



Innovation Project Submission Process

A Tool Kit for Counties

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MHSA INN Regulations require Innovative Projects to either:

- Introduce a new practice or approach to the overall mental health system, including, but not limited to, prevention and early intervention
- Make a change to an existing practice in the field of mental health, including but not limited to, application to a different population
- Apply a promising community driven practice or approach that has been successful in a non-mental health context or setting to the mental health system
- Support participation in a housing program designed to stabilize a person's living situation while also providing supportive services on-site



Primary Purpose of the Innovation Project

- Increase access to underserved groups
- Increase the quality of mental health services
- Promote interagency and community collaboration
- Increase access to mental health services, including, but not limited to, services provided through permanent supportive housing





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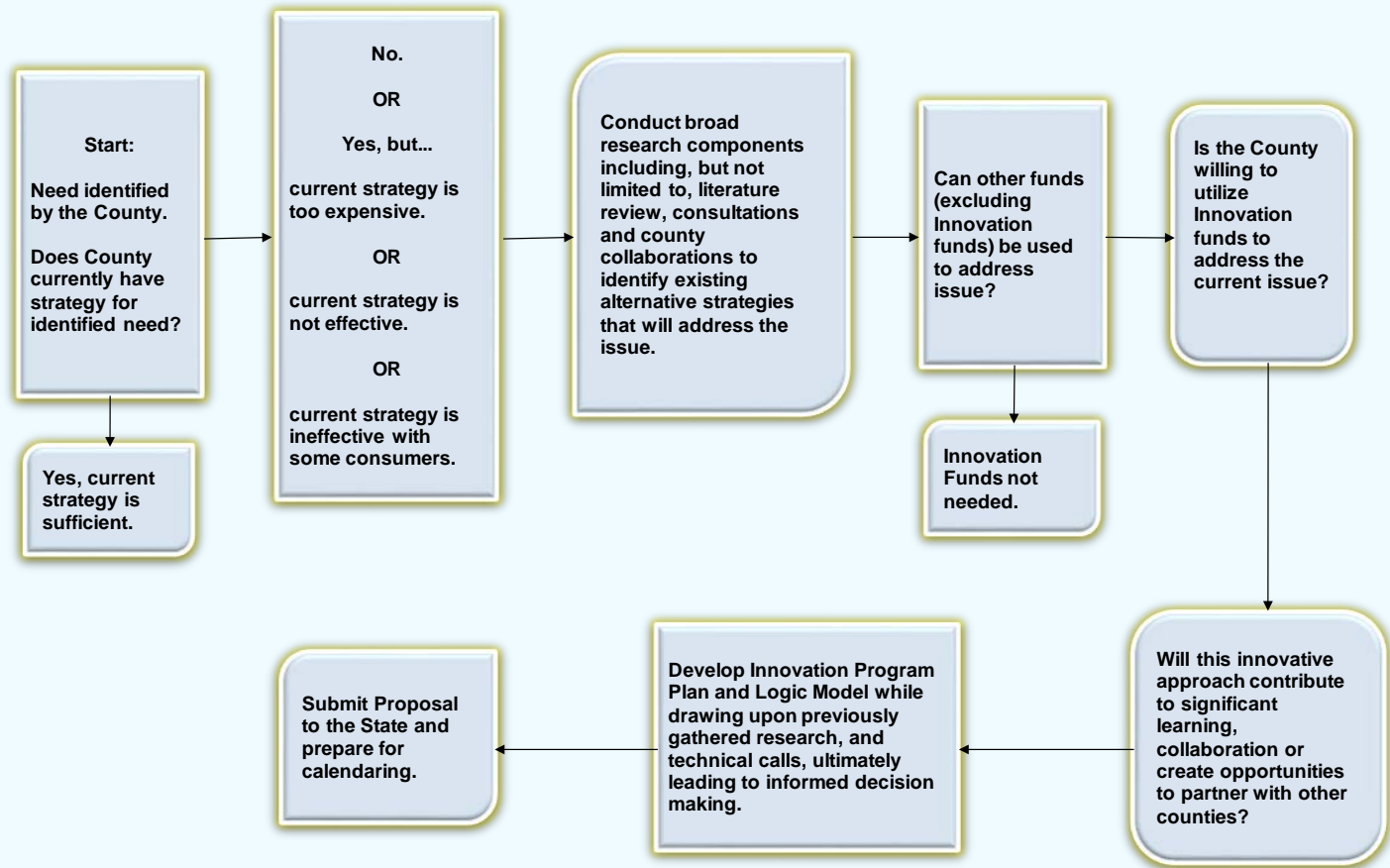


