
Center for Addictions Research

Strengthening Treatment: Drug Abuse by Rural Youth Core Advisory Group Meeting August 23, 2002 Minutes

Present: Brandon Beaudry, Joan Black, Carolyn Cavitt, Elizabeth Curl, Jodi Gibson, Jim Hall, Valli Kempf, Mary Larew, Mariana Martinasevic, Jan Peterson, Brad Richardson, Bob Rohret, Doug Smith, James Stehbens, Jim Swaim, Stephen Trefz, Joan Vanden Berg, and Cathy Willoughby.

Progress Report on Assessment Center

- Center is located at 509 Kirkwood and will be the centralized assessment center.
- Will be used to house RA's and caseworkers.

Management Information System

- MIS status was covered.
- On-line scheduling will be available
- Using the screening instrument will reduce redundancy of data collection between agencies.
- Will entail developing a new web site.

Outreach

- The group defined "outreach" as reaching out to adolescents who need help, having resources available, and training individuals.
- Schools have community resources such as MECCA and JCS.
- Existing services need to be strengthened and new services need to be identified.

Discussion: Training

- Training in motivational therapy for individuals in schools, UAY, etc is needed while regular training for professionals should be offered.
- The first training will be in the GAIN Quick Screen tool. Agencies will need to identify who in their agency will need this training. The training will be 3 hours. The suggestion was made that there might be a better "turn-out" if the training is offered 2-3 times.

Old Business

- The purpose of the grant was quickly reviewed by showing a Ppt presentation. Goal #3 needs to be redefined. (*Provide a continuum of care of services [early intervention, detection, referral, assessment, counseling, case management, and aftercare for youth and families]*).

New Business

- Angela Harding and Doug Smith are working towards becoming certified GAIN trainers and will be able to train agency participants. They will need to know the types of CEUs needed.
- Jim Swaim suggested someone from SCY attend a DHS meeting regarding the waiting-list crisis.

Next meeting: September 27, 2002 from 12-1.