



Draft Meeting Notes

CMHDA Ethnic Services Committee: Conference Call

Thursday, March 17, 2011 (12pm – 1pm)

Call-In #: *Distributed Via Email*

1) Welcome and Introductions

Regional chairs noted that they use the minutes and they are valuable. CMHDA staff noted that now that administrative staff has been secured we can return to generating minutes but all future minutes to be brief and streamlined.

2) Report / Issues from Regional Chairs

- a) The Central Region met and identified priority materials for translation for the OMS-DMH staff
- b) The Bay Area Region is busy working on getting the Bay Area CC Summit off the ground and want all area counties to participate. CC Summit June 27-28 with a focus on learning about the status of the Strategic Planning Workgroups of the CA Reducing Disparities Project. A more specific update/ status report will be provided on the next regional chairs call.
- c) Superior and Southern regions not in attendance.

3) CiMH Report

- a) No new updates on FSP Cultural Relevance Toolkit
- b) Looking for Cultural Competency Experts for the CalMHSA Review Team for the Statewide Projects
- c) There is a wide variety of projects underway at CiMH and within the Center for Multicultural Development (CMD). It would be useful at an up-coming ESC committee in-person meeting walk through the website and show ESMs/CCMs what information can be accessed on the website. The website is currently being updated and revamped to be more user-friendly. Once that is complete we could showcase at a meeting.
- d) CBO Training: Capacity Building is still underway
- e) Working with NAMI-CA "In Our Own Voices" for the Latino communities
- f) Looking to build a clearinghouse for best practices in CC

4) DMH Report -

- a) Discussed the impact of MHSA State Administrative Cap reduction from up to 5% to up to 3.5%. There is not a lot of clarity yet on the finer details but the contracts for the MHSA CA Reducing Disparities Project are protected for FY 11/12.
- b) Next Steps on Scoring Tool and Review Process regarding CCPR
 - i) Small County Process – Working on modifying the tool and recruiting small county reviewers
- c) Reporting the status of MHSA Reducing Disparities Project – and MHSA Multicultural Coalition Kick-Off Meeting March 28th
- d) Feedback on Translation Contract – Is this still needed?
- e) SAMHSA's Reducing Disparities Conference – Currently submitted application and it will be in May in San Diego. There will be more information to share on our next call. Submitted Application with several state department/agencies representatives such as OMS-DMH, ADP, DSS, MHSOAC and Counties Association like CMHDA, CiMH and CADPAC as well as the 7 Reducing Disparities Contractors

5) CMHDA Report

- a) Discussed the Bay Area CC Summit – June 27 & 28 in San Jose and how to have our committee meeting in conjunction with the summit. It probably makes the most sense to meet on 1st day for at lunch or late afternoon before the evening activities begin.



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b) Budget Update/ Breaking News/ Next Steps

- The Budget Principles Document from Feb 2010 to be revised and adopted on March 28 (SJAC). Revise by April 13.

Reminder: Next Conference Call

Thursday, April 21, 2011

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