



SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT



WELLNESS • RECOVERY • RESILIENCE

MHSA INNOVATION Advisory Committee

INNOVATION COMMITTEE AGENDA

- Introductions & Goals
 - ▶ Frank Warren: MHSA Coordinator, SLO Behavioral Health
 - ▶ Landon King: MHSA Innovation Coordinator, SLO Behavioral Health
- MHSA INNOVATION
 - ▶ MHSA - Frank Warren
 - ▶ INN History - Frank Warren
 - ▶ Project Development/Regulations - Landon King
 - ▶ Current Projects - Landon King
 - ▶ Budgets - Landon King
- INNOVATION ROUND 6-7 (2023-2028)
- INNOVATION PRESENTATION - WILSHIRE COMMUNITY SERVICES
- CONCLUSION



The Mental Health Services Act in San Luis Obispo County:

- ▶ Proposition 63, passed in 2004
- ▶ Millionaire's Tax

The MHSA Provides:

- ▶ Funding, personnel, and other resources
- ▶ Supportive programs for underserved populations
- ▶ Best practices and innovative approaches
- ▶ Prevention, early intervention, treatment, and recovery
- ▶ Community partnerships and stakeholder engagement



MHSA planning benefits from community stakeholder input

- Consumers, family members, and providers
- Review programs and make recommendations
- Input for improvements outlined in Annual Update
- Plan reviewed (30 days) & public hearing at Behavioral Health Board



VeteransOutreach
County of San Luis Obispo
Reaching Out to Local Veterans and Their Families



BATTLE AXE
SAN LUIS OBISPO

Axe Throwing in San Luis Obispo
Saturday, January 22nd 11:00am-12:00pm
FREE for veterans (one guest welcome)



INNovations in SLO County

Round 1 (2012-2016)

- System Empowerment for Consumers, Families, Providers: SLO BHD
- Atascadero Student Wellness Career Project: SLO BHD
- Older Adult Family Facilitation: Wilshire Community Services
- Non-Violent Communication (NVC) Education Trial: United Way
- Wellness Arts 101: Cuesta College
- System Enhancement Program: TMHA
- Operation Coastal Care: SLO BHD
- Multi-Modal Play Therapy Outreach Trial: CAPSLO

Round 2 (2016-2020)

- Creating Opportunities for Lantinas to Experience Goal Achievement (COLEGA): Women's Shelter Program of SLO
- Late Life Empowerment & Affirmation: Wilshire Community Services
- Transition Assistance & Relapse Prevention: TMHA
- Not for Ourselves Alone: SLO BHD

Round 3 (2018-2022)

- SLOACCEPTance: Cal Poly
- 3-By-3: First 5



Current INNovation Projects (Rounds 4 & 5)

- INN 4.1: Holistic Adolescent Health Project - CAPSLO
 - ▶ Completion Date: December 31st, 2023.
- INN 4.2: Behavioral Health Assessment & Response Project (B-HARP) - Holifield Psychological Services
 - ▶ Completion Date: June 30th, 2023.
- INN 5.1: Behavioral Health Education & Engagement Team (BHEET) - Transitions Mental Health Association.
 - ▶ Completion Date June 30th, 2025.
- INN 5.2: SoundHeal
 - ▶ Completion Date December 31st, 2024.



What is Innovation?

- Innovation is focused on learning, not on sustainable services.
- Innovation funds are used for developing models, testing the models, and communicating the results.
- Project development begins with community planning to determine county specific needs and gaps in service.



INNovation Development Guidelines

- Introduces a unique and untested mental health practice or approach.
- Makes a change to an existing practice in the field of mental health, including application to a different population.
- Applies a promising community driven practice or approach that has been successful in a non-mental health context.
- Supports participation in a housing program designed to stabilize a person's living situation while also providing supportive services onsite.



INNOVATION Purpose

Innovation must include one of the following primary purposes:

- Increase access to underserved groups.
- Increase the quality of services, including better outcomes.
- Promote interagency and community collaboration related to mental health services.
- Increase access to mental health services.



