

**California Mental Health Directors Association (CMHDA)
Older Adult System of Care Committee
Conference Call**

M E E T I N G R E P O R T

Date & Time: January 13, 2011, 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm

Attendees: Heather Anders, *CMHDA*; Helene Barney, *Humboldt*; Lin Benjamin, *CDA*; Gayle Blanc, *Calaveras*; Cesar Court, *Contra Costa*; Jennifer Clancy, *CIMH*; Kevin Furey, *ADP*; Rosalind Garner, *Sacramento*; Bruce Gurganus, *Marin*; Eleni Hailemariam, *Orange*; Cynthia Jackson, *Center for Aging Resources/Heritage Clinic and CCCMHA*; Patty Lyons, *Marin*; Joe Sebastian, *Riverside*; Kevin Tsang, *Los Angeles*; April Waldo, *Sierra*

Topics of General Discussion:

- Report on November OASOC Meeting and C4A OASOC Conference
 - Lin Benjamin reported that the Archstone Foundation gave a presentation at the meeting and also the Jewish Family Services of Los Angeles gave a presentation.
 - There can be more discussion of the presentations at the February OASOC Meeting.

- Update on CalMHSA
 - It was noted that there is a lot of information on the CalMHSA website.
 - There are three areas of focus for the statewide projects and they include suicide prevention, anti-stigma and anti-discrimination, and student mental health.
 - It was noted that CalMHSA is looking for subject matter experts involved in developing the RFP for suicide prevention.
 - About 30 counties have joined the JPA which accounts for about 87% of the state's population.

- Regional Reports and County MHSA Updates, Budget News
 - Bay
 - It was noted that they have done some outreach to connect with other bay area coordinators.
 - Los Angeles
 - They are working with a couple of senior centers on co-locating services and they will keep the committee posted on the progress.
 - They are also planning a two part training on mental illness and co-occurring disorders. February 9th is the first event and they are also working on CME credits for this.
 - Orange
 - It was noted that their local older adult committee is getting strong.
 - It was also suggested that the southern region OASOC should meet again.
 - Calaveras
 - It was noted that they are doing a senior peer counseling training program.
 - Sacramento
 - They are rolling out Senior Link which will serve older depressed adults and the program will connect people to healthcare and benefits.
 - On October 20th is the older adult conference in Sacramento and it will focus on money issues and elder financial abuse.
 - Discussion of the CMHDA OASOC Committee's sponsorship of the Sacramento conference can take place at the February meeting.

- CMHDA Report
 - Update on the Inter-Rater Reliability Study for MORS
 - It was noted that Dave Pilon developed the MORS tool but he needs to do the Inter-Rater Reliability Study before the tool can be widely used.
 - Dense Hunt brought this to the CMHDA Governing Board in December. The All Directors also voted saying that this was a worthy project. The vote did not commit any county to the project, but counties can do this if they choose.
 - This project needs a lead agency and maybe MHA-L.A. and an academic institution can lead this project.
 - L.A. County is very interested in this project and they are looking at themselves as a participating county. It was noted that this is not a project that L.A. County can take on alone. Hopefully between now and the next meeting we may get more counties interested.
 - Heather Anders could poll the counties to see which counties would be interested in participating in this project.
 - Kevin Tsang will see what L.A. County can commit to the project.
- Association/Agency Reports
 - CDA
 - It was reported that the MHSOAC invited CDA to report on the review of the PEI plans. Denise Hunt will present on her county's projects on January 27th.
 - CCCMHA and ADP
 - Both agency and department noted that they are watching the budget very carefully.
- Update on WET Issue Paper
 - Heather Anders will ask Sabine Whipple to attend each month's meetings and calls to report out on the geriatric mental health course development.
 - Patty Lyons reported that there is a geriatric training certificate through Boston University (and this is done through Marin County's Area Agency on Aging).
- Committee Housekeeping Business and Plan February's Meeting Agenda
 - The next CMHDA OASOC Committee Meeting is February 24, 2011, 10:00 am – 3:00 pm at CMHDA.
 - Agenda for February's meeting:
 - Discuss Presentations at November OASOC Meeting in L.A.
 - Discuss CMHDA OASOC Comm. Sponsorship of the Oct. 20th Sacramento OASOC Conference
 - Discuss MORS Project
 - WET Issue Paper Update
 - Geriatric Mental Health Certificate Program
 - Small County Project
 - CalMHSA Update
 - Report from the CMHDA Governing Board and All Directors Meetings
 - Committee Business
 - County Reports

List of Recommendations/Decisions/Motions:

- Minutes from the October 28, 2010 conference call were reviewed and approved.

Task List:

- Heather Anders could poll the counties to see which counties would be interested in participating in this project.
- Kevin Tsang will see what L.A. County can commit to the MORS project.

- Heather Anders will ask Sabine Whipple to attend each month's meetings and calls to report out on the geriatric mental health course development.

The next Committee Meeting for the Older Adult System of Care Committee will be held:

February 24, 2011

10:00 am – 3:00 pm

**At CMHDA
2125 19th Street, Second Floor
Sacramento, CA 95818**

In the Sequoia Conference Center

Conference Line Information Will Be Available Via E-mail.