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How the Coordinated Care Initiative Inspired Opportunities to Improve Adult Protective Services...

Enhanced Care Management
Workshop Overview

- Leading Organizational Change: From Model to Practice
- Background and Development of Enhanced Care Management (ECM) Model
- Application of the ECM Model: Case Example
- Riverside County’s Implementation Lessons Learned
- Opportunities for Other Jurisdictions?
A Quick Context

Riverside County’s caseload growth is higher compared to other similar-sized counties in California:

❖ 28,000 IHSS clients disabled and seniors, suffering from multiple debilitating health conditions and requiring daily living assistance to safely remain at home and prevent institutional placement

❖ 15,000 APS clients, victims of neglect, physical abuse, sexual abuse, financial abuse, or emotional abuse

❖ 23,000 non/relative caregivers providing IHSS assistance

❖ 68 APS and 160 IHSS social workers
“Change Accelerators”
in a FAST Changing Environment
(John P. Cotter, 2012)

- Create a sense of URGENCY around a single BIG OPPORTUNITY.
- Build and maintain a GUIDING COALITION.
- Formulate strategic VISION and develop a CHANGE INITIATIVE designed to capitalize on the big opportunity.
- Communicate the vision and the strategy to create BUY-IN and attract a growing VOLUNTEER ARMY (of change leaders).
“Change Accelerators”...

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- Accelerate movement toward the vision and opportunity by ensuring the network **REMOVES BARRIERS**.
- Celebrate visible, significant **SHORT TERM WINS**.
- **“NEVER LET UP!”** Keep learning from the experience and don’t declare victory too soon.
- **INSTITUTIONALIZE** strategic changes in the culture.
Urgent

Demands for Change

Different constituent groups will have different urgencies. What is urgent for executive staff, caseworkers, community partners, and clients?

- Need to address high caseloads
- Need to collaborate and prepare social workers for working in an interprofessional environment
- Need to improve quality APS and IHSS casework practices
- Need to improve client outcomes

What is the worst thing that could happen? Is it me or is our iceberg getting smaller?
Big Opportunity
Coordinated Care Initiative

California’s Coordinated Care Initiative (CCI), implemented in April 2014 promotes integrated delivery of medical, behavioral, and long-term care Medicaid services, and also provides a road map to integrate Medicare and Medicaid for people on both programs, called “dual eligible beneficiaries.”

- Managed Care Health Plans: Enrollment
- Health Risk Assessment Tool
- Coordinated Care Team Approach
- Data Sharing
- “Maintenance of Efforts” Funding Structure
Building a Guiding Coalition

Position of Power/Authority

Leadership

Expertise

Credibility
Enhanced quality of life for clients and their caregivers

We will strengthen the Adult Services System of Care by focusing on IHSS as...

- a core prevention strategy for promoting safety, well-being, and independence; and
- an intervention strategy to avoid or reduce reoccurrence of elder abuse and neglect.
Creating a Change Initiative

Enhanced Care Management “ECM”

ECM is a response to varying case complexities and urgencies, acknowledging that different cases have different needs, and will involve more time, resources and support.
“ECM” is...

- A holistic view of the client, requiring a comprehensive client assessment to accurately classify clients based on need
- A system that works with the managed care environment
- A coordinated approach between APS, IHSS and multiple disciplines
- Based on the promising practices in past coordinated care efforts for aging and older adults
ECM Guiding Principles

• No Wrong Door
• All Clients Assessed for Strengths and Needs
• Individualized Supportive Services
• Enhanced Outcomes
• Community Based Care and Services
• Better Care through Healthy Caregivers
From Vision to Outcomes

If implemented, ECM will result in Better Client Outcomes:

- Decreased client risk
- Decreased re-occurrence in adult abuse and neglect
- Increased linkages to services
- Increased supportive services to caregivers
Building a “Growing Army”

- Do we want “Buy-In” or “Ownership”? 
- How do we create and grow our ECM “army”? 
- Who are the ECM champions inside and outside of our agency? 
- How can we create a committed army who can share their passion with others?
Removing Barriers

- Shifting Agency Culture & Practice
- Reducing Caseload
- Improving Staff Recruitment and Retention
- Training Staff
- Re-Prioritizing Work
- Showing Results
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## Shift in Culture and Practice in APS Consultation

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Creating Strategies

We're hiring a Director of Change Management to help employees embrace strategic changes.

Or we could come up with strategies that make sense, then employees would embrace change.

That sounds harder.
Creating Strategies

- Workforce Development, Readiness (Recruitment & Retention)
- Communication & Outreach—Internal & External
- Training & Coaching
- Stakeholder Partnership Development
- Data Sharing
- Interagency Case Collaboration
- Expansion of Service Array
ECM In Action: A Case Example

Before
After

The social workers (PA, IHSS, APS) conducted coordinated care team meeting with Ms. S and health care providers and effectively advocated for the following:

- **Home health nutritionist, physical therapist and primary doctor to provide medical care to Ms. S at home**
- **Hospital bed and wheel chair**
- **Multiple IHSS providers monitored by the Public Authority to provide 70 hours of caregiving per week.**
Short Term Wins

- “ECM” is a part of the organization’s vocabulary
- Multiple examples of ECM principles in practice
- Improved outcomes for several clients
- Improved customer service feedback

NEVER LET UP... WE ARE NOT DONE YET!
Never Let Up:
Lessons Learned so Far

We have more work to do...

- Continue to hire and train additional social workers to result in a lower case load
- Implement centralized high risk medical and behavioral health case management model
- Determine performance measures and collect data
- Continue to monitor and address barriers/ make changes needed
- Institutionalize!
An Opportunity for your Jurisdiction? Questions and Discussion