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What is the LA Model?

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Implementation Team

- Seven Probation Staff
- One DMH Staff
- One LACOE Staff



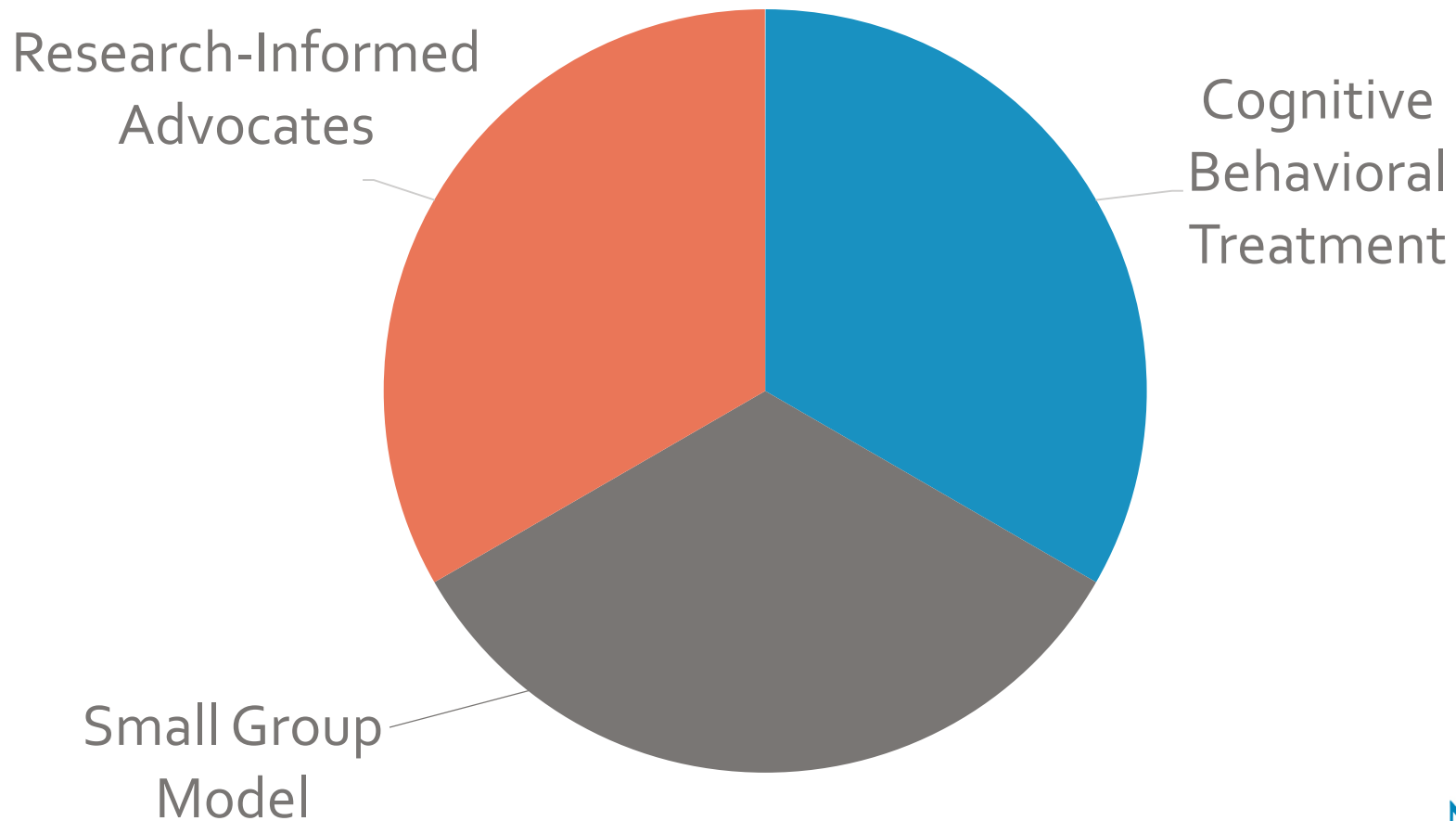
“Team of 12”



- Four Advocates
- Four Probation Staff
- Four Board of Supervisor’s Staff
- One Union Staff
- One DMH Staff
- One LACOE Staff

What is the LA Model?

LA Model Treatment



Youth Clothing

- School uniform
- Recreation clothing
- Shoes
- Laundry



Staff Clothing



- No badges
- No boots
- No military resemblance
- Business-casual clothing
- Professional identification for public outings

How will the LA Model support parent engagement?

- Provide transportation
- Family orientation
- Define “family”
- Family bill of rights
- Family advocate/family engagement coordinator





How do we change the culture?

LA Model Core Characteristics

- Small groups/cottages
- Individual attention
- Safety
- Parents as partners
- Aftercare planning and support
- Skills support



Assumptions of the Treatment Model



- People are doing the best they can.
- People/youth want to improve.
- People need to do better and try harder to change.
- People may not have caused all their problems, but they have to solve them anyway.
- Teens and families must learn and practice new behaviors in all aspects of their life.

Five Basic Functions of Treatment



1. Enhancing capabilities
2. Improving motivation
3. Ensuring generalization of skills
4. Structuring the environment
5. Enhancing provider skills and motivation

Core Components

- Individual therapy
- Skills training
- Consultation group
- Milieu in residential setting





What does the LA Model provide to youth?

How will the LA Model improve youth outcomes?

- Staff work together and speak the same treatment language
- DMH provides mental health services
- DHS provides physicals to youth
- Staff teach skills and offer support
- RTSA provides education and credit recovery options



How will the LA Model build on youth's skills?

- Pro-social activities and hobbies
- Emphasis on positive youth development
- Community programs that support youth's strengths
- Individualized, behavior-focused intervention with supplemental case planning





What will make the LA Model
successful?

Staff



- Dedicated to a therapeutic approach
- Open-minded
- Consistent
- Departments work together
- Departments train together as one unit
- Schedules accommodate regular check-ins

Assessments

Goals

- One assessment per decision
- Review current assessments for appropriateness

Agree to move to two assessments

- Camp placement
- Camp services for youth





How will we name the cottages?

Thank you!

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