

CSS Plan Description

Full Partnership Programs

The Full Service Partnership (FSP) provides comprehensive, intensive community-based mental health services to individuals from identified focal populations who typically have not responded well to traditional outpatient mental health and psychiatric rehabilitation services, or may have avoided utilization of these services while incurring high costs related to acute hospitalization or long term care. These individuals and their families often have co-existing conditions, such as substance abuse, homelessness, and involvement with the judicial and/or child welfare systems. FSP services provided to clients and families shall be based on their individual needs and goals.

The intent of these services is to help clients and families increase their ability to function at optimal levels and independently, where appropriate, with a commitment to do “whatever it takes” to help them progress toward recovery and wellness.

Recovery, Resilience and Reintegration

Recovery, Resilience and Reintegration (RRR) services are specialized clinical services delivered by professional, paraprofessional staff, and mental health peers specifically trained to work with each age group, as part of multi-disciplinary treatment teams associated with directly-operated and contract agencies. RRR will provide services in mental health clinics, client-run centers, and field-based settings, including but not limited to client homes, primary care clinics, senior centers, faith based organizations, community centers, probation camps and schools.

Alternative Crisis Services

Alternate Crisis Services (ACS) provides a comprehensive range of services and supports for mentally ill individuals that are designed to provide alternatives to emergency room care, acute inpatient hospitalization and institutional care, reduce homelessness, and prevent incarceration. These programs are essential to crisis intervention and stabilization, service integration, and linkage to community-based programs, e.g. Full Service Partnerships (FSP) and Assertive Community Treatment programs (ACT), housing alternatives and treatment for co-occurring substance abuse. ACS serves individuals 18 years of age and older of all genders, race/ethnicities, and languages spoken.

Linkage Services

Linkage services assist individuals and families in accessing mental health and other supportive services. Linkage staff have relationships with community based organizations and work in settings that include hospitals, jails, drop in centers, and mental health courts. The goal of linkage services is to successfully connect clients to needed mental health services. Linkage staff can in-reach into jails and institutions to help facilitate a client’s release back into the community, and set up connections and ongoing treatment in the community to reduce recidivism. Service area navigators are resources throughout the county, stationed in every service area, that work with people from a variety of referral portals, or take referrals from client and families directly, ensuring there is no wrong door for accessing mental health services.

Planning Outreach & Engagement

Planning Outreach & Engagement (POE) projects/activities are aimed at engaging the unserved, underserved and inappropriately served populations with the goal of reducing disparities.

Housing Services

The MHSAs Housing Program provides funding for permanent, supportive, affordable housing for individuals and their families living with serious mental illness, who are homeless. It is a statewide program that includes a partnership with California Housing Finance Agency. DMH provides supportive services including mental health services to tenants living in MHSAs funded units.