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Access

-IACP partnered with staff to develop a webinar for IDOC staff based upon the curriculum developed earlier in the grant cycle. The training will be hosted by IDOC staff and available to staff from IDOC on an on demand basis.

-IACP staff has developed an outline for the IDOC offender guide. The intent is for IDOC staff to be able to offer offenders a tool during their re-entry to identify strategies, resources and to decrease recidivism.

Effectiveness

-8 agencies received training and 6 agencies received technical assistance during the reporting period. As many Residential Care Facilities are transitioning to Home and Community Based Services an increased need for training and individual consultation has risen among these service providers. IACP is currently working with a workgroup of these agencies (22) to assist with transition both from a service provision and technical perspective.

-Developed presentation and presented at statewide BIA-IA conference with parent of child who experienced brain injury. Presentation was well received and parent was asked to present at two other conferences as a result.

Efficiency

-IACP coordinated an initial BI 101 training at the MHI in Cherokee and is working with staff there to set up two additional web based trainings on Screening Tools for Brain Injury and Behavioral Interventions within the next quarter.

-IACP through a contract with IME is offering technical assistance statewide to HCBS waiver and habilitation service providers. This has included technical assistance on provision of behavioral related services and family counseling and training.

-IACP has been awarded a contract to administer statewide expansion of the College of Direct Supports. Met with partners from Direct Course to discuss re-development of their brain injury courses and the possibility of creating more content with partners for brain injury service providers.