

School Based Services

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Overview of Clients and Services

- Specialty Mental Health Services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries (inc. Health Net and HPSJ) ages 5-18 with severe emotional disturbance in Stanislaus County.
- Approx. 20 staff regionalized at school sites (incl. Patterson/Newman, Oakdale, Ceres, Hughson/Waterford & Modesto Clinic)
 - Assess and Diagnose, Individual & Family Therapy, Collaborate with School Staff
 - Parent Partner and Case Manager
- Referrals come from schools and directly from consumers.

How has Covid changed our progam?

- We continue to accept referrals and provide services.
 - How we do it is slightly different

We've done a of lot targeted outreach to school sites including presentations to engage the school systems in understanding MH and the resources (collaboration with BHRS and other agencies).

School and Community Outreach



How our program has shifted...

- Majority of staff are working remotely/from home.
- More flexible/evening scheduling
- Adopted more phone and telehealth sessions (zoom)
 - > Examples of using zoom with children.
- Medication services provided through telehealth

Covid Challenges

- Initial challenges-low referrals and lower client engagement
- Supporting staff with work/life balance

Currently very busy; challenges around accommodating new referrals (staff retention of the recent)



Demographics

Based on 773 unique clients in 2019-2020

Race	% of Clients	
African American	7.50%	
Asian/Pacific	1.68%	
Caucasian	25.74%	
Hispanic	62.11%	
Multiple	0.26%	
Other	2.71%	



Languages

Spanish	Chinese (Language Line)	ASL	Total
1,751 hrs	0.50 hrs	3.0 hrs	1,754.50 hrs

Equity and Social Justice Challenges

- Data/Reporting based SOGIE
- Employing diversified staff (race, ethnicity, language, gender)
- Providing interpreting outside of our threshold languages (Spanish)
- Access to trainings (we have established an agency "Culture Club" and creating more groups as we speak).

Questions???

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