

**ALAMEDA COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD**  
**Adult Committee Minutes**  
**June 11, 2003**

*Meeting called to order at 6:10PM by Committee Chair Nancy Claypool*

**Present:**

*MHB Members: Nancy Claypool and Alane Friedrich*

*Public: Phyllis Sakahara*

*BHCS Staff: Peter Alevizos, Gary Spicer and Agnes Catolos*

**Discussion Items:**

*Ten Key Questions:*

*Gary Spicer presented Ten Key Questions 2001-2002, he stated that Questions 1-6 from last year's fiscal year the early section didn't really change i.e.: Mission Statement and questions. The description of system of care was only modified to reflect the addition of Prop. 36 services; structured System of Care and major service area have been updated with individual served by category of service for 2002.*

*Mr. Spicer stated that the System of Care from 01-02 was very steady. The place that there were some changes was around crisis services with the implementation of CHANGES and on the Alcohol and Other Drugs (AOD) area the implementation of Prop 36 and the MIOCR Program. Mr. Spicer noted that on page 6 the substantial additions were those 4 paragraphs in the middle of the pages CHANGES, expanded Criminal Justice Mental Health Services which is a significant expansion because the screening now takes place at booking and it increase the number of clients being served from about 1700 to 3000; MIOCR Program added in custody programming element with the transition to an outside post custody in terms of case management or certification of model program.*

*Ms. Friedrich addressed the question re: Santa Rita discharge policy if it's going to be added to the ten key questions. Ms. Friedrich would like to know the discharge policy or what's being done because she thought that the part of the problems is that there's no info when somebody's being released that's the reason they can't get medications before they are released.*

*Mr. Spicer's response was that the issue re: Santa Rita discharge policy was discussed but still not enough info; it can be added to question #10 that talks about future challenges.*

*Question #2: What has happened to the number of acute and sub-acute beds by category? Explain any changes.*

*Mr. Spicer stated that acute/sub-acute is not an issue at this point; there were no significant changes in reductions or increases in beds by capacity.*

*Question #3: Describe any changes in availability and utilization of outpatient services by type of service?*

*Mr. Spicer stated that the utilization figures were impacted by the result of either changes on MIOCR or Prop. 36 implementation other than this there is relatively a minor change in utilization.*

*Ms. Friedrich asked if Children Hospital Psychiatric Emergency Services for children will be included in this report.*

*Mr. Spicer's response was no, because Children's Hospital PES was not yet placed in year 01-02.*

*Question #4: Describe housing availability for the mentally ill in Alameda County:*

- a. Identify and describe the major housing resources and any changes in housing availability*
- b. Describe any changes undertaken to increase access to housing and improve vacancy and housing resource management.*

*Mr. Spicer stated that he added some analytical paragraph at the end of page 11 that feedback the system.*

*Question #5: Have there been significant changes in resources that affect the flow of funds and/or referrals?*

*Mr. Spicer pointed out that the CALWORKS will have some action this year as a result of the fact that the people realized there's available fund but not sure if it's going to affect the budget and in addition to CALWORKS, there's CHANGES.*

*Question #6: What priority groups have been identified for services and how are they being served?*

*Mr. Spicer stated that the system's primary area of growth right now is the EPSDT and the CBO's are the primary area of growth in providing services to children, its where the dramatic growth occurred for the last 2 or 3 years. CBO's are delivering services with an average of 40-45 per year per client while county operated children services are delivering 19-20 per year per client.*

*Sausal Creek Report:*

*Ms. Friedrich distributed and presented Sausal Creek Report. Ms. Friedrich commended Sausal Creek staff for doing a good job.*

*John George Report:*

*Ms. Friedrich distributed and presented John George Report. The committee discussed reformatting John George report to have consistency in their monthly report and be able to compare month to month data.*

*Meeting adjourned @ 8:00PM*

*Minutes submitted by: Agnes Catolos*