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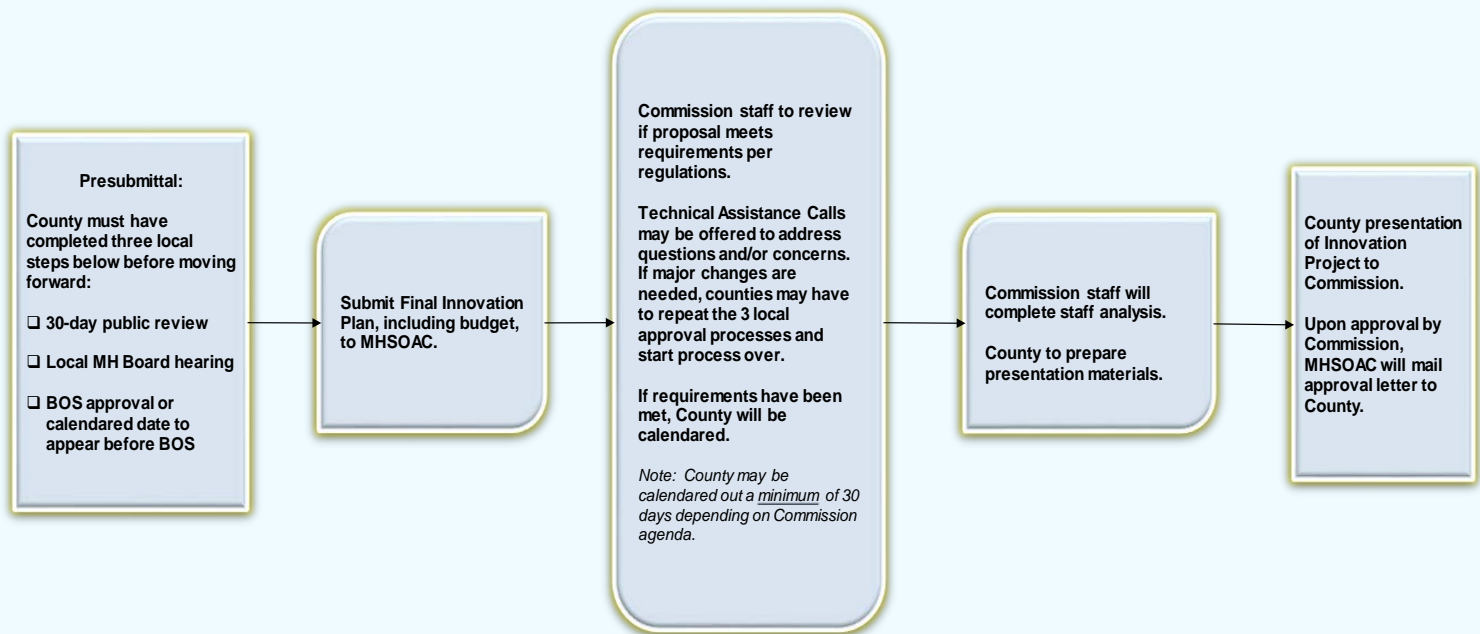
- Innovation Framework Decision Tree
 - Provides information and guidance on how to design an Innovation Project
- MHSOAC Innovation Review Process
 - Visual guide of MHSOAC workflow
- Innovation Project Plan Recommended Template
 - Document will assist counties to ensure minimum requirements are met
- Commission Meeting Recommendations
 - Guides counties on how to present their projects to the full Commission, if required



