

Alameda County Mental Health Advisory Board APPROVED Minutes
May 8, 2017 ♦ 12:00pm-2:00pm
The Redwood Room, 1100 San Leandro Blvd., San Leandro, CA. 94577

Meeting called to order @ 12:01PM by Chair Alane Friedrich

Roll Call/Introduction of Guests

Mental Health Board Members:

Present: Chair Alane Friedrich, Vice-Chair Jaseon Outlaw, Brian Bloom, Lynna Do, Luvenia Jones, Sheldon Koiles, Carole Peck

Excused: Secretary, Diane Wydler; Ernest Hardmon, Lorene Kiger

BHCS Staff: Interim Director, Don Kingdon; Interim Deputy Director, James Wagner; Quality Management Director, Rudy Arrieta; MHAB Liaison, Sarah Linder; Recording Secretary, Nina Hinton; Rashad Eady, Ethnic Services

ITEM	DISCUSSION	ACTION
Roll Call / Introductions	Introductions were made. A special welcome was given to the newest member attending the MHAB.	
Emergency Action	None.	
Approval Minutes	The minutes of April 10, 2017, were approved.	Minutes Passed 1 Abstention
Emergency Action	None.	
Correspondence	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Berkeley/Albany Mental Health Commission Agenda-Minutes • POCC May 2017 Calendar 	
Announcements	None.	
Director's Report	<p>Interim Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HCSA Director recruitment is open • BHCS Deputy Director recruitment is open • Discussed anticipated budget challenges and impacts because of funding shifts, from the state to the county, of the In-home Support Services program. <p>Interim Deputy Director</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussed the Sequential Intercept Model (SIM): a collaborative effort to create a model that provides crisis intervention to divert persons with mental illness into community programs rather than the criminal justice system. The County is funding the training through a mapping exercise which aims to identify potential opportunities for diversion, or alternative justice and behavioral health interventions for persons with mental illness and co-occurring disorders. • The County budget was increased for hiring additional Santa Rita Jail staff that allowed the hiring of nine new FTEs. They are currently in the on-boarding process (4.5 Clinicians; 1 Prescriber-Pharm D; 1 Back-Office Clerk; 1 Line Supervisor). There will now be 28 Direct Service FTEs in the jail. <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Questions and comments ensued regarding the In-Home Support Services program</i></p>	

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<p>PRESENTATION by Quality Management Director</p>	<p>Quality Management Director reported on the Mental Health Plan (MHP) and all of the programs and services that are part of the Plan. Presented reference materials that included 1) a PowerPoint Presentation; 2) an excerpt from the MHP contract (Ex. A – Attachment I), which indicates state and federal mandates for quality management and 3) a BHCS Quality Management Program (QMP) description, which summarizes how QM organizes, how responsibilities are deployed and five goals for the fiscal year (Documents attached). Also discussed the role of the Quality Improvement Committee (QIC). Indicated that consumers, family member and Medi-Cal beneficiaries are <i>required</i> to be on the QIC Committee. Because it is a public forum, the public is encouraged to be a member and to attend.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Questions, answers and comments ensued regarding the Mental Health Plan (MHP) addressing issues such as:</p> <p>* Explanation of the cost difference between sub-acute care and hospitalizations * Explanation of the concentration of beneficiaries in various areas in Alameda County * Explained the reason for the launch of a high-cost consumer Performance Improvement Project (PIP), due to Alameda County's high beneficiary claims in relation to other counties in the state. The results will be presented in the QIC meeting within a year.</p> <p>MHAB Member referenced some of the mental health facilities specifically designed for certain ethnic groups and expressed the need to have an agency or CBO that specializes in ethnically and culturally appropriate services for the African American population, which has a heavy presence in Alameda County.</p> <p>Interim Director replied that the African American Steering Committee made recommendations to fund a program through the MHSA, to improve the existing agencies and to build capacity that has that specialty.</p> <p>Public Member asked about the Peer Navigator program which was designed to help persons make connections.</p> <p>Interim Deputy Director indicated that an RFP for the Peer Respite and Peer Navigator programs did not produce a successful bidder, therefore, the County is free to choose the Provider that will operate the service. The County is currently in that process.</p> <p>Quality Management Director indicated the importance of looking at outcomes and mentioned the bi-annual report to conduct "Consumer Perception of Care" surveys in relation to TAY services. Mentioned that statistical reports and narratives about programs are available for review.</p>	
<p>CHAIRS REPORT</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentioned the MHAB Awards Banquet on May 25, 2017. • Committees should be assembling their agendas and minutes for the 2016-17 Annual Report. 	
<p>1. Adult Committee</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Adult Committee has been addressing concerns about how the current political climate is affecting our underserved populations and what the mental health needs are. The CEO of La 	

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(AC)	Familia will present regarding the Hispanic population at the next Adult Committee meeting. Following presentations will be concerning the American Indian or Asian population. Each underserved populations' needs will be addressed.	
2. Criminal Justice Committee (CJC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The April meeting was canceled. Criminal Justice indicated that Sequential Intercept Model discussions have good synergy. In May there will be a presentation before the Health Committee and Public Safety Committee about diverting the mentally ill from jail. We will focus efforts on the 2016-17 Annual Report. 	
3. Children's Advisory Committee (CAC)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The CAC continued discussion and further development of the Proposed School Advocacy Plan. Next steps were identified; there were assignment of responsibilities, in addition to establishing timeframes for accomplishing tasks. Attendance is improving within the committee, as well. 	
4. MHAB Liaison to BHCS Committees Report	<p>QIC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Explained changes in the Foster Care system. Instead of the name Foster Care Family, the new name is Resource Family. There is standardized training, even for those already in service. Indicated that the Housing Director is talking to individuals about changing service to increase Board & Care homes for the mentally ill. <p>MHSA:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MHSA is breaking into different committees. Some committees will do site visits. MHAB Members received approval to accompany the MHSA Committee on site visits when the visits are scheduled. 	
BOARD COMMENTS	<p>MHAB Member recommended coming up with new initiatives (e.g., site visits, quality measures, etc.) with the shift in new Members and a new Executive Committee. There is room for growth, so that the MHAB stamp reaches beyond the Annual Report.</p> <p>MHAB Member indicated that there will be a ½ hour Board Member training immediately following the June 12th meeting. There will be a review of some of the important aspects of being a Board Member (Board Principals).</p>	
PUBLIC COMMENTS	<p>Public Member asked that the MHAB please address / make comments about their position, or the disposition of public comments that are made at meetings.</p>	
Adjourned 2:01 p.m. - Minutes submitted by Nina Hinton		