

**MHAB Children’s Advisory Committee (CAC) APPROVED Minutes**  
 March 26, 2021 ◊ 12:15pm – 1:45pm ◊ **Via GoTo Meeting Video Conferencing**

Meeting called to order @ 12:18p. by LD Louis Deputy District Attorney (Alameda County Mental Health Unit)

<b>Attendees:</b>	<b>MHAB Members:</b>	✓	LD Louis, MHAB Chair, Deputy District Attorney (Alameda County Mental Health Unit), Vice Chair of Mental Health Advisory Board and Head of Mental Health Unit for the Alameda County District Attorney’s Office District 4				
		✓	Joe Rose, President CEO of NAMI Alameda County South <b>NAMI National Alliance on Mental Illness-ACS</b>	✓	Jessie Slafter– <b>East Bay Children’s Law Attorneys</b> and <b>Member of Mental Health Advisory Board</b>	✓	Sarah Oddie, Policy Advisor <b>Supervisor Wilma Chan’s Office</b>
			Adriana Furuzawa, Director of <b>Early Psychosis Division, Felton Institute</b> (Family Services Agency of San Francisco)			✓	<b>Boldly Me</b> Kristin Spitz, Executive Director
			Ricki Garcia, Parent Partner at <b>Fred Finch</b>	✓	Lara Maxey, Director of External Affairs at <b>La Familia</b>		<b>NAMI Alameda South Board of Directors</b> Teri Talauta
			Jackie Siefel, Clinical Supervisor at <b>Victor Community Support Services</b>				
	<b>BHCS Staff:</b>	✓	Angelica Gums, HR Liaison, <b>BHCS Office of the Director, Recording Secretary</b>	✓	Tanya McCullom, Program Specialist, <b>BHCS Office of Family Empowerment</b>		
		✓	Asia Jenkins, <b>BHCS Office of the Director</b>		Kristin Boer, <b>BHCS Office of the Director</b>		

ITEM	DISCUSSION	DECISION / ACTION
I. Roll Call	A. LD Louis conducted roll call	
II. Approval of Minutes	A. February minutes are approved	
III. Children’s System of Care Report by Damon Eaves	<b>There was no Children’s System of Care Report by Damon Eaves.</b> Damon Eaves will be retiring in May. L.D. explained how helpful and informative Damon has been and is appreciative of his comprehensive system of care reports to the Committee. She explained that Lisa Carlisle will be providing the system of care update in April to give us a comprehensive “year in review next month.”	
IV. Chair's Report by LD	<p><b>Chair L.D. Louis provided her Chair’s report.</b></p> <p>I. L.D. reached out to Juan Taizan. He has gone from being the head of the Juvenile Justice System for Behavioral Health to the Interim Director for the Forensic System of Care created by Dr. Tribble. In May or June, we hope to have him on the agenda to talk about services in the Juvenile Justice System of Care.</p> <p>II. Jessie and L.D. did not have a chance to meet but they wanted to crystalize the recommendations that came out of earlier presentations for follow-up within the Children’s Committee or to take up to the Full</p>	<p><b>Invite Juan Taizon, Juvenile Justice Center Director, to a meeting to give a current status report on mandate in March or April.</b></p>

