Telling Our Story With Data

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Tribal Data Workgroup:

In March 2008 - Planning group convened

- Meets bi-monthly
- Consists of Tribal BH programs, and
- State and federal program representatives
- Open to any interested person or organization
- Receives support from HSD and BHSD
- Reports activities to BHPC
Purpose of the Tribal Data Workgroup:

- “Normalize” the conversation about data
- OSAP and other agencies specify using data-driven planning processes
- Address tribal concerns about “research” and “evaluation”
- Build capacity in tribal communities
- Develop a Native-driven approach
- Teach non-Native agencies how it should be done
Who’s in our Circle?

- UNM Center for Rural and Community Behavioral Health Services
- DOH Office of Substance Abuse Prevention
- Tafoya & Associates
- Indian Health Services Behavioral Health Programs
- Value Options, NM
- Southwest Tribal EPI Center
- DOH EPI Department
- LC 14
- Isleta Pueblo, Jicarilla Apache, To’Hajiilee,
- Santa Clara Pueblo, Acoma Pueblo
Activities To Date:

April 2008
- Present to the BHPC

March 2008
- Plan, Coordinate and Access refunds for TDW
- Revise data guide

May 2008
- First TDW meeting

July 2008
- Begin draft of Guidebook

September 2008
- Make site visits to tribes

November 2008
- Prepare draft of final version on Guidebook
Issues to Consider:

- IRB & MOA
- Data access
- Repository for all Tribal Data
- Lack of Native Evaluators, EPI, Data specific
- Tribal Infrastructure: MIS & Internet access
- Training and Technical Assistance
Outputs vs. Outcomes

- **Outputs** = measure the amount or volume of services/activities
- **Outputs** = answers the questions “how much or how often”

- **Outcomes** = measure the impact of the process
- **Outcomes** = assess a change in knowledge, behavior, or conditions that resulted from specific actions or activities (services that are part of your program)
Measurable Outcomes:

- Define objectives that can lead to outcomes that are measurable:
  - *Who* (are you going to serve or target; and who is expected to change)?
  - *What / how* (much change or benefit is expected)?
  - *Where* (will change occur)?
  - *When* (will change occur)?
Treatment Outcomes:

- Sobriety and/or mental health
- Active employment and/or education
- Social connectedness
- Physical health and well being
- Stable housing
- Compliance with probation/parole and/or no involvement in criminal activities
Treatment Outcomes:

- Measure over time as linked to objectives (Baseline, Six month, 12 month, Discharge); N=65 percentage of clients did not use in the past 30 days

Abstinence from Alcohol and Drugs
Prevention Outcomes:

RISK FACTORS
- Fighting
- Disruptive school behaviors
- Substance Abuse

RESILIENCY FACTORS
- School attendance and grades
- Positive peer relationships
- Bonding to school, family, community
Prevention Outcomes: 30 Day Alcohol Use 2007-2008
Prevention Outcomes: 30 Day Tobacco Use 2007-2008

- Non Native
- Apache
- Pueblo
- Navajo
- Other Native
- Comparison

Legend:
- Before
- After
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A Guide for and by the Tribes of New Mexico
Next Steps:

- Develop Data Guidebook to include feedback from the Tribes and others;
- Develop two Guidebook Versions:
  - For Tribes
  - For non-Tribal agencies/organizations
- Develop plan for providing training and technical assistance to tribes on Using Data to Plan and Program Evaluation 101
- Work with Tribal Leaders to plan appropriate protocols for data sharing, gathering and disseminating information
- Continue collecting feedback from others (including you)
Any Questions/Comments?

Thank you!

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