



STAFF INNOVATION SUMMARY— COUNTY NAME

Name of Innovative (INN) Project: _____

Total INN Funding Requested for Project: \$XX,XXX,XXX

Duration of Innovative Project: Number (X) Years

Review History

When did the County Board of Supervisors approve the Innovation plan?

When did OAC receive any significant correspondence, i.e. request for extension letter?

Project Introduction:

1. Brief introduction to the INN project. 1-2 sentences in length
2. What is the project going to do?
3. How will they do it?

In the balance of this brief we address specific criteria that the OAC looks for when evaluating Innovation Plans, including: What is the unmet need that the county is trying to address? Does the proposed project address the need? Are there clear learning objectives that link to the need? Will the proposed evaluation allow the county to make any conclusions regarding their learning objectives? In addition, the OAC checks to see that the Innovation meets regulatory requirements that the proposed project must align with the core MHSA principles, promote learning, funds exploration of a new and/or locally adapted mental health approach/practice, and targets one of the four allowable primary purposes.

The Need

1. Summarize the identified need. Include statistics from some, preferably government, source that verifies the need is in fact a problem.

The Response

1. Brief summary and analysis of the plan. Brief analysis of the need identified and will the proposed project satisfy that need. What does the County say is innovative in their project proposal?
2. Include research on other ways the identified need was addressed, especially by County and/or others vs. the desired outcome of the County's Innovation work plan.

The Community Planning Process

The MHSA regulations indicate the stakeholder participation should be present at every step of the way for Innovation Projects, including the Community Planning Process (CPP). Counties should provide training where needed to ensure meaningful participation by consumers with serious mental illness and/or serious emotional disturbance and their family members in the CPP. This subsection should clarify what evidence the County presents for meeting this requirement.

1. Does the Community Planning Process meet the requirements per the regulations?
2. Did stakeholders actually participate in this planning?
3. Does the CPP mirror the need/objective of the project?

Learning Objectives and Evaluation

This section addresses the degree to which the County has a plan to evaluate the Innovative Project, including: (a) expected outcomes of Innovation, (b) how and at what frequency outcomes will be measured, (c) how outcomes relate to the Innovation's primary purpose, (d) how the County will assess which elements of the Innovation contributed to positive outcomes, and € how, if the County chooses to continue it, the project work plan shall transition to another category of funding, as appropriate.

1. Brief summary of County learning objectives and evaluations process they plan to implement with the INN project.
2. Analysis of if selected objectives and methodology matches the need and intent of the project and outcome it hopes to achieve.

The Budget

This section addresses the County's case for the scope of their project, the length and monetary amount of the project. Has the County provided both (a) a budget narrative and (b) detail about projected expenditures by Fiscal Year (FY) and funding source in the required and expected categories listed in the regulations? The proposed budget county budget and duration of INN project

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1. Brief breakdown of budget details, including percentages dedicated for INN administrative costs, evaluation, and operating costs. Specific direct and indirect costs, personnel salaries, and other totals if applicable. Analyze if the budget is reasonable for project.
3. Analyze if what the County is requesting to purchase matches the project?
4. Analyze how will the County support ongoing funds for costs that may exceed the time limitation of five-year.

Additional Regulatory Requirements

The proposed project appears to meet the minimum requirements listed under MHSA Innovation regulations.

1. Determine based on MHSOAC Checklist of Minimum requirements.

References

Google. "Google Privacy Policy." Last modified March 11, 2009.
<http://www.google.com/intl/en/privacypolicy.html>.