



Innovative Projects

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Innovative Project Requirements

Innovative Projects contribute to learning

Innovation (INN) Projects must do one of the following:

- Introduce a mental health practice or approach that is new to the system
- Makes a change to an existing practice in the field of mental health
- Introduces a new application of a successful non-mental health promising community-driven practice/approach to the mental health system

INN Project Requirements (cont'd)

Primary Purpose:

- Increase access to mental health services
- Increase access to mental health services to underserved populations
- Increase the quality of mental health services, including measurable outcomes
- Promote interagency and community collaboration

INN Project Requirements (cont'd)

Project must align with the MHSA General Standards:

- Community Collaboration
- Cultural Competence
- Client Driven
- Family Driven
- Wellness, Recovery and Resilience Focus
- Integrated Service Experience

INN Project Requirements (cont'd)

- Time-limited; not more than 5 years
- Time frame is based on complexity of the approach and evaluation of the approach
- If successful, County may continue the project but must transition it to another funding category
- Requires MHSOAC approval