Connection Coalition
March 9, 2020 | 12:00 pm - 1:00pm
The California Endowment
1414 K Street Suite 500 | Power Up Room
Sacramento, CA 95814

MINUTES

1. Welcome, Introductions, Additional Agenda Items
   a. Update on COVID-19
   b. SL: CHA Actively symptomatic, exposed and positive but asymptomatic.
      i. Biggest concern is homeless
   c. CS: J&J No travel to mtgs with 50 or more people.
   d. CG: Working to provide MH services via telehealth through county partners
   e. PT: 500 million going to telehealth mandatory. 3.5b going to states. President can not use
      money for anything other than COVID-19

2. Data - Toby Ewing, ED, MHSOAC
   a. How much money is available, what’s been spent, what’s ongoing, what’s left in the bank.
      i. Dashboard allows MHSA $, reports are downloadable
      ii. When dashboard was first built, counties were slow to input data. Caused oversight
          hoopla. Only $350m in funds that were not procured.
      iii. Revised form to assume first in first out on $funds
      iv. Under new forms county only reports funds spent. Concern is balance may not match
          county bank accounts. MHSOAC prefers audited results that are in balance.
      v. Why would Sacto have 2 years of cash on hand? Afraid of down trending economy. Lot
          of risk with Medicare billing.
      vi. When the $350m was identified, leg changed way funds are disbursed.
          1. Deemed dollars reverted on expectation $s will be spent by new deadline.
      vii. AB114 one time reprieve
      viii. Required DHCS to calculate unspent dollars. Causing
      ix. MHSOAC want’s to tell the whole story including fed $s.

3. Capitol Day – March 24, 2020

4. Legislation
   a. **AB 1086** (Umberg) Ethical Treatment (per April Grant)
   b. **AB 1850** (Gonzalez) Independent Contractors ( per Paige Talley)
   c. **AB 2100** (Wood) Pharmacy Benefits
      a. PT: Good bill, CCAP likes it.
   d. **AB 2144** (Arambula) Step Therapy
      a. Being sent to CHBRG for fiscal reviw
   e. **AB 3285** (Irwin) Antipsychotic Drugs (per Caren and Trish)

http://www.mhac.org/connection-coalition/
a. Trish to send PP via email.
b. Randall agrees bill has merit for support needs more discussion.
f. Consent Items
   i. Group agreed to support consent items and Randall urged orgs to get their letters in.
g. **SB 803** (Beall) Peer Support Specialists
   • Recommendation, adopt a SUPPORT position
h. **SB 854** (Beall) Substance Use Disorders
   • Recommendation, adopt a SUPPORT position
i. **SB 855** (Wiener) Mental Health or Substance Abuse Disorders
   • Recommendation, adopt a SUPPORT position

Come prepared to AB2100, AB2144, AB3285, SB1086

5. **Coalition for Whole Health Update – Meeting on February 12, 2020** (Attachment 4)

6. **Adjourn**

Participants, Randall, Heidi, Toby, April, Caren, Amanda, Sheree, Alexandra, Danny, Kelli, Trish, Theresa, Christine, Paige, Curtis