

**ALAMEDA COUNTY MENTAL HEALTH BOARD
ADULT COMMITTEE
March 19, 2007
1:00 – 3:00 p.m.
Alvarado-Niles Room**

MINUTES

In attendance; Dr. Peter Alevizos, Clive Chambers, Anthony Hare, Pansy Taft-Bukowski

***due to small attendance meeting discussion of topics to be discussed were informal**

Mr. Chambers discusses habitual alcoholic behavior and problems

Mr. Hare responded with Behavioral Health Services plans' to develop the detoxification and sobering station. Explained that the detoxification program to treat people intent on changing their circumstances. Mr. Hare would get Dr. Marye Thomas' report and send it via email. Mr. Chambers responded with his email address.

Mr. Hare lauded Ms.Bukowski for her prompt report on Causal Creek.

Mr. Hare sought to recognize issues and identify proper business of the Health Committee, announce said issues to the Mental Health Board. He also wanted to provide early warning signs of issues.

Mr. Hare talked about the hours of meetings that had taken place with various police agencies. Discussed the need for police liaison with authorized agents representing Mental Services agencies. Dr. Alvezios adds input regarding roles of the Adult Committee and funding as part of the MSHA

He asked if there was an oversight role for the Adult Committee with respect to programs that will be funded. He questioned how big would the role be and if it was official or unofficial. Dr. Alvezios expressed the need to come to a consensus in such an involved process. He asked what role they want to play with regard to the MSHA.

Mr. Hare agreed and considered two parts. He would use the 2nd question – the “oversight” role Dr. Alvezios included smaller represented age groups (transitional age youth) and more strongly represented groups (like Children Services), Also noted the lack of advocacy and development of certain groups.

Dr. Alvezios stated Community Services and Support had received the largest influx of funding streams. Noted other lesser groups lacking representation Work Force Development, Prevention and Early Intervention as well as, Innovative Programming.

Each is a separate process with attendant factionalization around interest groups.

Other issues discussed at the meeting;

- John George Current Reports.
- Patient Rights.

- Monitoring Mental Health Programs developed pursuant to HHSA
- The Adult Committee will continue to welcome consumer and family concerns about access to family services
- Interagency cooperation on Mental Health Issues within the county.

Causal Creek

Admissions	271
Avg. No. of Clients/24 Hours	9.7
Walk-In	146
Mental Health Referrals	107
AOD Referrals	15
OPD Referrals	3
Discharges	271
Meeting adjourned	