



YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES

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Successes and Barriers

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Valencia County RAC- 12 New Intakes –11 carried over

March has been an evenly paced month as far as referrals go. Many of the referrals that I received from the school had already been seen at the time of incident. I was able to do more follow up with students at the school and complete second JIFFs on them. On quick review of those second JIFFs there is evidence that improvements have taken place since RAC met with them and became involved. Although over about a 6 month period some of the students that had referrals to RAC had a second referral either from the school or from parent. They still showed improvement in the JIFF.

I was able to meet with parents and provide them with help during the process of waiting for their letters from probation and make sure that they were attending those PI's. Overall I believe I have been successful in helping families get the interventions they need in place in a timely manner and they have followed through with those interventions in nearly all cases.

I have been able to work with the providers and we are working to keep track of number of referrals to each provider and the follow through by the families.

The biggest barrier that I see at this time is many of the students that I am seeing are pending long term hearing with the school and are being suspended for more than 2 months. At this time I am try to work with truancy to see how many students there are here in Los Lunas that are suspended until next year. Of the students that RAC has seen and had contact with there are about 10-15 that are either suspended until Aug of 2015 and or Jan of 2016.

Another barrier that is starting to slow things down is that my providers are filling up and it is going to take longer to get families into services for therapy or assessments. I will continue to look for new providers that can work with our families.