Update: WET Statewide-Administered Programs

**WET Consumer and Family Member Employment Advisory Committee:** The Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development (OSHPD) formed a Statewide WET Consumer and Family Member Employment Advisory Committee that is comprised of 26 stakeholders of the Community Public Mental Health System. The Committee will advise OSHPD on statewide mental health WET activities pertaining to consumer and family member employment. The Committee held its first meeting on April 3, 2014 in which the committee initiated discussions on developing a framework for activities to implement the $10 million consumer and family member employment funding in the WET Five-Year Plan 2014-2019. The Committee has scheduled meetings for the next three months on: May 7, June 10, and July 17 (tentatively). Committee information and meeting documents can be found under the “WET Consumer and Family Member Employment Advisory Committee” section on WET webpage. [http://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HWDD/WET.html](http://www.oshpd.ca.gov/HWDD/WET.html)

**WET Regional Partnerships:** OSHPD is in the process of developing and releasing contracts for the five WET Regional Partnerships. The five Regional Partnerships promote building and improving local workforce, education and training efforts and resources to meet each region’s specific needs. To develop the contracts, OSHPD held a focus group with the regional partnership coordinators and outlined elements within the Five-Year Plan 2014-2019 for the Regional Partnerships to include within their work over the next three years.

**Status:**
- OSHPD expects to release Regional Partnership contracts by the end of April.

**Consumer and Family Members/Peer Personnel Request for Proposal (RFP):** Assembly Bill (AB) 110, Chapter 20, Statutes of 2013 allocated $2 million for peer support, including families, training in crisis management, suicide prevention, recovery planning, targeted case management assistance, and other related peer training and support functions to facilitate the deployment of peer personnel as an effective and necessary service to clients and family members, and as triage and targeted case management personnel.

**Status:**
- OSHPD issued a Notice of Intent to Award the Peer Personnel contracts to: Contra Costa County-Behavioral Health Division; Mental Health Association of San Francisco; National Alliance on Mental Illness San Diego; and Recovery Opportunity Center.

- OSHPD anticipates entering into contracts with the above organizations on April 9, 2014.

**Stipend Programs:** Per the WET Five-Year Plan 2014-2019, $35 million over four years is allocated for stipend programs. Modeled after the federal Title IV-E, stipend programs support students who are committed to working in the public mental health system, prepare professionals to deliver mental health services that promote wellness, recovery, and resilience; encourage the enrollment and support of individuals with consumer and family member experience in the public mental health
system; recruit individuals who are culturally competent and/or have life experience with the public mental health system and ensure equitable distribution of stipends throughout the State.

Status:

- OSHPD issued a Notice of Intent to award the Masters of Social Work stipend contract to the University of California, Berkeley which submitted a proposal on behalf of the California Social Work Education Center (CalSWEC).

- OSHPD issued a Notice of Intent to Award the Marriage and Family Stipend contract to Alliant International University and Phillips Graduate Institute.

- OSHPD issued a Notice of Intent to Award the Psychiatric Mental Health Nurse Practitioner Stipend contract to the University of California, San Francisco and the University of San Diego Hahn School of Nursing & Health Sciences.

- OSHPD issued a Notice of Intent to Award the Clinical Psychology stipend contract to Alliant International University.

- OSHPD anticipates entering into contract with stipend contractors.