

Treatment Sales Tax Implementation Workgroup Meeting
March 18, 2009 3:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Courthouse, Building 1, Room 152

Attendance

Tom Ball	Marti Maxwell
Marianne Clear	Sherri McDonald
Zena Edwards	MaryAnn O'Garro
Mike Fenton	Valerie Peters
Mark Freedman	Diana Rice
Gail Gosney	Judge Gary Tabor
Sally Harrison	Todd Thoma
Judge Anne Hirsch	Debbie Thompson
Dennis Mahar	

1. Introductions

The purpose of today's meeting is to look at the work that individual workgroups have completed in developing a preliminary list of priorities. First, the group will focus on program and system issues, rather than budget numbers. The goal is to have staff think about the system as a whole, rather than just individual pieces. The priorities for July-December 2009 are due to Don's office by March 25th.

2. Presentations of small group priorities

JUVENILE – Mike Fenton

Functional Family Therapy (FFT) has been removed from the 2009 priorities because it has temporary funding sources. Multi-Systemic Therapy (MST) is the top priority for the Juvenile group. It fits clearly within the statute, has a strong EBP record and addresses both MH and CD issues. It is currently slated for elimination on June 30th.

Nurse-Family Partnership (NFP) also has strong research-based evidence of its accomplishments. There is some dispute about whether this program clearly fits within the statute. However, once the NFP program is eliminated, the initial costs are prohibitive and will most likely not be re-started.

ADULT – Mark Freedman

There was no ranking amongst the adult priorities. The group is in favor of sustaining programs that are at-risk, particularly those that are funded by the bridge (i.e. CD/MH services in the jail). Furthermore, cuts from the state (not just the county) in the future will create more programs that are at-risk.

THERAPEUTIC COURTS – Marianne Clear

The Family Dependency Court Coordinator is one of the top priorities for this group. Also, Mental Health Court and Drug/DUI Court have been evaluated to produce results in the community.

3. Whole group priority-setting exercise and discussion

Gail and Sherri will put together a forced-choice dyad and send it to the committee members. Responses will be due Friday, as these priorities in ranked order will need to be presented to the Community Review Committee on Monday, March 23rd.

4. Proposed Budget for TST Activities for June-December 2009

- Estimated annual revenue: \$3.3 million
- Estimated Jul-Dec revenue: \$1.65 million
- Anticipated Bridge Funds spent: \$430k
- \$1.2 million = TST funds for Jul-Dec 2009

5. Adjourn

The next meeting will be March 25, 2009 from 4:00 – 5:00 p.m.