



County of Fresno

ADVISORY BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS

FRESNO COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

Regular Meeting Minutes
January 18, 2017

<p><u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u></p> <p>Joanne Cox Brandy Dickey Carolyn Evans Renee Stilson David Thorne Curtis Thornton Donald Vanderheyden Dr. Marta Obler Anna Allen</p> <p><u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u></p> <p>John Duchscher David Weber</p> <p><u>BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</u></p> <p>Sal Quintero</p>	<p><u>BEHAVIORAL HEALTH</u></p> <p>Susan Holt Joseph Rangel Maryann Le</p> <p><u>PUBLIC MEMBERS</u></p> <p>Carrie Smithson Ron Alonzo Jorge Romero Susan Murdock Jeannie Parks Mayra Fuentes Ryan Banks Sharon Ross Jonathan Halverstadt</p>	<p><u>PUBLIC MEMBERS – Continued</u></p> <p>Elizabeth Escoto Stan Lum Lindsey Sorondo Deanna Kivett Fidel Garibay Jolie Brower MaryLou Brauti-Minkler Mitch Collins Chris Roup Brooke Frost Doug Schorung Rodney Earl P. Ron Hayes Vanessa Sandoval Laura Reynolds</p>
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I. Welcome and Opening Remarks

The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chair Carolyn Evans at 2:30 PM; Chair John Duchscher was out of the country.

Carolyn reminded board members to complete their Ethics training; they're due upon being appointed by a Board of Supervisor (BOS) or once every two years or. If done previously with another organization, the organization's name on the form should be changed to reflect the Behavioral Health Board (BHB)

II. Approval of Agenda by Board

The agenda was approved as submitted.

III. Approval of Minutes from December 21, 2016

The minutes were approved noting there will be clarification to DBT.

IV. Update & Program Review – Department of Behavioral Health – Dawan Utecht, Director

Deputy Director Maryann Le presented on behalf of Director Utecht, who was unable to attend due to a meeting in Sacramento.

There are still unknowns with the Affordable Care Act at this time; the department will report back on any new developments.

Federal waivers are a continuous process; there were no updates to report on.

The Department Behavioral Health (DBH) continues to work on its proposal for the Drug Medi-Cal Redesign. Upon completion the proposal will be submitted to the state for approval. Stakeholders and workgroups continue to meet as the process continues.

Constructions / New Services Update

The construction contract for the Adult Crisis Residential facility was approved by the BOS.

As previously stated, DBH will occupy the 2nd floor of the Sierra building by spring 2017. Renovations will continue on the 1st floor.

Contract Highlights

Current contracts include the Multi-Agency Access Program (MAP) and Primary Integration. The MAP contract is currently with the BOS; implementation is anticipated for April 2017. Currently the Poverello House operates MAP; however, the goal is to expand the concept throughout Fresno County; this will require approval from the BOS. The software and provider contracts for MAP were approved. DBH Division Manager Joseph Rangel added that this will be joint effort with a combination of the Poverello, Kings View and Centro La Familia. The contract is constructed in a way that would result in a master agreement; therefore there will be other MAP point locations. The goal is to provide centralized locations where there is a high density of client traffic – not referral but linkage.

Department Projects

The project is in the works for the Primary Care Integration contract. There are no significant details to report on at this time.

The final report for the housing assessment from Harder & Company is due at the end of January. Harder & Company will attend the February BHB meeting to present.

As previously discussed, the Drug Medi-Cal Redesign is in the works. It's anticipated to be completed by spring 2017.

Dawan will report on the Stepping Up Initiative Summit at the next meeting.

The department started the Reaching Recovery project some time ago; working vigilantly to implement tool; making updates and improvements. Some community partners are utilizing the tool. The tool will be used to assess clients in determining what services are necessary in order to receive quality care at the level that's needed.

Suicide Prevention

A work group facilitated by Lynne Ashbeck met on January 17th; two follow-up meetings will be scheduled within the next six weeks. Attendees included community and county organizations, educational administrators and / or staff, three experts on teen suicide, one of whom is an international expert, state representatives, and representatives from Tulare County that have experience in this arena. Further a guide was distributed to the media which discussed methods of reporting on teen suicide. Schools in Fresno County received a survey on behavioral / mental health services and suicide prevention.

No Place Like Home

There continues to be a lot work done at the state level by the California State Association of Counties (CSAC) Technical Committee, of which Dawan is a member. Fresno County is eligible to receive approximately \$2.3 million through the allocation process. Any additional funds will go through a competitive grant process. The grant requires a 20 year commitment from the county, to provide mental health services and coordinate the provision of, or referral to, other supportive services, including, but not limited to, substance use disorder treatment services. Each county must submit a plan to reduce homelessness. To qualify, individuals must have serious mental illness or serious emotional disturbance to be eligible for housing but they do not have to be a client of the county. Further, on-site support must be available. In the future, Mental Health Services Act funding will be reduced to pay down the debt of NPLH.

A regional Design Workshop will be held and open for Public Input, on Tuesday, January 24th from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM at the Central Valley Community Foundation.

Proposition 47

Currently in the stakeholder process; the application is due February 21st.

V. Old Business

A. Report site visit: SOS (Support and Overnight Stay)

This program originated for individuals who were placed on 5150 hold; had prolonged stays in the emergency department; didn't want to be assessed; or weren't meeting 5150 criteria. SOS was essentially designed to assist this population. It's considered an innovative program; therefore funded with MHSA innovation funds. WestCare is the contracted provider.

The reporting period is July 1, 2015 – June 30, 2017. In January 2014, the program was modified to be a 24/7 operation. The budget for SOS is \$819,090; they serve 687

unique clients. The response time from SOS to a referring facility is approximately 16 minutes.

