

**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
MINUTES ■ Monday, May 14, 2018**

<p><u>BHAB Officers Present</u> Jerry Harris, Chair Ratan Bhavnani, 1st Vice Chair Kay Wilson-Bolton, 2nd Vice Chair Nancy Borchard, Secretary Margaret Cortese, Member-At-Large Janis Gardner, Chair Emeritus</p> <p><u>Others Present</u> Gane Brooking, BHAB Patricia Mowlavi, BHAB Mark Stadler, Crisis Intervention Team Matthew Sandoval, Health Care Agency</p>	<p><u>VCBH Staff Present</u> Pete Pringle, Interim Director John Schipper, Adult Division Chief Edith Pham, BHAB Assistant</p> <p>NEXT MEETING: Monday, June 11, 2018, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m.</p> <p>Ventura County Behavioral Health 1911 Williams Drive, Lake Cachuma Room (second floor), Oxnard</p>
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Note: The committee has not yet approved these minutes. There may be additions/deletions or corrections before the minutes are accepted in final form.

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
I.	Call to Order Chair Harris called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda Mr. Harris asked the Committee to review and approve today's agenda. Kay Wilson-Bolton moved to approve, Janis Gardner seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	The agenda was approved as written. M/S/C	
III.	Approval of the Minutes Mr. Harris asked the committee to review and approve the minutes of the April 9, 2018 meeting. Ratan Bhavnani moved to approve, Ms. Wilson-Bolton seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	The minutes were approved as written. M/S/C	
IV.	Welcome and Introductions Mr. Harris dispensed with introductions as everyone knew each other.		
V.	Chair Announcements Mr. Harris noted that he has been elected to the Governing Board of the California Association of Local Behavioral Health Advisory Boards & Commissions (CALBHB/C). Its president, Theresa Comstock, will address the BHAB at the next General meeting. Ms. Gardner, Mr. Bhavnani and Mr. Harris presented to NAMI at its general meeting on May 8, which generated a productive dialogue with families. Ms. Gardner, Mr. Bhavnani and Mr. Harris also participated in a round of interviews of candidates for the next VCBH Director.		
VI.	Public Comments None.		
VII.	Board Members Comments and Announcements Gane Brooking noted that she recently attended several conferences: Social Determinants of Health on May 2 nd ; Pacific Clinics Latino Mental Health Conference in San Gabriel on May 10 th . She also attended the contentious Ventura City Council meeting following the stabbing at the Aloha Steakhouse, and she stated that there seems to be some political will to find solutions to homelessness. Margaret Cortese and Ms. Gardner both noted that they will be unable to attend the BHAB General meeting on May 21 st . Ms. Gardner requested to cancel the Managed Care Workgroup on May 21 st since she and Mr. Harris will not be available. Ms. Wilson-Bolton noted that the Ventura Leadership Academy came to the One Stop Care Pod in Santa Paula. It was an excellent outreach for the Academy to learn about homelessness.	Send cancelation notice re Managed Care Workgroup	E. Pham

