2003 Scan Presentation

Health and Public Assistance

Alcohol, Drug, and Mental Health Services
Children & Families Commission
Child Support Services
Public Health
Social Services

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Scan Overview

• What is “access”?
• What are the implications of insufficient access?
• How have County and interagency efforts increased access?
• What initiatives are being explored to improve access?
Critical Issue: Access to Services

What is “access”? 
- Information and Referral 
- Geographic 
- Hours 
- Language, Ethnicity, Culture 
- Insurance and Funding Sources 
- Specialized care 
- Lack of or inadequate facilities
Percent Uninsured, Ages 0-64
Selected California Counties 2001

Health insurance is key to accessing health care.

Source: 2001 California Health Interview Survey
Non-Assistance Food Stamps Access

Staffing:
- FY 01 02: 19 EWs, 3 Sups
- 'Feb 2003: 14 EWs, 2 Sups
- Projected 03/04: 5

- Food Stamp Intake
- Food Stamp Active

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22.8% of SB County Adults below 200% of Poverty are “Food Insecure”.

Source: 2001 California Health Interview Survey
Medi-Cal Access

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**Legend:**
- Orange: Medi-Cal Intake Cases
- Green: Active Medi-Cal Cases
- Gray: Eligibility Workers
Workforce Resource Center
Visitor Comparison: 2001-02 to 2002-03
Critical Issue: Access to Services

What are the implications of insufficient access? Increases in...

- Emergency Room Visits
- Public Assistance
- Homeless
- Out-of-Home Placements
- Incarcerations
- Health Problems
- Increased demand for services at CBO’s
- Unemployment
Critical Issue: Access to Services

How have we increased access?

- Leveraging and integrating funding, planning, and service delivery
  - TSAC
  - Prop 10
  - EPSDT
  - Prop 36
  - Title IV-E
  - MAA/TCM
Critical Issue: Access to Services

- Access to health care increased through new and leveraged funding sources
  - Dental
  - Primary & Specialty Care
  - Hospital Inpatient/Outpatient Care
  - Addiction and Mental Health Services
- New services available such as WEB home visitation
- Partnerships with CBO’s leverages County dollars to bring access to greater numbers
- Job access through Workforce Resource Center
New Funding Sources to Improve Access
Prop 10, TSAC, EPSDT, Title IV-E
FY 1998-99 through 2002-03

- Dental: $1,113,346
- Alcohol, Drug, Tobacco Services: $2,926,000
- Medical Care: $3,895,788
- Children's MH Svcs: $7,469,462
Critical Issue: Access to Services

Initiatives being explored:

- Pursuing Local and statewide propositions on access
  - LA County Prop B
  - Maddy Fund
  - Alcohol and Tobacco Tax revenue for services
  - Child welfare system redesign
  - Entitlement services for seriously mentally ill

- Looking beyond traditional health funding sources
  - Public/Private partnerships (Unitarian Society of SB initiative)
  - Creative Leveraging (Children’s Foundation)
  - Proposed non-wine alcoholic beverage fee for adolescent svcs
Critical Issue: Access to Services

Initiatives being explored:

- Alternative service delivery approaches
  - Asset-based service planning
  - Neighborhood-oriented services
  - In-home support
  - Mental health crisis and detox facilities

- Information access
  - 2-1-1
  - Increased cross training

- In-county residential crisis care for children
Information Access: The Future

• 211 is a free, bilingual information line, connecting people to community, social, health and government services.

We're somewhere in-between.
Summary

• Access is our most critical issue.
• Access has been increased by successfully pursuing alternative funding sources
• Creative initiatives are being explored to maintain funding necessary to ensure access
• We must build on these efforts to meet our Section 17000 mandate to ensure access and to protect the health and welfare of County residents