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Maureen was informed of these Placer County's website problems at the NAMI General meeting on 5-14-07 at 7:00 PM.

Steering Committee Meeting notice for May was fixed on 5-15-07 before noon, (BUT DOESN'T mention OPEN TO PUBLIC), at the website.

MEETING MINUTES have been updated to include "THEIR VERSION OF WHAT WAS SAID AT THE STEERING COMMITTEE HELD 4-27-07.

ALSO STILL NO NOTICE at the website ABOUT THE PUBLIC HEARING MEETING TO BE HELD ON 5-21-07 at the Domea

CONCLUSION:

Placer's County's plan was too hurried to get approval. **PROGRAMS ARE VAGUE.**

1. The "FINAL PLAN" (HAVING 170 PAGES) **DOES NOT EXPLAIN HOW THE PLANS ARE REALLY INTENDED TO WORK (IT'S A TITLE ONLY FOR WHAT YOU MIGHT WANT TO DO WITH THIS PLAN.)**
2. The staffs to support these plans have NO JOB DESCRIPTIONS. (example: Under Triage there is two MAP's clients. Really a bad placement anywhere in Triage for clients.)
3. Plan DOESN'T explain who and how these clients will be picked for the plan or how to use that service.
4. There is NO information on tracking these plans for the public to see if these plans are working from the client's position of services. No follow-up meetings for client/family, committees and/or public surveys for **NON-PAID STAFF PEOPLE.**
5. **Public was NOT informed that many, many of the old programs would be immediately dropped due to these new services. (To service the under-served (a limited client base) in these new plans a majority on the mostly severed clients would lose their old programs.)**
6. **The people, clients and families, plus Placer's Mental Health Advisory Board and others NEVER discussed and approved the "Final Plan" as it is written.**
 - a. The "Placer County Mental Health Services Act Plan for Community Services and Supports" **posted for public comment on August 24, 2005 and voted on by the Placer's Mental Health Advisory Board was changed** without meetings and notices to anyone about these changes. Plan seen by the public and voted on consisted of 96 pages; the "Final Plan" has 170 pages. 1/3 of the "Final Plan" was never seen or discussed by the public. The Placer's Mental Health Advisory Board voted to send it to the Board of Supervisors "subject to on going meetings" as the Board still had concerns regarding the "posted plan". NO MEETING was even held.

Silly us, we thought we would be getting services but the plan we voted on DID NOT include cars, cell phones, and hundreds of computers. Start up equipment was one thing but we feel you didn't spend the money wisely and covered up the changes within the plan which was NEVER put on the internet site as a "Final Plan" until recently.

Clients and families took their notes to several meeting regarding MHSA to Sacramento. We felt that you didn't listen to us the first time out. County did NOT reveal the fact that things were changed after the public and Mental Health Board Advisory voted on them. Continued dropping of programs and lack of services has harmed the clients in this county. **THIS IS A SHAME.**

VOTING issues has now become a problem for non-partnership and public. ONLY the Steering Committee members (chosen and controlled by counties over staffing) have that right to vote and approve spending via NON-Partnerships. We are talking about LIVES NOT MONEY. You talk MONEY NOT LIVES.

COUNTY MUST DO A BETTER JOB. **NOW, IN DELIVERY OF INFORMATION AND PROGRAMS FOR OUR LOVED ONES.** We know the main purpose is to use this money for the most under-serviced clients in our system. **You missed the mark completely, as most of our loved ones are the under-served in this community, and still we have NO VOICE.** We have screamed loud and clear and your NOT "Listening Well".

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