

## Research and Evaluation Committee Meeting Agenda

Wednesday, September 1, 2021

9:00 AM – 12:00 PM

MHSOAC: Zoom Teleconference

Note: The meeting audio will be recorded.

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### Meeting Purpose and Goals:

- Convene the Committee to advise the MHSOAC's Research and Evaluation Division on a strategy to evaluate the impact of MHSOAC programs and services on children and youth.
  - Review and provide guidance on a proposed plan for evaluating Triage Crisis Services Program outcomes (summative evaluation).

TIME	TOPIC	Agenda Item
9:00 AM	<p><b>Welcome</b></p> <p><i>Commissioners Dr. Itai Danovitch, Chair &amp; Ken Berrick, Vice Chair</i></p> <p>Welcome, opening remarks and review of the agenda.</p>	
9:10 AM	<p><b>Action: Approval of Meeting Minutes</b></p> <p><i>Commissioner Dr. Itai Danovitch, Chair</i></p> <p>The Research and Evaluation Committee will consider approval of the minutes from the June 17, 2021 meeting teleconference.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Public comment</b></li> <li>• <b>Vote</b></li> </ul>	1
9:20 AM	<p><b>Information: Triage Crisis Services - An Overview of the Triage Grant Program and Preliminary Findings from the Evaluation of Triage Program Implementation</b></p> <p><i>Presenters:</i>  <i>Tom Orrock, MHSOAC Chief of Operations and Grants Division</i>  <i>Kai LeMasson, PhD, MHSOAC Senior Researcher</i></p> <p>Commission staff will provide background and description of the SB 82/833 Triage Grant Program and discuss the preliminary findings from the statewide formative and process evaluations.</p>	2

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<b>9:45 AM</b>	<p><b>Information: An Approach to Statewide Evaluation with an Application to Triage Programs</b></p> <p><i>Presenters:</i>  <i>Mike Howell, UC Research and Data Integration Manager</i>  <i>Denis Hulett, MS, MHSOAC Researcher</i>  <i>Heike Thiel de Bocanegra, PhD, MPH, MHSOAC Researcher Manager</i></p> <p>Commission staff will describe the data infrastructure the Commission has developed through partnerships with state agencies to link statewide data. A plan for evaluating Triage Program outcomes (summative evaluation) will be presented and can serve as an overarching strategy for evaluating children &amp; youth programs.</p>	<b>3</b>
<b>10:30 AM</b>	<b>Break</b>	
<b>10:40 AM</b>	<p><b>Action: Triage Summative Evaluation Plan</b></p> <p>Through facilitated discussion, committee members and stakeholders will provide feedback on the summative evaluation plan presented in agenda item #3. The Committee will receive public comment and then vote on whether to endorse the proposed summative evaluation plan, perhaps with recommendations for improvements.</p> <p><u>Discussion Questions:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Regarding the Commission’s data infrastructure, are there major outcome domains or variables missing? What are your recommendations?</li> <li>2. What are your thoughts on the Triage Summative Evaluation plan?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are we asking important evaluation questions? What suggestions do you have for improving the framing of those questions, given our charge to conduct a statewide evaluation of highly heterogeneous grant programs?</li> <li>• Given the program and data constraints, how would you suggest we refine our methods to answer these important evaluation questions?</li> <li>• What suggestions do you have for improving the evaluation of the next round of Triage grants?</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. How can we improve this evaluation’s attention to equity issues?             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Public comment</b></li> <li>• <b>Vote</b></li> </ul> </li> </ol>	<b>4</b>
<b>11:45 AM</b>	<p><b>Wrap-Up</b></p> <p><i>Commissioner Dr. Itai Danovitch, Chair</i></p>	
<b>12:00 PM</b>	<b>Adjourn</b>	

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