

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

**SUMMARY FOR:**  
Incredible Years (IY) Learning Network  
October 30, 2013

**Location:**

Hathaway-Sycamores  
Highland Park Family Resource Center  
840 N. Avenue 66  
Los Angeles, CA 90042

**Facilitator:**

Alejandro Silva, Psy.D

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Seth Myers, Psy.D

**Participants:**

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Bill Peters, Foothill Family Service  
Alex Silva, MHSA Implementation & Outcomes  
Stephanie Spector, MHSA PEI Admin  
Cynthia Thompson-Randle, Children's Institute, Inc.  
Andy Vigil, Drew CDC  
Michael Villaescusa, MHSA Implementation & Outcomes  
Diana Zarate, Long Beach CAP

**Agenda Minutes:**

- I. Updates and Announcements
  - Action item follow-up and announcement since previous meeting

*Follow-up on claiming for group treatment, claiming guidelines for group treatment were clarified and a QA bulletin on group claiming was distributed. Participants were also directed to Service Area Quality Assurance Liaisons for clarification of claiming questions.*

*Announcement of an upcoming IY Babies training, treatment age range for clients 0-12 months, training capacity limited to 25 participants.*

- II. Review of Reports
  - Update on progress of data reporting
  - Review of available reports
  - How is the data being utilized?
  - How is data being shared with clinical staff and clients?

- What data/information may be helpful in future meetings?
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*Participants discussed possible reasons a high percent of no reliable change was shown in IY Learning Network Aggregate Report outcomes data section. Discussed looking at symptom presentation, such as acting out and externalizing behaviors, when determining client appropriateness for IY.*

### III. Open Forum

- Provider driven questions and discussion

*Discussed IY Babies training protocol. Follow-up will be provided regarding the required questionnaires for the IY Babies practice. IY Babies is a 10-week model.*

*Participants shared IY implementation strategies IY at their agencies including the type, number and frequency of groups that work best for their agencies. Mixed views of if the SFPR should be changed to the IY Group Facilitator (if different) or if the SFPR should retain the case. Discussed when to administer the End of Treatment questionnaires, at graduation or session prior to graduation, and perceived advantages of using either time point.*

*Discussed provider question about how to engage and sustain parent involvement in treatment, with strategies shared including: earning incentives for attendance such as gift cards and stickers; serving meals prior to treatment sessions; collaboration with DCFS to have the parent IY group qualify as a parenting classes, if treatment is court mandated.*

*Dr. Alex Silva inquired how the “Total # of EBP Treatment Sessions” was calculated when closing a treatment cycle, if the family participates in both child and parent IY groups. Participants concurred that only the child’s treatment sessions would be counted when determining the total # of treatment sessions.*

*Clarification was provided, that rendering providers do not need to be certified in IY in order to provide IY services.*

*Participants indicated that some parenting materials are available in Spanish at the official IY website.*

*Dr. Alex Silva introduced the “Provider Recommended Agenda Item.” Participants were asked to indicate 3 topics that were of interest to discuss at the next IY Learning Network.*

### IV. Next PPLN Meeting

*Please email proposed future agenda items to: [PEIOutcomes@dmh.lacounty.gov](mailto:PEIOutcomes@dmh.lacounty.gov)*

*Date/Time/location of next meeting TBD*