<p>X. New Business</p>	<p>A. Evaluate April 16 General Meeting to Identify Areas for Improvement Ms. Gardner appreciates the time set aside for board discussions. No areas needing improvement were presented</p> <p>B. Recruitment for Consumer and Family Member Representation on the BHAB A discussion took place on the need to keep Supervisors aware of the makeup of the BHAB in terms of clients and family members. Ms. Brooking volunteered to contact the Client Network to see whether some of their members may be interested in serving on the BHAB.</p> <p>C. Feasibility of Establishing an Older Adult Committee Ms. Brooking is concerned about the needs of the older adult population and feels that having a committee for this rapidly-growing group would be helpful. A discussion took place on the pros and cons. Mr. Harris will put this discussion item on the General meeting agenda.</p> <p>D. The Issues of Mental Illness and the Homeless Population in Santa Paula and Countywide – Dr. John Schipper Dr. Schipper noted that VCBH, Ms. Wilson-Bolton and others have met at the VCBH clinic in Santa Paula starting last summer to discuss this topic. In addition, a monthly Persons of Concern meeting is attended by VCBH and local law enforcement agencies to review specific homeless people. Ms. Wilson-Bolton is concerned that the recent tragic stabbing in Ventura has elevated the discussion about homelessness. She proposed organizing a summit to educate the general population and look into possible solutions. Mr. Harris requested that VCBH organize the summit with the Human Services Agency. Ms. Wilson-Bolton agreed to contact Tara Carruth of the County Executive Office Continuum of Care regarding her attendance. Ms. Borchard requested that the summit be limited to the mentally ill homeless. Dr. Schipper noted that he will be one of the panelists at the Violence in Ventura and Solutions meeting of the Democratic Club of Ventura on May 20th.</p> <p>E. California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards and Commissions (CALBHB/C) Invitation to Attend Annual Meeting in Los Angeles on June 22, 2018 Mr. Harris invited all BHAB members to attend the CALBHB/C conference and training on June 22 and 23. Ms. Brooking volunteered. It was noted that the Client Network has funding to send clients and families to conferences.</p> <p>F. Sample Completed Action Plan Mr. Harris shared a sample Action Plan to guide the committee chairs as they fill out their forms. This will help them focus on their objectives throughout the 2018-19 year.</p> <p>G. Subcommittee on Legislation Report – Ratan Bhavnani Mr. Bhavnani noted that Sheri Valley, Marlen Torres, Ms. Brooking and he have met once to set the goals of the subcommittee. He distributed NAMI's 2018 Bill List and briefly highlighted four pieces of legislation that are making their way through the state legislature.</p>	<p>Contact the Client Network</p> <p>Ask VCBH to organize a summit on mentally ill homeless</p> <p>Ask Tara Carruth to participate in summit</p>	<p>G. Brooking</p> <p>J. Harris</p> <p>K. Wilson-Bolton</p>
<p>XI. Old Business</p>	<p>A. Format for BHAB Annual Report Fiscal Year 2017-18 The format of the Annual Report for FY 2017-18 was discussed. Per committee chairs' request, Mr. Harris will look into simplifying the categories while capturing important information.</p> <p>B. 2018-19 BHAB Objectives and Review of Mission Statement – Discussion At the upcoming General meeting, the full board will review the BHAB Mission Statement. Mr. Harris suggested that a vision statement be developed, and he provided a draft suggested vision statement for review. The draft vision statement will be added to the general meeting agenda. The board will also review the committees' objectives and select the BHAB objectives from them.</p> <p>C. Future Presentations</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Opioids in Ventura County – Sgt. Matt Young is available in June; Ms. Gardner will invite him. 	<p>Invite Sgt. Young</p>	<p>J. Gardner</p>

	2. The Mentally Ill and the Criminal Justice System – Judge Ryan Wright and/or Judge Roger Lund. The committee suggested inviting Judge Wright. D. Future Recognitions Judge Bysshe, who was very involved with the Assist Program, will be recognized at the June 18 General meeting.	Invite Judge Wright	E. Pham
XII.	Develop Agenda for the General Meeting – Discussion Per VCBH request, the VCBH Fiscal Update will be moved to the June General meeting. Mr. Bhavnani and Ms. Mowlavi requested to have the Fiscal Update also presented at the June Executive meeting. The Executive Committee agreed to do so.		
XI.	Adjourn The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.		

Behavioral Health Advisory Board EXECUTIVE Meeting Attendance 2017-2018

Members	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
Jerry Harris Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Ratan Bhavnani 1 st Vice Chair	X	X	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	
Kay Wilson-Bolton 2 nd Vice Chair						X			X	X	X	
Nancy Borchard Secretary	X		X		X	X	X	X		X	X	
Gane Brooking Member At Large	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Janis Gardner Member Emeritus	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

Present = X

- District 1 Supervisor Bennett
- District 2 Supervisor Parks
- District 3 Supervisor Long
- District 4 Supervisor Foy
- District 5 Supervisor Zaragoza

