

Bay Area Mental Health and Education
Workforce Collaborative

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Overview

- ✓ Mental Health Services Act (MHSA)
Education and Training Components
- ✓ The Greater Bay Area Mental Health and
Education Workforce Collaborative work
plan and achievements
- ✓ Future direction

MHSA Education and Training
Elements and Components

1. Develop a five year plan
2. Expand post secondary education capacity for mental
health occupational shortages.
3. Create stipends based on the Title IV-E program and
other subsidy based programs for students
4. Assess work force shortages
5. Establish regional partnerships between mental health
and education
6. Recruit high school students to mental health
occupations
7. Involve mental health consumers and family
members

Regional Partnerships in the MHSa

... "the establishment of regional partnerships among the mental health system and education system to expand outreach to multicultural communities, increase the diversity of the mental health workforce, to reduce stigma associated with mental illness, and to promote the use of web-based technologies, and distance learning techniques" (Section 8, part 3.1 of Division 5, d)

MHSa Funding for Workforce Development Statewide

- FY 04/05 \$114 million
- FY 05/06 \$ 68 million
- FY 06/07 \$ 69 million
- FY 07/08 \$ 73 million
- **TOTAL: \$324 million**

The Greater Bay Area Mental Health and Education Collaborative

The Collaborative brings together a diverse group from education and mental health with the common mission of developing a recovery-oriented, culturally and linguistically competent public mental health workforce in the Bay Area.

Education and Mental Health Partners

Education

- CSU East Bay
- Institute of Mental Health Wellness and Education
- Peralta Community College District
- Chabot-Las Positas Community College District
- Life Health and Bioscience Academy
- Saybrook Graduate School
- UC School of Social Welfare
- CalSWEC
- Oakland Unified School District
- CSUH Department of Social Work

Mental Health

- CA Mental Health Planning Council
- CA Institute of Mental Health
- San Mateo County
- Marin County
- City of Berkeley
- Alameda County
- Contra Costa County
- CA Association of Psychosocial Rehab Agencies
- Peers Engaging in Recovery Services
- San Francisco County
- Santa Clara County

More Partners...

- Zellerbach Family Foundation- *Ellen Walker*
- Consultant - *Robert Surber*
- Senator Perata's Office- *Marty Doyle*
- Senator Figueroa's Office- *Mary Jane Casper*
- State Dept. of Rehabilitation- *Theresa Woo*
- Alameda Co. Dept. of Social Services- *Rita Hayes*
- Culture to Culture Foundation- *Chia Chia Chien*

2004-2005 Collaborative Highlights

- Expanded membership
- Developed website: www.mhewc.org
- Sponsored 2 regional conferences on undergraduate and graduate level internships
- Developed promotional and graphic materials to share information about the Collaborative
- Supported development of the Workforce Exchange website (www.mhwee.org) by CSU East Bay Institute of Mental Health Wellness and Education

More Highlights...

- Promoted CASRA Psycho-social Rehabilitation curriculum
- Facilitated DMH/ DR COOP Trainings
- Continued development of Community College Human Services Certificate Programs
- Further development and dissemination of the Life High School Academy mental health program

More Highlights

- Gained membership in CalSWEC II and participated in committee work to revise MSW curriculum
- Contributed to development of the Training and Education component of the Mental Health Services Act
- Advocated for Medi-Cal regulatory change to provide recognition of the Certified Psychiatric Rehabilitation Practitioner as a QMHP/MH Rehabilitation Specialist

Potential State vs. Regional Efforts in the MHSA

- | State | Regional |
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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ DMH: Loan Forgiveness▪ DMH: 20/20 Programs▪ DMH: Regulatory change to support workforce development▪ CIMH: Training/Retraining staff, Evidence-based & Promising Practices, Technical Assistance▪ MH Planning Council: Research, Reports, Manuals/dissemination | <ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Expand pipeline strategies at Bay Area high schools and community colleges▪ Refine articulation agreements and internships at four year colleges▪ Improve curriculum and diversity in graduate level training and internships▪ Expand opportunities for consumer employment and professional development |

Collaborative Resources

- Allocate a percentage of funds from the MHSA Education and Training for regional efforts
- CSU East Bay Institute of Mental Health Wellness and Education
- Zellerbach Family Foundation Grants
- GBAMHD Funding and Staff Time
- Transfer project management to CIMH for improved oversight and coordination of statewide efforts

The Collaborative/GBAMHD Partnership

- Sponsorship through allocation of staff time and funds
- Volunteer Workforce contact from each county
- Commitment of MHSA planners to work with Collaborative on regional proposal

The Collaborative/GBAMHD Partnership

- Establish on-going collaborative work plan priorities
- Commitment to regional planning and funding that meets the mental health workforce needs of the Bay Area
- Continue to leverage county funds with “match” foundation funds for next fiscal year
