

**Forensic Forum April, 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>, 2016**  
**Group Discussion Questions**

**DAY 1**

**GROUP/TABLE DISCUSSION: RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT-SERVICES AND SUPPORTS**

- What additional resources do you need? Please list in order of priority.
- What supports do you need to develop these resources?
- How can you maximize available partner resources (i.e., mental health, DHCS) to develop the needed resources? List strategies:
- Considering the demographics of your forensically involved population, how do you think your regional center can best meet their needs?
- Are there existing opportunities for development of treatment facilities to address the waiting list issue? Please elaborate.
- How would you facilitate specialized trainings to direct care staff to serve the forensically involved clients?

**DAY 2**

**GROUP/TABLE DISCUSSION: MENTAL HEALTH COURTS, FORENSIC EXPERTISE AND COLLABORATIVE RELATIONSHIPS**

**A. Forensic expertise/collaborative relationships**

- In last year's forum, it was identified that a forensic expertise is a necessity for effective management of forensic cases, how do you think you can develop this expertise in your regional center?
- For those regional centers that already have the above resource, how do you think this expertise can be developed in the regional centers that don't have it yet?
- What do you think is the best model for managing forensically involved cases? Consultant based (i.e., POS or OPS contract)? Or Case carrying (service coordinator, forensic specialist?)
- How do you establish or strengthen an interagency collaboration?
- What steps can be taken to establish cross trainings?

**B. Mental Health Courts**

- How can you establish or strengthen your regional center's relationship with the Mental Health Court system?
- What steps are necessary to establish or strengthen the infrastructure for shared cases (RCs, MHCs, PD, DA, Probation and County Mental Health)?