

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES-DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH
Program Support Bureau-MHSA Implementation & Outcomes Division

SUMMARY FOR:
Aggression Replacement Training (ART)
February 27, 2013 from 10am-12pm

Location:

DMH Headquarters
550 S Vermont Ave 2nd floor conference room
Los Angeles, CA 90020

Facilitator:

Michael Villaescusa, LCSW, Psychiatric Social Worker II

Participants:

Sermed Alkass, DMH TAY

Joo Yoon, DMH TAY

Frank Sanchez, Phoenix House

Alejandro Silva, MHSA Implementation & Outcomes Division

George Eckart, MHSA Implementation & Outcomes Division

Joshua Cornell, MHSA Implementation & Outcomes Division

Valerie Curtis, MHSA Implementation & Outcomes Division

David Barclay, Phoenix House of L.A.

Karina Shokat-Fadai, Penny Lane Centers

Alison Tarczynski, Penny Lane Centers

Patti Park, Children's Institute Inc.

Elizabeth Carley, OTTP

Christine Cearfoss, Star View Adolescent Center

Susan Hall-Marley, Child & Family Guidance Center

Morris Lawson, Juvenile Justice Transitional Aftercare Services

Nydia Mershani, SSG/Weber Community Center

Keith Parker, Sunbridge Harbor View Rehabilitation

Jessica Pena Santillan, Child & Family Guidance Center

Debbie Purpus, Penny Lane Centers

Jeffrey Schmidt, Penny Lane Centers

Laura Villa, Sunbridge Harbor View Rehabilitation

I. Updates and Announcements

- Action item follow-up and announcement since previous meeting

M. Villaescusa updated the providers that the OMA will be updated in the near future to allow individual providers to generate their own reports. J. Cornell informed providers of other languages that the OQ series is provided in and how to order the measures.

II. Review of Reports

- Review of available reports
- How is the data being utilized
- What data/information may be helpful in future meetings?

G Eckart highlighted notable data changes/trends in the aggregate report, defined Reliability of Change and then described Reliability of Change in table 7 of the Aggregate report.

Providers reported that they share the data with their clinicians in order to improve data collection and submission; work on improving fidelity to the model by looking at certain reports/tables (core vs. ancillary reports, length of sessions/treatment); looking at the active vs. inactive client report helps flag clients that may need to be closed out in IS/OMA.

Participants reported they may find it helpful at future meetings to have individual RCI data for individual clients to track their improvement and having reports show the location in which practices are being implemented (i.e., schools, residential placements facilities, etc.).

III. Open Forum

- ART Announcements
- Possible topics: Benchmarking, Increasing Post Measure collection...

ART Practice Lead, J. Yoon, discussed the following: the Board letter scheduled for March 2013 to discuss the various issues surrounding ART including staff turnover, training issues and sustainability of the practice; a new email address for ART (ART@dmh.lacounty.gov); procedure codes changes for individual therapy.

M. Villaescusa presented benchmarking as a future learning network topic so individual providers can track their own progress in meeting certain goals like: improving data entry rates; decreasing "Unable to Collects"; increasing post measure collection; staying within the average range of treatment sessions/length for the practice. For those providers that showed interest in tracking their own progress M. Villaescusa offered to send them an excel spreadsheet that may facilitate the process.

IV. Next PPLN Meeting

- Future agenda items
 - a. Panel Discussion
- Location-Host Agency?
- Scheduling of date/time

M. Villaescusa proposed having a panel of clinical supervisors that would be willing to participate by sharing their experience in using outcomes data in clinical supervision and asked providers to approach him after the meeting to volunteer as a panelist.

Date/Time/location of next meeting TBD.