

Join Up with EAGALA and County Mental Health Programs

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A perspective regarding EAGALA joining with County Mental Health departments. This is a dream/goal for many who have EAGALA programs. This training will outline the process of implementing EAGALA in a County Mental Health system (and possibly other agencies). Included will be from beginning idea, preparation before the County, pilot programs and outcome measures utilized, finalizing contracts and process for providing services throughout the County. In addition, areas to be addressed include promotions, negotiating purchase orders, logistics moving forward with the County, defining roles/ ES and MHand addressing obstacles.

Objective 1: learning process of Country Mental Health joining with EAGALA

Objective 2: MH perspective and steps taken in process

Objective 3: ES perspective and steps taken in process

Presenter Bios:

Abby has been involved with horses from birth to the present. She has shown and trained horses, given riding lessons, trail riding, horse rescue etc. Abby has been licensed as an LMFT since 1992 and has conducted clinical therapy treatment for over 32 years. Her passion is horses and assisting people to move forward in life.

Robin Kilcoyne: In 1998 I began training horses and teaching children and adults with special needs how to ride horses and created Queen of Hearts Therapeutic Riding Center. Queen of Hearts is a PATH Intl Premier Accredited Center, and I am a PATH Certified Therapeutic Riding Instructor and Equine Specialist in Mental Health and Learning. I am certified as an Advanced EAGALA Facilitator with a Military Services designation, a VA Peer Support Specialist, and trained in Rapid Resolution Therapy. I retired from the Army as a Sergeant Major and currently serve as the Chairperson of the Inland Empire Women Veteran Collaborative.