INNOVATION Development Process

- Starts here: Establish Advisory Committee.
 - ▶ Advisory Committee
 - ▶ Step 1: Education (Committee meeting)
 - ▶ Step 2: Needs & Ideas (Committee meeting)
 - ▶ Step 3: Innovation Creation Station
 - ▶ Step 4: Proposals (Committee meeting)
 - ▶ Step 5: Consensus-based decisions via ranking system
- Innovation plan developed based on outcomes of ranking.



INNOVATION Approval Process (cont.)

- Draft sent to MHSOAC (OAC) for review
 - ▶ Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission.
- Announce to MHSA Advisory Committee (MAC) and Local Review
 - ▶ 30-Day Public Review of Approved Proposal.
- BHB and BOS Approval.
- MHSOAC Final Approval.



INNovation Timeline

- Development and approval process = 6+ months (avg).
- Projects are time-limited: preferably 3-4 years (5 max).
 - ▶ 6-month implementation → 2-3 years operations → 6-month evaluation.
 - ▶ INN plans must account for continuity for individuals receiving services at the time of project completion.
- Final project evaluations are published and submitted to MHSOAC within 6-months of completion.



INnovation - Budget

- Innovation Rounds 6-7 (2023-2028)
 - ▶ Budget for up to \$1 million spread across all Innovation projects each year.
 - ▶ Overall individual project < \$1 million.
 - ▶ Starting FY 23-24 (Round 6)
 - ▶ Community supported INN idea from 2020.
 - ▶ Budget for Round 7: \$200-250k/year + unspent dollars from Round 6



Innovation Proposal:

Mental Health Integration for Older Adults in Residential Facilities



Problem Definition

- San Luis Obispo lacks the proper model of care and intervention to fully engage Older Adults in the areas of physical and mental health. Older Adults diagnosed with a mental illness, are more likely to experience difficulty with obtaining and/or sustaining an appropriate level of care when facility placement becomes necessary.
- Many Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE's) are reluctant to accept patients with a documented Mental Illness due to a lack of appropriate resources.
- Facilities that treat individuals with a Mental Illness are reluctant to accept Older Adults due to a lack of medical resources.
- Successful options that meet the unique needs of this sector of the Older Adult population have yet to be identified.



Innovation Proposal

- The project would use a hybrid model employing elements of the successful:
 - ▶ “School and Family Empowerment” model, and
 - ▶ Implementing them in Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFE).
- A major component of the program would be to provide:
 - ▶ Appropriate education and consultation to facility staff so that they feel more empowered and comfortable with;
 - ▶ Identifying red flags and triggers,
 - ▶ Deescalating situations,
 - ▶ Recognizing and addressing crisis, recognizing symptoms and reducing their presentation, and
 - ▶ Promoting an environment of wellness and recovery.



Innovation Implementation

- The project would include teams comprised of:
 - ▶ Behavioral Health Clinician, and
 - ▶ Advocate
- Teams would be located at the RCFE's in order to create an integrated and collaborative effort between Behavioral Health and Physical Health



Outcomes & Objectives

- To learn if providing mental health support in an RCFE would produce better health outcomes and create more living options for Older Adults. The learning goals:
 - ▶ Would a team-based, wrap around approach to mental health assessment and treatment in RCFEs promote better health and wellness outcomes for the participants?
 - ▶ Would increasing community collaboration and access to mental health care increases the number of placement options available to Older Adults with a mental illness?
 - ▶ Would providing a team-based, wrap around approach to mental health assessment and treatment in RCFEs for the Elderly create more sustainable housing and treatment options for Older Adults with a mental illness?
 - ▶ Would the testing model have a positive impact in the elderly population mental and physical outcomes?



INNovation: Community Needs/Idea Generation

- Open Needs & Ideas Forum on SurveyMonkey.
 - Notable or potential mental health issues specific to our community.
 - Gaps in Mental Health Services.
 - Populations/Communities.
 - General ideas.
- Next Meeting: March, 2023.



INNovation Conclusion

Questions & Discussion

Thank you!