ACTION STEPS	START DATE	COMPLETION DATE	ACCOUNTABILITY	ACTION STEP: ON TARGET	STEP: DELAYED*	STATUS
4. Provide draft PowerPoint presentation to the members of the VCBH Executive Team for review for review and comment.	1-8-2018	1-8-2018	JH	X		Completed 1-8-2018.
5. Incorporate suggested changes and recommendations received from BHAB Executive Committee members and VCBH Executive Team members into the PowerPoint presentation.	1/11/2018	1-16-2018	JH	X		Completed 1-16-2018
6. Provide PowerPoint presentation to the BOS Clerk of the Board.	1-16-19	1-19-2016	Edith Pham (EP)	X		Completed 1-17-2018.
7. Make final preparations for the presentation to the BOS.	1-22-2018	2-12-2018	JH	X		Completed 2-12-2018
8. Make "Annual Report Overview and Operational Activity Update" presentation to the BOS.	2-13-2018	2-13-2018	JH	X		Completed 2-13-2018.

*Explain project delays in status column, revise target dates as required, and state actions required to overcome/remove obstacle(s).

Bill # Author	Summary	Position Status	NAMI CA Policy Priority
SB 1365 Moortlach & Portantino	Would allow an individual to designate on his or her tax return that a specified amount in excess of his or her personal income tax liability be transferred to the National Alliance on Mental Illness California Voluntary Tax Contribution Fund, which would be created by this bill. The bill would conform with those aforementioned administrative requirements by continuously appropriating those funds to the Franchise Tax Board, the Controller and the California Highway Patrol for administrative costs. Funding will be used to support Crisis Intervention Training program.	Sponsor Status: Passed the Senate, Assembly-Pending Referral	#3 Crisis Services, #1 Access to Treatment
SB 906 Beall	Would require the State Department of Health Care Services to establish, no later than July 1, 2019, a statewide peer, parent, transition-age, and family support specialist certification program, as a part of the state's comprehensive mental health and substance use disorder delivery system and the Medi-Cal program. The bill would include 4 certification categories: adult peer support specialists, transition-age youth peer support specialists, family peer support specialists, and parent peer support specialists.	Support Status: Senate-In Committee Process-Appropriations	#1 Access to Treatment, #6 Full Array of Services and Supports for All Ages
AB 2022 Chu	Current law requires the governing board of any school district to give diligent care to the health and physical development of pupils and authorizes the governing board of a school district to employ properly certified persons for the work. This bill would state the intent of the Legislature to enact legislation that would require at least one mental health professional at each elementary and secondary school campus.	Support Status: Assembly-In Committee Process-Appropriations	#6 Full Array of Services and Supports for All Ages, #1 Access to Treatment
SB 215 Beall	Would authorize a court, with the consent of the defendant and a waiver of the defendant's speedy trial right, to postpone prosecution of a misdemeanor or a felony punishable in a county jail, and place the defendant in a pretrial diversion program for up to 2 years if the court is satisfied the defendant suffers from a mental disorder, that the defendant's mental disorder played a significant role in the commission of the charged offense, and that the defendant would benefit from mental health treatment. For specified offenses, the bill would condition granting diversion on the consent of the prosecution.	Support Status: Assembly-In Committee Process-Public Safety	#4 Criminal Justice and Forensic Issues
SB 968 Pan	Would require the Trustees of the California State University, the governing board of each community college district, and the governing body of each independent institution of high education that is a qualifying institution, and request the Regents of the University of California, to hire one fulltime equivalent mental health counselor per 1,000 students at each of their respective campuses to the fullest extent consistent with state and federal law. The bill would define mental health counselor for purposes of this provision.	Support Status: Senate-In Committee Process-Appropriations	#6 Full Array of Services and Supports for All Ages, #1 Access to Treatment
SB 1125 Atkins	Same day billing bill. Would authorize reimbursement for a maximum of 2 visits taking place on the same day at a single location if after the first visit the patient suffers illness or	Support	#1 Access to Treatment

