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California Association of Alcohol and Drug Program Executive, Inc. Selected for Second Phase in Enhancing Recovery Services in Underserved Communities

Sacramento, CA – Building upon the remarkable success of the Health Equity in Behavioral Health Recovery Services (HEAR US) project, the California Association of Alcohol and Drug Program Executive, Inc. (CAADPE) is proud to announce its selection for the crucial next phase of this groundbreaking initiative, entitled “Implementing a High Standard of Care in Recovery Services in Underserved Communities in California.” This ambitious project, generously funded by the California Department of Health Care Services, and administered by The Center at Sierra Health Foundation (The Center), aims to dramatically improve access to care and foster health equity across the state.

“We are honored to lead the way in this transformative second phase of enhancing recovery services in underserved communities across California,” said Robb Layne, Executive Director of CAADPE. “This award is a recognition of the hard work and dedication that went into our previous work and research during the first phase of the project. This next phase represents a significant step forward in our ongoing mission to ensure that every individual struggling with substance use disorder receives the comprehensive, compassionate, and culturally responsive care they deserve. CAADPE remains committed to not only meeting but exceeding the high standards of care we set, and we look forward to working closely with our partner programs to make a lasting impact on many lives.”

“We are grateful for the opportunity to continue the impactful work we began in partnership with CAADPE and the dedicated teams at the Sierra Health Foundation,” said Erick Guerrero, Ph.D. for Research to End Healthcare Disparities (REHD) Corp. “This collaboration is strategic, not only in strengthening our system of care, but also in guaranteeing that all communities, especially the underserved, are fully represented and supported in the ongoing battle against substance misuse. We are confident that these programs will serve as a pivotal intervention in setting new standards for care and inclusivity within the field.”

In this pivotal second phase, CAADPE will leverage its extensive expertise to provide targeted implementation support, onsite assistance, and a host of critical resources to small and medium-sized substance use disorder (SUD) treatment programs. Our clear

goal is to elevate the standard of care and ensure that every Californian in need has access to comprehensive, culturally responsive, and effective recovery services.

This initiative will empower three strategically located SUD treatment programs to deploy innovative, actionable strategies designed to meet the unique needs of their cultural communities. These strategies include the integration of culturally responsive and whole-person services, facilitation of low-barrier access to care, incorporation of peer support, and adoption of evidence-based harm reduction approaches. Each participating program is committed to delivering exceptional care to at least 50 eligible clients annually, setting a new benchmark for excellence in treatment.

A cornerstone of this initiative is the establishment of robust protocols and the meticulous documentation of outcomes, which will lay the groundwork for the creation of a center for excellence in SUD treatment. This center will serve as a beacon of hope and a source of evidence for the entire field.

The selection of CAADPE for this significant phase is a testament to the organization's unwavering commitment to advancing the quality of SUD treatment in California. This commitment was notably demonstrated in the first phase of the project in which CAADPE's insightful white paper set a high standard for comprehensive analysis and strategic vision in the realm of SUD treatment, ultimately leading to its exclusive selection for the next stage of the project.

For more information about CAADPE's initiatives and to access the influential white paper produced in the first phase, please click [HERE](#).