Carolyn stated that she understood the program was being moved out of innovations funds. DBH Division Manager Joseph Rangel stated it's still being determined. There are different scenarios in which the program can remain under innovation. The final work will determine the outcome / funding.

Further, Carolyn asked about a final Innovations Project Report. Joseph stated he would have to get details on that, however, Innovations funding programs requires detailed reports; must ensure the data requirements are being met. DBH Division Manager Karen Markland added that innovation funding included in the last MHSA Annual Update. However, in the next annual report there will be a heavy Innovations theme. Past update included the approved moved of AB 109 outpatient (First Street Center) and Integrated Discharge Team to Community Services and Support (CSS). Upcoming update will include the final reports.

Curt asked about the term "clients;" does this apply to only DBH clients. Some are DBH clients; all individuals are offered to be linked to services or re-linked; while others may receive medication only; they also may be linked to the primary Full Service Partnership. Eighty-nine percent of clients have had contact with the mental health system over the year.

Brandy found the site tour interesting. She called Community Regional Medical Center and asked the average cost for a psych visit / 24 hour hold. She was told it costs \$3,000 and only administered medication. The annual cost per client at SOS is \$1,300. SOS provides linkage services. SOS was applauded for the work they do.

B. Saturday, January 7, 2017, 9AM to 1PM, Sierra Building - Comments

On Saturday, Jan 7th, the BHB held a workshop to discuss the 2017 recommendations that will be submitted to the BOS. The workshop was open to the public.

C. Recommendations to BOS for 2017

The recommendations are as follows:

- 1. New permanent supportive housing in place or at least in progress (such as under construction)*
- 2. As part of a larger coalition, seek more funding for suicide prevention and education programs...*
- 3. Continue to expand field crisis response services to 24 x 7 services within the Fresno County metropolitan and rural areas.*

4. Expand existing services or provide new services to DBH. Clients receiving Mental Health and Substance Use Disorders treatment services, with the following: job development, job placement, and job coaching.

In addition the FCBHB supports the following priorities set down by the Fresno County Department of Behavioral Health (see attached page).

Curt asked to have the following to be added to the BHB's number one priority: "Support DBH's priority number one actions on attached page as first steps in accomplishing this recommendation."

Renee Stilson asked how much MHSA funding will be reduced to support No Place Like Home. To fund the No Place Like Home initiative they need to look at all the funding for general allocation; whether or not the department applies and receives the grant, funds will be reduced from each counties general allocation. The exact percentage is being worked out within the technical committee.

Motion made to approve the 2017 recommendations with the addition as noted above. Motion to accept – Joanne; Brandy seconded the motion; motion approved.

Public comment – none received

VI. New Business

A. Update Behavioral Health Board Brochure/need new mini bios

Carolyn reminded members to turn in their bios.

B. Appoint Ad Hoc Committee to review Goals and Standing Agenda

Ad Hoc committee was formed to discuss the goals and standing agenda. Carolyn was appointed as chair of the Ad Hoc; Renee and Anna participate in the committee.

C. Appoint Ad Hoc Committee RE: Peer Support Pay

Ad Hoc formed to review the Peer Support Pay; it was a recommendation from 2016. Curt was appointed as chair; Brandy will participate. Will ask David Weber.

D. Resolution of support for the Department's Prop 47 grant application

Curt spoke with Cesar; though there's no draft or summary to act on yet, the BHB's recommendation is to support the grant application. However, they asked for a copy of the draft application, possibly during the BHB Executive meeting. The item will be carried over to the February BHB meeting.

E. Discussion of 5150 authority to American Ambulance

There's a question about the authority to write 5150's to the trained EMT's American Ambulance (AA). Curt added that Ken Katz with AA does mental health training for

staff. He is not putting an official stance however is supportive. Crisis situations can be traumatic for individuals; it would be beneficial to have someone with proper training.

Chris Roup highlighted this as a future want. However, feels that she would want someone with the proper training to assist; whatever oversights needed she supports. There is no intention to exclude law enforcement. They are another resource in the community. It's a process.

Maryann said that Dawan has discussed this topic during the Sequential Intercept Mapping meetings. As the Director of DBH, she has the authority to delegate who can write 5150's. As the department moves forward with SIM, this will continue to be discussed.

Joanne asked to bring the subject back; Dawan will be asked to discuss SIM and 5150's at next BHB.

Don added that this decision should be made by the experts; BHB needs to consider the liability and privacy issues; understanding about crisis, however he is apprehensive to allow others to write 5150's in regards to liability for the county, the patient and their families.

VII. Committee Reports

A. Adult Services

No meeting in January. February's meeting will include presentation from the RISE Team and Conservatorship Team. Next meeting is scheduled for February 6th.

B. Children's Services

No meeting held in December; next meeting on January 26th. Will be discussing housing for the transitional age youth population.

C. Justice Services

Last meeting was held on January 9th; Corizon presented on the Juvenile Justice Campus.

D. Substance Use Disorders Service

During the last SUD meeting they discussed Prop 47 funding.

E. Other reports or announcements

VIII. Public Comment

Leticia Valencia, with Faith in the Valley, is the lead on the Rental Housing Improvement Act. Last December there was a proposal delayed until February 2nd. The proposal will include a baseline inspection, which is an inspection of all rental properties in the city to insure that they are up to health and safety standards. This proposal will include room and boards.

Leticia invited everyone to attend the City Council meeting on February 2nd. She also asked attendees and BHB members to sign a letter of support that will be given to City Council. Leticia will send a copy of the letter and ordinance to Tina Young for distribution to the BHB and attendees.

IX. Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 3:54 PM.

This meeting is open to the general public under the Ralph M. Brown Act.