<p><b>VI. DISCUSSION:</b></p> <p><b>A. Dependency Mental Health Services Recommendations (continuing discussion to finalize recommendations)</b></p> <p><b>B. MH Services in the Juvenile Justice System (developing questions for new interim forensic director Juan Taizon)</b></p>	<p>Mental Health Advisory Board. The Committee would like to affirm those recommendations in this meeting.</p> <p>III. In addition, the Committee would like to develop questions for the Interim Forensic Director as a follow-up for him to come to the committee and present on the Juvenile Justice System of Care.</p> <p>IV. Lastly, L.D. would like to draft questions for Lisa for next month. The Full Board was interested in learning more about the enhanced placements that were potentially coming online and what that looks like. Maybe one of the goals should be a presentation to whoever is doing that training to get a deeper understanding of that program.</p> <p>V. What do we think our takeaways should be? What should be our discussion on the dependency system and the services they have and don't have.</p> <p><b>Questions:</b></p> <p>I. L.D. would like to see follow up on the topic of the trainings that are creating the enhanced, false placements that need more support and what that looks like. In addition, is there a next step that needs to happen regarding the dependency system and whether there should be a recommendation to the full Board, ACBH, or further action by the Committee.</p> <p>II. Damon reported at our last meeting that there was development enhanced placements for folks who needed to be placed with a foster family who were suffering from mental health challenges. L.D. is interested in learning more about those programs.</p> <p>III. Lee is interested in understating the hybrid housing programs that are being delicensed as a placement for 16 to 18-year old. Is there more that we need to know about these programs or are there actions that we should advise the BOS to take?</p> <p>IV. TFC is under the umbrella of Kattie A services and it can be useful for us to have a presentation. Kattie A is part of a settlement from a lawsuit that happened 10 years ago. TFC is just starting now and wasn't part of the settlement. ACBH can report on the services and screening. What would it look like now that they'll have TFC placements?</p> <p>V. Alameda County had very few youths placed out of County for both the THPP program and out of state placements. The person that we can ask to come speak is the head of placement of child welfare or probation. It would be good to know how many youths were impacted by this change and where the youth went?</p> <p>VI. Jessie Slafter explained that it would be better to understand Katie A services and THPP programs before making a recommendation. L.D. asked if Jessie could help identify the individual who could provide the presentation? It may be valuable to invite that person either in May or June. Are these kids receiving some type of service? Do you know if they're receiving some sort of mental health services?</p>	
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- VII. Jessie responded that they are. However, the THPP programs are not mental health programs, but the young people involved do have therapy.
- VIII. Chair Louis asked if Angelica and Asia can support with bringing the person in May, since we know the move happens in June. In addition, she would like for someone to talk about TFC in June and then invite Dr. Taizan to present in July or August. Director Carlisle will present in April.
- IX. In terms of Director Carlisle’s system of care presentation, one of the areas of interest to Chair Louis is the actual impact of the cuts. It is understood that the budget cuts will not impact the system of care, and that it was positions that were unfilled but funded. What impact are these having on the system of care? Of these position that are slated to be filled, is there a need that won’t be addressed based on these cuts? The Committee would like more clarification.
- X. Jessie would like clarification on privacy and records. Given that we’re in COVID and have transitioned to operating electronically, for instance, not being able to get wet signatures can be a challenge for providing mental health services. Has that been a challenge? What has been the impact on privacy, and how have the services shifted due to COVID? How have the types of services changed, and what has been the engagement level?
- XI. With things going virtual, how have privacy rights been impacted? Has there been the same level of vigilance?
- XII. Has there been a change in the demographic of who is accessing services? Are we seeing less penetration into underrepresented populations now that we are so reliant on distance counseling? L.D. will share these questions with Director Carlisle.
- XIII. Joe Rose asked about AB 2022. Chair Louis explained that we can also ask Director Carlisle information she has about penetration of AB 2022 and the updating of access to services in light of COVID?
- XIV. How many people are active in the Juvenile Justice System, how many are housed in there, and how many are receiving mental health and SUD services? Chair Louis also explained that she would like general information about what the restructuring and what that would look like. In addition, now that Director Taizan has transitioned to his new role, will his previous role in the Juvenile Justice System be replaced or eliminated? How many kids are in the Juvenile Justice System vs. the Hall? How many are receiving mental health services both in and outside the hall?
- XV. What, if any, of Dr. Tribble’s October 27th presentation or plan applies to kids that are in the Juvenile Justice system?
- XVI. For a demographic question, what is the age, race, and gender of juveniles in the system vs. those receiving mental health and SUD services outside the system? The population at the hall is greatly reduced. It’s at

	<p>historic lows. We've seen more TAYs with developmental disabilities end up in the Adult Forensic System of Care.</p> <p>XVII. As a closing point, in working on a monitoring framework, the full Board is creating similar questions. The Committee can develop questions that are more subject matter specific. This could be the subject of the April Board meeting. Will have this as a tool to apply to some of the areas that we are looking at on the subcommittees.</p>	
<b>Public Comment on Items not on Agenda</b>	A. No public Comment	
<b>VI. Adjourn</b>	Meeting Adjourned 1:15 pm	
<b>Next Meeting</b>	<b>Friday, April 23, 2021 at 12:15p via GoTo Meeting</b>	

Minutes submitted by Angelica Gums