Innovation Framework Decision Tree



Innovation Review Process



Project Plan : Recommended Template

- Application Checklist
 - 30 day public comment period
 - Local Mental Health Board Hearing
 - BOS approval or prospective date to be calendared
 - Desired Presentation Date with Commission
 - ◆ (if full Commission presentation is required)

- Section 1 – Regulations
 - General Requirement
 - Primary Purpose



Project Plan : Recommended Template (cont'd)

- Section 2 – Project Overview
 - What is the challenge / need?
 - What is the proposed project?
 - How many individuals will be served?
 - What does the County hope to learn?
 - ◆ Do the learning objectives have outcomes that can be measured, and do they coincide with the primary purpose?
- Section 3 – Additional Regulatory Requirements
 - CPP; Stakeholder involvement; Cultural Competence
 - Evaluation
 - Sustainability



Project Plan : Recommended Template (cont'd)

- Section 4 – Budget / Expenditure Sources
 - Budget narrative
 - Budget by Fiscal Year and budget category
 - Leveraging of funds
 - ◆ Federal Financial Participation
 - ◆ Other MHSA funding sources
 - ◆ 1991 Realignment
 - Sustainability of proposed project
 - Indicate whether funds subject to reversion are being used



Innovations: Things to consider

- An innovative project may affect any aspect of mental health practices or evaluate a new or changed application to solving mental health challenges. Examples may include:
 - Administrative, governance, processes and procedures
 - Education and training for service providers
 - Advocacy
 - Services and interventions
 - Research
- There is no such thing as a FAILED project
 - There is learning in what doesn't work
 - Allows counties to take a risk by testing or trying new ideas



Commission Meeting Recommendations*

■ Presenters

- Recommend between 2-4 presenters per project
- County encouraged to bring support for public comment
- Brief biography of presenters to include name, title, and area of expertise in relation to the project

■ Presentation

- Presentation should be between 10-15 minutes
- Recommend 5 slides to include the following:
 - ◆ Presenting Problem / Need
 - ◆ Proposed project to address the need
 - ◆ What is innovative about the project? How will the project be evaluated?
 - ◆ Budget
 - ◆ Sustainability

** Meeting Recommendations subject to change dependent upon type of project approval and discretion of Commission Chair*



Innovation Dashboard

Quick Snapshot: August 2020

UNDER REVIEW	Final Proposals Received	Draft Proposals Received	TOTALS
Number of Projects	6	10	16
Participating Counties (unduplicated)	2	5	7
Dollars Requested	\$5,409,349	\$7,477,647	\$12,886,996

PREVIOUS PROJECTS	Reviewed	Approved	Total INN Dollars Approved	Participating Counties
FY 2015-2016	N/A	23	\$52,534,133	15 (25%)
FY 2016-2017	33	30	\$68,634,435	18 (31%)
FY 2017-2018	34	31	\$149,219,320	19 (32%)
FY 2018-2019	53	53	\$303,143,420	32 (54%)
FY 2019-2020	28	28	\$62,258,683	19 (32%)

TO DATE	Reviewed	Approved	Total INN Dollars Approved	Participating Counties
FY 2020-2021				

