W2D - Hot Topics Policy Discussion Addressing the Unserved & Underserved: Building Capacity for Early Intervention While Serving Existing Needs
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Level: Intermediate
Track: Words to Deeds
Room: Cypress
CE: CPA/BBS/BRN (1.5)
POST TBD, MCLE TBD

Narrative
California state experts will present the newest current policies and funding opportunities available. Subject areas will include: Prevention and early psychosis identification and treatment; Pre-trial diversion addressing the Incompetent to Stand Trial [IST] population; grants administered by the Board of State and Community Corrections; resources to address homelessness, and Mental Health Services and Oversight and Accountability Commission programs. Experts from state departments will include: Department of Health Care Services; Department of State Hospitals; Board of State and Community Corrections; and Mental Health Services and Oversight and Accountability Commission. Attendees will have the opportunity to ask detailed questions to expert leaders about access to available funding.

Bio
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Brenda Grealish, MA, Acting Deputy Director, Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services
Brenda Grealish is currently the Acting Deputy Director for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services. She was appointed Assistant Deputy Director for Mental Health and Substance Use Disorder Services within the California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) in November 2014. As Acting Deputy Director, Ms. Grealish is responsible for all of the DHCS mental health and substance use disorder divisions. Ms. Grealish began her state career with the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development. She then worked at the Department of Mental Health for almost ten years in increasingly responsible positions. She has four years of management experience with the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation during which she advanced from a Research Manager II to a Research Manager III, then Deputy Director. Prior to her appointment as Assistant Deputy Director, Ms. Grealish was the Chief of the DHCS Mental Health Services Division. Ms. Grealish has a Bachelor’s and Master’s Degree in Psychology.
Katherine Warburton, MD, Medical Director and Deputy Director of Clinical Operations
Katherine is the Medical Director and Deputy Director of Clinical Operations, for the California Department of State Hospitals, a 6,000-bed forensic hospital system. She received her medical degree from the Arizona College of Osteopathic Medicine and completed her residency at Maine Medical Center. She received additional training in Forensic Psychiatry at UC Davis Division of Psychiatry and the Law. Katherine is board certified in adult and forensic psychiatry. She is an Associate Professor on the Clinical Faculty at the UC Davis School of Medicine. Katherine has lectured and published on forensic topics related to violence and competence to stand trial. She is editor of a textbook titled Violence in Psychiatry.

Helene Zentner, Field Director, California Board of State and Community Corrections
Helene Zentner is a Field Representative with the California Board of State and Community Corrections, where she has held several positions. Her current position is in the Corrections Planning and Grant Programs Division, and she is the lead staff for several state-funded grants including: The California Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction (MIOCR) Grant; the Proud Parenting Grant, and the Community Corrections Partnership Plans. Over the past decade, Ms. Zentner has provided leadership, coordination, and technical assistance to promote effective state and local efforts and partnerships in California’s adult and juvenile criminal justice systems. She works to promote the Board’s mission to increase the use of evidence-based practices, and has been certified by the University of Cincinnati Corrections Institute, under Dr. Ed Latessa, to administer the Evidence-Based Correctional Program Checklist, a tool to assess corrections intervention programs on the principles of effectiveness.

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Learning Objectives

1. Participants will be able to identify current available funding possibly applicable to own organization.
2. Participants will be able to describe how to access available funded programs.