

System Leadership Team
County of Los Angeles
Department of Mental Health

St. Anne's Auditorium

July 18, 2012

9:30-12:30

Proposal 1: COMMUNICATION

- Use the SLT email list only to disseminate information about the SLT-related business, primarily the monthly meetings.
- Only the Department of Mental Health can use the SLT email list to send information out to SLT members for SLT-related business.
- Turn the SLT email list into an undisclosed list serve with a DMH staff member moderating the content.
- Give SLT members a roster of SLT members, with the contact information of their fellow SLT members. SLT members can contact each other directly.

Proposal 2: ATTENDANCE

- Continue with the current attendance policy, which allows members to miss 3 meetings per calendar year.
- Begin enforcing the attendance policy to ensure the active presence of the breadth and depth of stakeholder perspectives. SLT members with more than 3 absences will be replaced.
- If an organizational or Department representative misses more than three meetings, the agency will be contacted to address the issue.

Proposal 2: ATTENDANCE

- SLT meetings dates will be scheduled in the summer months (June or July) for the following calendar year.
- The DMH Director's calendar will determine the final meeting calendar.
- Create an ex-officio membership for individuals whose perspectives are crucial to the SLT's purpose, but who might not be able to fulfill the attendance requirements.

Proposal 3: AGENDA DEVELOPMENT

- The SLT selects 3-5 individuals who can serve as a group to provide input on the monthly SLT agendas.
- Agenda items would still be determined by the Director of the Department of Mental Health.

Proposal 4: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Members of the public will have the opportunity to comment on any agenda items that solicits recommendations and feedback from the SLT.
- Implement a public participation process modeled after the Oversight and Accountability Commission, consisting of at least two (2) rounds of public comments per meeting, at the middle and end of the meeting.
- Each round has a pre-set amount of time and each participant receives at least one minute.

Proposal 4: PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Implement a public comment card system that allows members of the public to register their views in writing on any item.
- The person can use the comment card to voice her/his view directly during any of the two rounds of public comments, or submit their views as part of the meeting notes for that month.

Proposal 5: ADVOCACY

- The SLT should not serve as an advocacy group on legislative matters.
- Other groups are better positioned to be active advocates.
- The SLT serves as a place for various stakeholders to add their perspectives on important and timely issues pertaining to mental health.

Proposal 6: MONITORING FUNCTION

- First, primarily define the SLT's monitoring function around planning and quality improvement.
- This entails a partnership between the SLT and the Department where key questions and issues can be brought to the SLT for consultation, deliberation and discussion before a final decision is made.

Proposal 6: MONITORING FUNCTION

- Second, implement a system where the SLT receives outcomes-based information on a regular basis in order to provide recommendations on how to improve the quality of services and, on an annual basis, to issue recommendations on MHSA Plans.

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- Form a workgroup that, in collaboration with DMH, will develop and propose a prioritized set of measures or indicators for each outcome level (i.e., community, system, program, and individual).
- This prioritized set of measures (or ‘dashboard’) will help DMH generate focused information on a regular basis for the SLT.

Proposal 7: SAAC-SLT REPRESENTATION

Short Term

- Establish a policy that clearly establishes expectations to ensure that SAACs and the SLT are reporting information back and forth.
- In particular, designate individuals from the SLT and/or SAAC to serve as liaisons between both bodies.

Proposal 7: SAAC-SLT REPRESENTATION

Long Term

- The SAACs as organizations name their representative on the SLT.
- Build capacity in the SAACs to play a similar monitoring role in their region as the SLT plays with regards to the Department of Mental Health.