Black Hills Mental Health Substance Abuse Collaborative

Semi-Annual Community Engagement Forum

When: Wednesday, August 17, 2011
(2:00 - 5:00 pm)
Where: Rushmore Plaza Holiday Inn
(Hammons Room)
Networking Session: Following the presentations while enjoying food and refreshments.

The John T. Vucurevich Foundation will convene the 2nd Community Engagement Forum of the Black Hills Mental Health Substance Abuse Systems Change Collaborative for information sharing and prioritization of issues.

The Collaborative’s Mission is:

build a sustainable model for access to services in which a broad and diverse range of stakeholders, including funders, take ownership of problems and work collaboratively to influence change.

PRESENTATION TOPICS:

- Provide an update on the first six months of the Crisis Care Center, CCC staff
- Learn about the goals and accomplishments of the Family Advocacy Committee, Alys Ratigan.
- Hear about the Juvenile Detention Alternative Initiative through the Annie E. Casey Foundation, Liz Heidelberger
- Hear about the re-organization of the Divisions of Mental Health and Substance Abuse and changes in prevention services, Deputy Secretary, Amy Iversen-Pollreisz
- Facilitate a forum for providers to inform the Collaborative about any program changes resulting from funding cuts so the Collaborative can be pro-active in addressing potential service gaps, Sandy Diegel
- VOTE on priorities for the Collaborative using immediate response remotes.
- Learn about ECT services offered at Regional Behavioral Health, Dr. Brett Nelson

This forum is open to anyone interested in learning more about the topics and especially for providers and consumers of mental health and substance abuse services; and personnel from medical, judicial, Indian Health Service, VA, Social Services, advocacy groups, homeless coalition/organizations; and elected officials.

Please RSVP to Shelly Adams at sadams@jtvf.org or 343-3141 by August 5.