

Mental Health Project Meeting Notes

10.5.19

Summary

The Mental Health Project team meet to officially kick off the project. We talked about a number of topics, including the status of the funding, next steps with Austin Public Health, ideas for partnering.

Project Team in Attendance

Vince Cobalis

Kavita Radhakrishnan

Cat Conte

Molly Wang

Kirk Yoshida (hopefully transitioning off)

ACTION: Schedule a Meeting with Adrienne Sturup, Austin Public Health

The Mental Health Project team will schedule a meeting with Adrienne in late-October for the purpose of sharing ideas, potential organizations for partnering & service delivery, and defining services/needs. Other topics to be addressed include:

- What else does APH need from AAQoL?
- The contracting vehicle and any potential contract funding issues
- What can APH do within existing funds on the education/outreach piece (suggested by Stephanie Hayden at a Commission briefing)?

Other Discussion Points

Integral Care

- Vince talked about increasing capacity at ATCIC to serve the Asian American community through telehealth and other culturally-competent services
- Cat mentioned that ATCIC facilities can be an intimidating environment for some

HR Mini-Project

- On an unrelated topic, Kirk talked about creating a mini-project to increase Asian American applicants at the Fire Department
- ACTION: Kirk is going to talk to Sarah about leading this effort

Partnering

- The group discussed the possibility of placing partnering requirements in service contracts
- Cat offered the example of AFSSA acting as a “fiscal agent” and how partners were paid for serving Asian American clients

Data Disaggregation

- The group talked about placing additional focus on data disaggregation and about how it should be a Commission focus to push APH and other key departments to collect this data