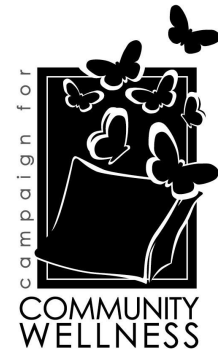


Campaign for Community Wellness

Strategy Team Meeting
Minutes 4/8/08



Attendees:

Cindy Brundage, Lynne Distler, Anno Nakai, Lynn Tarrant, Kathie Denton, Richard Knecht, Amy Ellis, Eldon Luce, Nancy Huntley, Mike Lombardo, David Brownstein, Nellie Chenowith, Richard Hill (for Connie Johnson), Patrick Bollinger (for Barbara Hopkins), and Cyndy Bigbee

Welcome-Introductions

Everyone introduced themselves and what program (s) they are a part of and to whom they provide services.

Overview of Campaign 2007

In 2007, the Campaign for Community Wellness efforts accomplished:

- 11 Steering Committee Meetings with increased participation from consumer and family, Latino, and Native American voices and the public attending due to publications in the newspapers.
- a newsletter that includes consumer participation that is sent quarterly
- website expansion
- family, consumer, youth, Native American, Latino voice in planning efforts
- getting council support
- System Transformation is expanding
- Cultural Competency Trainings
- overall services are expanding from Community Services and Support funds

Focus Area Updates

Lynn Tarrant-CSS was the first implementation step in MHSA; last year we received two other pots of money. Due to growth in MHSA at the state level, some of the money was passed on to counties; one pot of money was to help counties cope with the loss of AB2034 (\$700K). Placer is using the \$700k to provide more services to the homeless to include transitioning them to housing and back into the community; we will be creating 10 additional slots from new money for homeless people that need FSP services and we are also taking 10 slots from Older Adult to make it 20 additional slots for our homeless community in FSP. With the Expansion money counties are supposed to focus on voice for some of the money; we have used consumer Navigator positions throughout ASOC to carry the voice and still trying to figure out what this will look like for Tahoe. We have added a practitioner to Crisis Response, his name is Ken Jones and he has started a couple of family groups and we have hired a parent partner that is also helping with the family groups. A majority of the Expansion funds went toward a FSP

contract Placer has identified a contract from the RFP process. The new contractor will have 30 Forensic slots. Tahoe will be adding a case manager to add addition slots.

This committee agreed that one of the goals for 2008 should be to outreach to Nevada County to see what opportunities exist.

Nancy Huntley and David Brownstein-are in the process of implementing High Fidelity Wraparound services to families (implemented in 2007); a year ago RAFT had waiting lists, currently High Fidelity has no waiting list and currently carrying 12 caseloads in Auburn and 2 in Tahoe. High Fidelity is an Evidence Based Practice that speaks to Voice and Choice. An issue is their paperwork isn't translated in Spanish. For more information please refer to the RAFT document handed out at the meeting.

Lynne Distler-oversees the MHSA FSP to include TAY (level 1 & 2), Adult, and Older Adult (in May to be transitioned to Eldon Luce). Successfully placing and maintaining consumers in the lowest level of care; this team has reduced the number of consumers in long-term placement by 34% in 2007. For more information please refer to MHSA FSP-TAY, Adult, and Older Adult document.

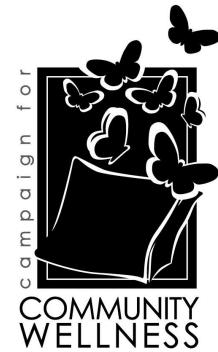
Eldon & Lynne-accomplished an Older Adult Needs Assessment distributed to 5,000 people with a 21% response, hopefully this will help us form a final plan as to what the Older Adults in our communities need/want.

Patrick Bollinger-hired by SFS Tahoe in December 2007 as the community educator, he represents the Tahoe area and said accomplishments in 2007 were big for the Tahoe residents. With MHSA funding, staff in Tahoe are able to outreach to the community in lieu of waiting for people to come to their services. SFS Tahoe have become more focused, aware, and welcoming to the variety of cultures in the area. A huge issue for Tahoe is the paperwork is not translated in Spanish. Wellness Springs closed in 2007 which has put more pressure on Sierra Family Services to provide more services.

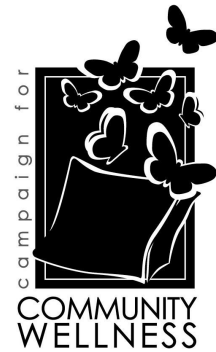
Anno Nakai-stated that she has seen the 2008 goals and wanted to express that she would like to be engaged for Native American strategies in 2008. It was clarified when Placer is ready the intent is to have Anno involved in assisting with strategies.

Amy Ellis-System Transformation Change Agents found their purpose in 2007; Minkoff and Cline have presented to the Change Agents 4 times. The COD Project Management Team's goal for 2008 is to get better data and make recommendations for practice. An issue that System Transformation comes across frequently is the state only asks for 1 diagnosis, if the state asked for 2 diagnosis' it would make reporting co-occurring disorders easier.

Cyndy Bigbee-supervises the Welcome Center and Consumer Navigator programs. The big difference at the Welcome Center is it becoming more run by consumers; the biggest challenges are transportation, getting the word out about the Welcome Center,



and when consumers move on from the Welcome Center getting another consumer motivated to run the center. Consumer Navigator program is great, it is making our staff more aware of how staff talk/act all the time; a challenge is both staff and navigators being accepting of each other as co-workers. See handouts for more detail.



Cindy Brundage-for the Latino population there were a lot of bilingual/bicultural leaders coming together to plan for the future. We had speakers targeted for the Latino community. A Needs Assessment was completed by Latino's, as well as, City of Lincoln to find out what the needs are. The Latino Leadership Council, Anno, and Cindy had a meeting with Gold Country Media and pitched the Campaign for Community Wellness to them and presented them with a calendar of cultural events in 2008, the editor is very interested in showcasing our events/stories. Lack of Evidence Based Practices is a challenge for the Latino population. Placer hosted a training for the Native American Network called Making Connections, it was a 2-day event last year and we have staff that can train other staff on Indian Tribal Welfare and how to interact with families and children from the Native population.

Kathie Denton-announced that the Housing portion of MHSA sent out a notice of intent in 2007.

Richard Hill-supervises the Crisis Triage and Same Day Next Day programs that started in November of 2007. The Crisis Triage program has staff at the hospitals and the county sites. This program also goes to serve people at the jail. Same Day Next Day program is for new clients in ASOC that don't meet the 5150 criteria; these clients are contacted within 24-hours and seen under urgent psychiatry appointments that have been made available to these clients.

NEXT STEPS

How do we want to coordinate the Strategy Team Meetings? Quarterly was discussed as it was in December's meeting but Rich Knecht thinks if it is just updates, then semi-annual meetings should be good. However, if there's work to do then we should meet quarterly. It was agreed by our team that an agenda will be created and sent out prior to the meeting to make sure everyone feels it will be a good use of time.