

Local Coordinating Committee (LCC)

Minutes

Thursday, July 9, 2009 3:00 p.m.

Location: ICOE Boardroom

Anna Contreras/ICBHS A&D	Kelley Sanchez/DSS-CPS
Annabelle Alvarez/Central FRC	Hortencia Armenariz/Calexico FRC
Caren Slaughter/Central FRC	Rita Duarte/Brawley FRC
Goretti Castillo/March of Dimes	Mary Morris/FACT
Charlie Cruz/DSS	Yolanda Bernal/ICPHD
Raul Navarro/IVROP	David Chairez/IVROP
Vivian Perez/ACS	Raquel Villa/ICBHS
Amanda Occhiuto/ICOE	Monica Urias/DSS

I. Welcome with Self Introductions

Amanda Occhiuto welcomed 16 attendees who introduced themselves and the agency represented.

Chair: Yolanda Bernal

II. Approval of April 9, 2009 Minutes

First: Vivian Perez

Second: Goretti Castillo

Motion: Passed

NEW BUSINESS:

II. Alcohol & Drug Prevention Taskforce and MHSA: Maria Wyatt

- » Presentation over the concept and purpose of the Alcohol Prevention Taskforce which is made up of several different prevention providing agencies.
 - 2007 the State required counties receiving prevention dollars to submit a plan for prevention services.
 - Goals are being restructured so that participating partners' goals are reflected in the goals submitted to the state. Included programs such as "Too Good for Drugs" administered in schools.
 - The State is also requiring that data be tracked on an online database which tracks prevention services provided county-wide, as well as outcomes.
 - Meet on a monthly basis, several different partners involved.
 - Working on a survey of services throughout the county through Survey Monkey to ensure no duplication of services and to focus on services in gap areas.
 - Amanda explained the difference between the new A&D Prevention Taskforce and the ISC as they both do focus on alcohol and drug prevention.
 - Maria handed out brochures which list services provided through Alcohol and Drug, number to contact her is 337-5088.
 - Maria clarified the reason for prevention and treatment services being provided at some schools and not others. She stated in order to provide treatment services at a school site, the school would have to undergo a certification to ensure the site is in compliance with regulations mandated by the State for Drug and Alcohol Treatment providers.
- » Update and overview of Mental Health Services Act programs through Alcohol and Drug provided by Ana Contreras and Maria Wyatt
 - Maria gave an outline or overview of the services added this year such as the Co-Occurring programs for Adults and Adolescents. She gave an outline of where the funds come from through Prop. 63 which was passed in 2004.

- Ana described the “whatever it takes” basis for the programs being provided through MHSA
 - 2 full service partnership programs under Ana Supervisions
 - Ward Access to Supports and Services (WAS) – Juvenile delinquents, wards of the court, etc. until 18 years of age
 - Transitional Age Youth (TAY) – for youth 16-25 yrs
 - Adolescent Dual Diagnosis –Effective July Service it became a full service partnership under MHSA
 - Full Service means “whatever it takes” to keep youth from re-entering the system
 - Ana mentioned A&D is looking for a parent partner to assist with the programs. The criteria is to have a parent who has a child who has been involved with probation or mental health
 - They currently have one peer supporter who has proven to be a successful addition to services provided. Will be looking for a male peer supporter.
 - These are paid positions through a stipend.
 - Hortencia mentioned she might have a parent who would be interested

IV. Membership Updates and Discussion

- Amanda asked that the group go through the list of members and update their information as it is passed around

V. 2007 “Wish list” revisited: Amanda Occhiuto

- » Lack of funding is a greater issue
- » Transportation is still a need
- » Youth summer programs are back thanks to stimulus funds
- » Meth users; lack of services is still an issue
 - Meth assessment is still in progress
 - Prop 36 funds have been cut, so this program will no longer be offered.
- » Large caseloads continue to be an issue as most agencies are short staffed
- » Calexico is getting “Assets” tutoring services
- » Family support groups or systems increasing through MHSA (for A&D clients only)
 - Functional Family Therapy
 - Nurturing Parenting through PEI
 - Plan approved July 8th
 - Services will be provided with partnership of ICOE-SWB
- » Employment opportunities continue to be an issue for adults and youth
- » More residents moving in and out of town because of economic issues
- » Counseling services are now being offered through Son Shine Counseling Center
 - Offers anger management and family counseling services
- » Need for Dental Services

VI. 2009 Interagency Conference Discussion

- » Sign up for Interagency Conference Planning Committee
- » Next meeting will be in early September
- » 13th Annual Event – looking to change the conference
- » Need for a date because CalWORKS is not available for November

OLD BUSINESS

VII. ISC Coordinator/LCC Chair Updates: Amanda Occhiuto

- » Drug Free Communities:
 - San Diego Coalition, CADFY held a Forces United Meeting in April
 - Campaign for schools, “Natural High”

- Grantee Meeting on April 13th
 - Focus on meth, alcohol and drugs, and prescription use/abuse
- COMET report included:
 - IVROP
 - Red Ribbon Week Activities
 - Tobacco and A&D presentations
 - Heber Youth Connection Activities
 - Counseling Activities
- STOP Grant Application details
- REMS Grant Application details
- Carryover funds were approved

VIII. FRC Coordinators

- » San Pasqual FRC – Alicia
 - Border Health Foundations-“Worth the Wait” abstinence program
 - Raul mentioned he would like to see the curriculum if possible
 - Job Corps Site visits with 3 high school students
- » Central FRC – Anabelle
 - Numbers low because its summer
 - Caren came to the FRC in March
 - Summer school in session
 - Thanks to DSS for staff
- » Calexico – Hortencia
 - Busy as usual
 - Missing Social Worker from DSS who has been out on disability
 - Cathie Gloria stated the Social Worker will be out for another 3 or 4 weeks, but she will be coming back
- » Niland FRC – Losing coordinator, but remaining open.
 - DSS will provide staff 3 days a week
 - Resources and referral will continue
- » Fact – Mary
 - Parent workshop on July 23rd – Readiness for School
 - Eligibility worker has been coming less to the center, referrals are down
- » IVROP – Raul
 - Parent Appreciation Dinner – 7-10-09
 - Eagles
 - Music
 - From 7 pm to 11pm
 - Small daycare for kids while parents enjoy night
- » World’s Largest Baby Shower – Goretta and Yolanda
 - Flyer will go out
- » Binational Health Week – Yolanda
 - October 10th Parent & Student Workshop
 - CalSAFE 10 am-12 pm
 - Alternative Education – Valley Community