

FRESNO COUNTY PAROLE SERVICE NETWORK MEETING MINUTES FOR APRIL 15, 2009

Attendee's: Jason Yang, Fresno County Substance Abuse
John Blanco, Fresno County Substance Abuse
Robert Johnson, Fresno County Substance Abuse
John Duchscher, Fresno County Substance Abuse
Adam Balto, Fresno County Substance Abuse
David King, Turning Point
Jenny Gonzalez, WestCare
Seanna Herring, WestCare
Kurt Klemencic, State PSN
Brian Bradley, Fresno County Substance Abuse
Mary Ann Smilie, Fresno County Substance Abuse

Kurt Klemencic – PSN funding for fiscal year 2009-10 will be the same amount as this year. The State is considering taxing alcohol drinks at 10 cents per drink – the funding from this tax would be shared with law enforcement.

Kurt Klemencic – ADP webpage will include all criminal justice (P36, Drug Court, DUI and PSN) the reason being is to show clients of these services. Kurt will let Jason know as soon as it is posted to the public web server, and new people can be added to it with their stories so the public can be aware of the great things that happens in recovery and how far people come from where they were. It'll be good, especially when the budget is being discussed, and drug treatment is on the table for more or cut in funding they will see the good things treatment provides.

Kurt Klemencic – Elvira Diaz has officially gone to CDCR. ADP will hold their conference in June 2010. It is to meet the needs of the provider and learn about other providers.

Jason Yang – CDCR, Barry Sturm and Cynthia Nules are on travel restrictions.

Jason Yang – Utilization report is right on track to fully expend all PSN funding. Turning Point is still higher than anticipated, but we are taking care of that with Robert Johnson. King of Kings and WestCare are on track.

Jason Yang – Updates – Fresno County 2009-10 residential PSN providers, Westcare and Turning Point have been approved by the Board of Supervisors. Fresno County 2009-10 outpatient provider, WestCare was recommended for award and scheduled to go to the Board of Supervisors on May 12, 2009.

John Blanco – Sober Living have not yet gone out, and will be released as a RFA application which should go out in the next couple of weeks to the residential providers. Most of the Sober Living funding will come from PSN.

Robert Johnson – Passed out active roster of PSN clients – Robert stated that Mr. Charette from State Parole sent out an email to agents that there were a few empty beds available.

John Duchscher – The discharge summary and paperwork is to be sent to Robert Johnson electronically. Some of these are behind, and needs to be addressed and followed through on time. When someone is discharged, the paperwork needs to be done as soon as possible so those beds can be filled.

John Duchscher – Complemented Robert Johnson for a job well done in keeping on top of the referrals.

Jason Yang – King of Kings is not present.

David King – Maintaining 1.6 clients, a little above contract amount and that should even out by the end of the year. Look forward to the upcoming contract beginning at the new fiscal year.

Jenny Gonzalez – Program is on track.

Seanna Herring – Introduced WestCare's new program to provided services for veterans. There will be an event for veterans, "Stand Down" from September 22 – 25, 2009.