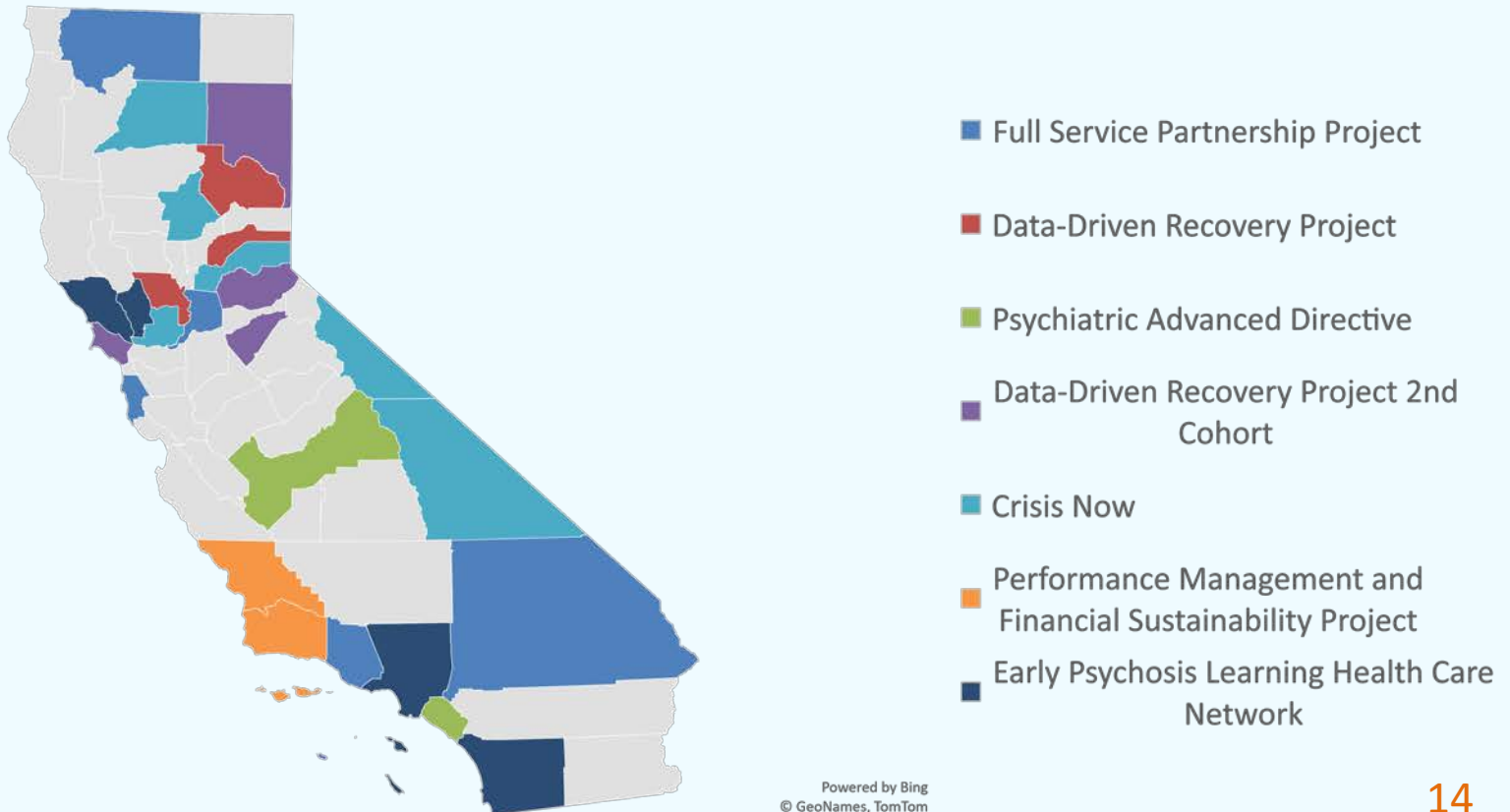
Total number of counties that have presented an INN Project since 2013:	Average Time from Final Proposal Submission to Commission Deliberation [†] :	[†] This excludes extensions of previously approved projects, Tech Suite additions, and government holidays. FY: Fiscal Year (July 1 st – June 30 th)
57 (97%)	52 days	



Innovation Incubator Update

- Multi-County Opportunities for Collaborative Innovation Projects
- Innovation Systems Change Project

Distribution of MHSOAC INN Incubator Projects



Q & A

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