

Save the Date: CalMHSa Statewide Coordination Workgroup

To support counties in planning to attend the fall 2013 CalMHSa Statewide Coordination Workgroup, below you will find a short description of the objectives of the 2-Day workgroup meeting and contact information for registration and questions. More detailed information, including specific agendas and the link for the hotel block rate, will be sent out in the coming weeks.

- Title:** CalMHSa Statewide Coordination Workgroup
Dates: Wednesday, September 18, 2013 – Thursday, September 19, 2013
Venue: The Four Points Hotel, LAX [The Four Points Website](#)
- For the hotel room block rate of \$110/night, please click [here](#).

Description

The focus of this year's fall meeting will be analyzing initial outcomes and impact, state and local collaboration, integration of tools, and best practices. The two-day meeting will have sessions for information sharing, planning, and skill building. Day one will include an introduction for counties to explore the newest programs and tools being implemented in FY 2013-14. Day two will focus on best ways to bring these tools to local communities and/or develop strategies to integrate tools with existing local efforts, and support the exchange of best practices.

Objectives

- Provide substantive information and status reports on key activities within the PEI statewide projects.
- Inform counties and Program Partners about the capacities, networks and initial impacts of the PEI statewide projects based on emerging data and evaluation.
- Facilitate the opportunity for counties and program partners to inform each other about the tools, resources, and best practices that have been developed locally, regionally or statewide to prevent suicide, reduce stigma, and improve student mental health. Explore and plan for the integration and coordination of efforts between county initiatives and statewide efforts.
- Support collaboration and relationship building among counties and Program Partners allowing for an open dialogue about criteria and strategies for sustaining efforts that are effective and desired by local interests.

Participation:

Each county is invited to attend this semi-annual event, and provide their input into program development and implementation. If a county determines that several staff would benefit from participation, (e.g. PEI coordinator, Ethnic Services Manager, county liaison), CalMHSa can accommodate counties' request on a case by case basis. Attending the event will also be representatives from all of the CalMHSa Program Partners, including presentations from all three of the statewide initiatives. Also in attendance are the



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Regional Contract Specialists, who will be on hand to assist in bridging the gap between counties and Program Partners.

To register for the conference, please RSVP to Michelle Yang at michelle.yang@calmhsa.org by close of business on Thursday, August 15, 2013.



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