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State Budget Issues

These are challenging times for Californians. Providers are facing possible severe reductions in public funding, and a proposal to eliminate ADP also causes concern about the impacts to clients in our delivery system. We recognize that the uncertainty caused by current budget proposals is stressful. On top of that, ADP is unable to reimburse CARE providers for current services until a new state budget is enacted.

However, please don't let up on your efforts! It is important to keep enrolling clients,* engaging them in services, and billing promptly for all services appropriately provided. We don't want to return any surplus funds from ATR 2 and then have to defend our claim that California needs additional money for ATR 3.

Thank you for your continued perseverance and dedication during these challenging times.

* If your organization has reached its client cap but is able to serve additional clients, please contact one of the CARE staff and we will consider an increase.

ATR 3

We optimistically await word (hopefully by August) on whether California will receive a third ATR grant. If awarded ATR/CARE 3:

- ADP will notify current providers, who will need to reapply via a streamlined application to be posted on the CARE website;
- Client services will begin within 60 days of the award notification.
- In addition to youth, CARE 3 will target service members and/or veterans ages 18-25.**
- CARE 3 will utilize case managers (not affiliated with any treatment or recovery support provider) to orient clients, request vouchers, ensure access to services, and collect GPRA data.

For a discussion related to ATR/CARE 3, please join us for the provider call on July 14, 2010.

If your organization plans to serve active military and/or veterans, you will need to provide documentation with your application that staff are qualified by training and/or education to provide such services. Therefore, we highly encourage you to take advantage of the online course *Understanding the Language of Warriors: Substance Abuse Treatment for Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans*** mentioned further on in this newsletter under *Provider Training*.

CARE 2 Close-Out

Just a reminder that, unless an extension is granted by SAMHSA, the current CARE grant will expire on September 29, 2010. Therefore, the following steps have been taken to assist with closing out CARE 2:

- All vouchers have an end date no later than September 29, 2010. If the grant period is extended, providers may be able to request voucher extensions.
- Beginning August 1, 2010, vouchers with no billing activity for 14 days will be closed and there will be no recourse.
- As of May 31, 2010, methamphetamine vouchers are no longer available.

Clients Served & Funds Redeemed (as of 7/12/10)

- Total clients served: 6,268 (goal is 6,900)
- Voucher funds redeemed: \$9,360,657 (of \$11.5 million available)
- Vouchers funds obligated (issued) but not redeemed: \$1,574,689

Monthly Provider Call

The next provider call will be held Wednesday, July 14, 2010 from 11 am to noon. Our May and June calls were a huge success and we encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity. You can ask questions, provide input, and share with your peers. ADP and Call Center staff will be available to answer any questions you may have.

To participate:

Dial: (866) 703-9405

Enter: 790714

Provider Training

Understanding the Language of Warriors: Substance Abuse Treatment for Iraq and Afghanistan Veterans

This on-line course will begin July 26, 2010 and run for four weeks. The required time commitment is two hours per week (8 contract hours). The cost is between \$60 and \$100 depending on your professional certification/status. For the course announcement, click here: <http://www.browndlp.org/dlpanouncement.php?course=160>

**We want
your
success
stories!**

Please forward to ADP with the Client Consent Form located on the CARE website under "Provider Info".

Provider Training (continued)

Free Grant Writing Training/Webinars

We cannot emphasize enough the importance of working towards sustainability, especially during these unpredictable fiscal times. Every organization needs support to keep up with budget cuts and other financial burdens.

To assist provider organizations beyond the CARE grant, ADP encourages all CARE providers to watch three Grant Writing Webinars that were originally held during May 2010. The sessions were conducted by the Hawaii Access to Recovery (ATR) program, along with SAMHSA and Altarum Institute. This three-part series was so highly endorsed by participants; they have been posted to the Internet for all ATR providers to view.

To Access

Log-on to <http://events.signup4.com/atrhawaii> and select "**Background Materials**" from the top menu bar to view all three sessions along with the training materials.

Each two-hour webinar should be viewed in order as there are homework tasks to be completed between sessions.

You will need the most up-to-date version of Adobe Flash Player. To download, click here <http://get.adobe.com/flashplayer/>.