	injury requiring additional diagnosis or treatment, or if the patient has a medical visit and another health visit, as defined.	Status: Senate-In Committee Process-Appropriations	
AB 2639 Berman	Would require the State Department of Education to identify one or more evidence-based online training programs that a local education agency, as defined, can use to train school staff and pupils as part of the local educational agency's policy on pupil suicide prevention. The bill would require the department to provide a grant to a county office of education to acquire and disseminate a training program identifies by the department to local educational agencies at no cost. The bill would make its requirements contingent on funds being appropriated in the annual Budget Act or another statute for its purposes	Support Status: Assembly-In Committee Process-Appropriations	# 3 Crisis Services, #6 Full Array of Services and Supports for All Ages
SB 1010 Beall	Would require CDCR, on or before January 1, 2020, to create the Supportive Housing Pilot Program, which would establish a process and timeline for finalizing a memorandum of understanding with one or more counties in which the department would agree to use current funding to, among other things, refer eligible parolees to participating counties for mental health treatment, housing navigation services, and supportive housing services, and to use remaining resources, as specified, to pay for bridge rental assistance, as defined, and services in supportive housing during the program participant's term of parole.	Support Status: Senate-In Committee Process-Appropriations	#2 Housing, #1 Access to Treatment
AB 2983 Arambula	Would prohibit a general acute care hospital or an acute psychiatric hospital from requiring a person who voluntarily seeks care to be in custody as a danger to himself or herself or others or gravely disabled as a condition of accepting a transfer of that person. By creating a new crime, this bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	Support Status: Assembly-In Floor Process-Second Reading	#4 Criminal Justice and Forensic Issues, #1 Access to Treatment
AB 1795 Gipson	Would authorize a local emergency medical services agency to submit, as part of its emergency services plan, a plan to transport specified patients to a community care facility, as defined, in lieu of transportation to a general acute care hospital. The bill would make conforming changes to the definition of advanced life support to include prehospital emergency care provided before and during, transport to a community care facility, as specified.	Support Status: Assembly-In Committee Process-Appropriations	#3 Crisis Services
AB 2393 Comm. on Health	Would prohibit a county from charging fees for Medi-Cal specialty mental health services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries who do not have a share of cost and Medi-Cal beneficiaries who have met their share of cost, and would authorize a county to charge fees to individuals who are not Medi-Cal beneficiaries and Medi-Cal beneficiaries who have a share of cost that has not been met, in accordance with the patient's ability to pay for community mental health services rendered, but not in excess of actual costs.	Support Status: Senate-Pending Referral	#1 Access to Treatment

<p><u>AB 2325</u> Irwin</p>	<p>Would prevent a county from denying an eligible veteran county mental or behavioral health services while the veteran is waiting for a determination of eligibility for, and availability of, mental or behavioral health services provided by the United States Department of Veterans Affairs. The bill would make specific findings and declarations about the county's duty to provide mental and behavioral health services to veterans.</p>	<p>Support Status: Assembly-In Floor Process-Second Reading</p>	<p>#6 Full Array of Services and Supports for All Ages, #1 Access to Treatment</p>
<p><u>SB 972</u> Portantino</p>	<p>Would require a public school, including a charter school, or a private school that serves pupils in any of grades 7 to 12, inclusive, that issues pupil identification cards to have printed on the back of the pupil identification cards the telephone number for a suicide prevention hotline. The bill would require a public or private institution of higher education that issues student identification cards to have printed on the back of the student identification cards the telephone number for a suicide prevention hotline. Because the bill would impose a new duty on campuses of the California Community Colleges, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program.</p>	<p>Support Status: Assembly-Pending Referral</p>	<p>#3 Crisis Services, #6 Full Array of Services and Supports for All Ages</p>
<p><u>AB 870</u> Levine</p>	<p>Would require a court, upon the conviction of a defendant for a felony resulting in sentencing to state prison, to recommend in writing that the defendant receive a mental health evaluation if the court finds that the defendant at the time of the commission of the offense was suffering from a serious mental illness or has a demonstrated history of mental illness.</p>	<p>Support Status: Senate-In Committee Process-Public Safety</p>	<p>#4 Criminal Justice and Forensic Issues</p>
<p><u>SB 960</u> Leyva</p>	<p>Would require the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to submit a report, as specified, to the Legislature on or before April 1 of each year, on the department's efforts to respond to and prevent suicides and attempted suicides among inmates, including, among other things, identifying recommendations that would affect the department's efforts to respond to and prevent suicides and attempted suicides among inmates, describing the progress in implementing those recommendations, and describing the department's progress in identifying and implementing mental health programs that may ameliorate risk factors associated with suicides among inmates.</p>	<p>Support Status: Senate-In Committee Process-Appropriations</p>	<p>#4 Criminal Justice and Forensic Issues, #3 Crisis Services</p>
<p><u>SB 688</u> Moortlach</p>	<p>Current law requires the State Department of Health Care Services, in consultation with the commission and the County Behavioral Health Directors Association of California, to develop and administer instructions for the Annual Mental Health Services Act Revenue and Expenditure Report, which gathers specified information on mental health spending as a result of the MHSAs, including the expenditures of funds distributed to each county. Current law requires counties to electronically submit the report to the department and the commission. This bill would require counties to prepare the reports in accordance with</p>	<p>Support Status: Assembly-In Committee Process-Health</p>	

