

DCFS Child Welfare Mental Health Services (CWMHS) Division Update

Executive Operations – August 17, 2011

Panel Retreat

- Next Panel Retreat is set for 9/15/11 & 9/16/11.
- 9/15/11 topics will include TFC, Group Home Census, QSR Lessons Learned, CPM & coaching/teaming discussions.
- 9/16/11 topics will include Bruce Chorpita Child Steps Update, Exit Outcome Data Update, & State Case Settlement Update & discussion of areas that will provide greater support & clarity for LA County.

State Case

- Proposed Settlement Agreement filed with & pending ruling from the Federal Court.

Board – Related

- A series of Katie A. presentations are being planned for the Board Deputies on 1) QSR; 2) TFC; 3) CPM; 4) Exit Conditions.

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

- DCFS positions (2 CSWs/1 ITC for Hotline; 1 CSA I for CWMHS) in process of being filled.
- ERP Workgroup occurs every 2nd Tues, 10am – 12pm at DMH & Exodus Workgroup occurs every 3rd Tues, 3-4:30 pm
- July 2011: 13 joint PMRT/DCFS responses coordinated; 30 youth admitted to Exodus; 10 overstays (significant drop in comparison to all previous months)

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

- Implementation: Countywide implementation completed! All offices are up on CSAT as of 8/1/2011!
- 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, within the timeframe of the case plan update for existing cases, & for previously screened/negative cases at the annual review date.
- April 2011:
 - 96.48 % of children screened for mental health needs;
 - 96.42 % of children referred to mental health services;
 - 94.16 % 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 11 days on average from case opening or the case plan due date; and
 - Number of days from case plan opening or case plan due date to start of mental health service activities reduced from 33 days prior to CSAT redesign to 17 days on average.

Multidisciplinary Assessment Treatment (MAT) program

- Goal: 100% newly detained, MAT-eligible children to be referred for MAT assessment.
- May 2011: 77% newly detained, MAT-eligible children referred (Significantly down still due to capacity issues in SPA 1, correct?).

Resource Management Process (RMP)

- Goal: At least 80% of children entering, replaced, or exiting a Group Home (GH) to have a RMP.
- May 2011: pending

Wraparound

- Goal: Fill 1400 Tier I slots (point-in-time) & 1,775 Tier II slots (cumulative) by May 2011 or 75 new children enrolled each month.

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- May 2011: 1,034 Tier I (up slightly from previous month) & 2,154 Tier II children enrolled (continuing to exceed goal).

Treatment Foster Care (TFC)

- Goal: 300 certified beds and 300 children placed.
- May 3, 2011: 58 children placed (trending up slightly).

Core Practice Model/Training/Coaching

- Core Practice Model Implementation Leadership Team formed with Katie A. Project Leadership providing project management for large group of representatives from DCFS & DMH. Group is meeting every 2-3 weeks – Need to bring in reps from Probation, Public Health, Health, Social Services, & Child Support. Katie A. Executive Leadership Group will serve as the ultimate decision-makers.
- Matrix compiled on Values/Principles, Domains of Practice, Core Competencies & Outcomes as delineated in Shared Child Welfare/Mental Health CPM, CAPP, Cross-Over Youth Practice Model; QSR, & Strengthening Families. Significant convergence exists between all models or programs.
- A high-level document (similar to LA County Vision) delineating our shared Vision & Practice Principles, along with a support letter from the Directors of DCFS, DMH, Probation, DHS & DPH, will be produced in the next month.
- To follow, document(s) will be produced delineating the Domains of Practice, Core Competencies, & Outcomes as needed.

Quality Service Review (QSR)

- Quality Service Review at the Glendora Office is currently taking place the week of August 22nd through Friday, August 26th. All managers & staff are encouraged to attend the Sum-It-Up Session on Friday, August 26, 2011 from 10:00 am – 12 noon. The QI team is excited be working with Rex White & his admin team. They will also be joined by delegates from the State of Utah who will be assisting with the Review Certification Process.

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