services Review (QSR)

- Wateridge QSR occurring next week, 3/14/11-3/18/11.
- EC, RAs, ARAs, & other interested staff should attend the Sum-Up on Friday, 3/18/11, 9am-11:30 am at the Wateridge Office, 3rd floor conference rooms A & B combined.

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