	generally accepted accounting principles, as specified.		
AB 417 Limon	Authorizes, for a period of not more than 180 days, and only until November 1, 2018, the State Department of Public Health to permit an acute psychiatric hospital that was affected by a wildfire during the month of December 2017, and that is in the County of Ventura, to provide outpatient mental health services that were approved by the department and operational as supplemental services before the wildfire occurred, while the inpatient operations of the acute psychiatric hospital are voluntarily suspended.	Support Status: <i>Chapters</i>	#1 Access to Treatment
AB 1136 Eggman	Would require the State Department of Public Health to develop and submit a proposal to solicit a grant under the federal 21st Century Cures Act to develop a real-time, Internet-based database to collect, aggregate, and display information about beds in inpatient psychiatric facilities, crisis stabilization units, residential community mental health facilities, and licensed residential substance use disorder treatment facilities.	Support Status: Senate-In Committee Process-Health	#1 Access to Treatment
AB 2112 Santiago	Current federal law, the 21st Century Cures Act, authorizes the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services to award competitive grants to state and local governments and Indian tribes and tribal organizations to enhance community-based crisis response systems that, among other things, promote integration and coordination between local public and private entities engaged in crisis response, and addresses gaps in community resources for crisis intervention and prevention. This bill would require the State Department of Health Care Services to develop and submit an application to solicit a grant under the federal authority described above to develop a community-based crisis response plan and would require the grant application to include, at a minimum, a plan for specified objectives.	Sponsor Status: Assembly-In Committee Process-Appropriations	#3 Crisis Services, #1 Access to Treatment
AB 1971 Santiago	Would expand that definition of "gravely disabled" (A condition in which a person, as a result of a mental health disorder, is unable to provide for his or her basic personal needs for food, clothing, or shelter) to also include an inability to provide for one's medical treatment.	Support Status: Assembly-In Comm Process Appropriations	#1 Access to Treatment, Family Involvement
SB 1045 Wiener	This bill would establish a procedure, for counties that elect to participate, for the appointment of a conservator for a person who is chronically homeless and incapable of caring for the person's own health and well-being due a serious mental illness and substance use disorder for the purpose of providing appropriate placement in supportive housing that provides wraparound services.	Support Status: Senate-In Committee Process-Appropriations	#2 Housing

VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

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VISION

Equity exists in the provision and funding for Behavioral Health services. Every client has a Primary Care Physician, receives Preventive Care and has access to Whole Person Care and Dental Care. Stigma for Behavioral Health clients is significantly reduced, if not eliminated.

MISSION

The mission of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board is to advocate for members of the community living with mental illness and/or substance use disorder and their families. This is accomplished through support, review and evaluation of treatment services provided and/or coordinated through the Ventura County Behavioral Health Department.