

Feedback from Floor

Scenarios

Scenario One

Issues

- Grief and loss.
- Drugs.
- Hear voices (psychosis).
- Island born.
- Need more info from family.
- May use drugs to self-medicate.
- Explore grandfather's advice.
- Cultural experiences.
- Access cultural Matua/Kaumatua.
- PTSD
- Cultural shock?
- Lost contact with extended families.
- Developmental stage.
- Identity low self esteem.

- Grief response.
- Hanging out with delinquent peers.
- Marijuana use – self-medicate.
- ?drug induced psychosis
- Need more information from family – their perspective
- Involve cultural advisor from beginning.

- Family issues.
- Cultural assessment.
- Youth worker.
- Spiritual experiences.

Principles

- Thorough assessment.
- Good information needed at referral – family breakdown perspective.
- Involve a cultural advisor from the beginning.
- Consider his education and adjustment from Samoa to NZ
- Consider developmental context.
- Need for youth workers for engagement.
- Careful cultural assessment e.g. Fono Fale model → also informs intervention.

Feedback

- Drug induced psychosis – pot trauma related to loss HX mental health family.
- Grief issues – loss of grandfather, more explanation.
- Post T-D-D
- Cultural intervention – not happy with the service, not comfortable, seeing his dead granddad.
- Grief loss of a friend, main supporter counselor.
- Language cultural issues, coping skills, psychosis induce.
- Values / process, information
- At point of contact with the service
- Grief – loss of someone close.
- Using drug use for relief – with negative effects.
- No positive role model.

Scenario Two

Issues

- Family history
- Drug and alcohol?
- Spiritual
- The meaning of this experience rather than quick to pathologies.
- Understand cultural background.
- If you were back in the islands what will you do? What do you use?
- Family will come up with their own answers.
- Peer relationships.

Principles

- Be open to all possibilities
- Work with the young person and their families regarding intervention choices
- May include traditional healing

Feedback

- Assess family dynamics, physical mental health environment, from commencement of symptoms.
- Poor referral.
- Treatment → Fofu
- Explore underlying issues
- Gifted
- Pleasant experience
- Cultural Faifeau – part of the assessment.