

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

General Meeting

Monday, April 17, 2017, 1:00 – 3:30 p.m.

Ventura County Behavioral Health

1911 Williams Drive, Training Room • Oxnard, CA 93036

AGENDA

- I. Call to Order
- II. Approval of the Agenda – **ACTION**
- III. Approval of the March 20, 2017 Minutes – **ACTION**
- IV. Welcome and Introductions
- V. Chair Announcements (5 min.)
- VI. Public Comments (3 min. per speaker)
- VII. Board Members Comments and Announcements (3 min. per speaker)
- VIII. Presentation: Intensive Social Emotional Services (ISES) – Jennifer Dougherty, Behavioral Health Manager, Youth & Family Division (20 min.)
- IX. Director’s Report – Elaine Crandall (20 min.)
- X. Chief Operations Officer’s Update – Patrick Zarate (10 min.)
- XI. Children’s Accelerated Access to Treatment and Services (CAATS) – Kiran Sahota, MHSA Manager – Public Comments - **ACTION**
- XII. New Business
 - A. Confirm the Nominating Committee: Sandra Wolfe, Larry Hicks, Gane Brooking – **ACTION**
 - B. Confirm Appointment of Gane Brooking as Member-At-Large - **ACTION**
- XIII. Old Business
 - A. Data Notebook update – Karyn Bates – **ACTION**
 - B. Objectives Workgroup update – Cmdr. Ron Nelson - **ACTION**
- XIV. Contracts – **ACTION**
 - A. BOS Agenda – April 18, 2017
 1. ADP – Substance Use Disorder Services Standard Agreement Amendment with the California Department of Health Care Services
 2. Continuum of Care Program Grant Agreement
 3. Lourdes Campbell & Associates Master Agreement Amendment
 - B. BOS Agenda – April 25, 2017
 1. Resolution Proclaiming May as Mental Health Month, Time Certain 10 a.m.
 2. Unilab Corporation Master Agreement Amendment
 - C. BOS Agenda – May 9, 2017
 1. Behavioral Health Advisory Board Annual Report Receive and File
 2. Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws Revision
 3. Triage Grant Amendment
- XV. Adjourn

Next Meeting: Monday, May 15, 2017

Members of the public making oral presentations to the Board in connection with one or more agenda or non-agenda items at a single meeting are limited to a cumulative total time not to exceed (5) minutes for all of their oral presentations at such meeting unless otherwise provided. The entire public comment period is limited to no more than (20) minutes total for all speakers. NOTE: The Chair may limit the number or duration of speakers on a matter. In compliance with the Americans With Disabilities Act, if you need special assistance to participate in this meeting, please contact: [Behavioral Health Administration](#), at (805) 981-6830. Reasonable advance notification of the need for accommodation prior to the meeting (48 hours advance notice is preferable) will enable us to make reasonable arrangements to ensure accessibility to this meeting.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: April 12, 2017

TO: Behavioral Health Advisory Board

FROM: Contracts Administration

SUBJECT: Board of Supervisors Agenda

Executive Summary

Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) will be requesting Board of Supervisors approval for the following:

Board Agenda – April 18, 2017

1. ADP - Substance Use Disorder Services Standard Agreement Amendment with the California Department of Health Care Services

The California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) multi-year Standard Agreement is the established mechanism that allows the County to receive federal and state allocated funds for Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services provided by community-based providers and County staff. The County uses these funds to support a wide variety of services, such as individual and group treatment, day treatment, parenting skills training for adults and adolescents, short and long-term residential recovery, early intervention, prevention, and education programs, including County-operated and sub-contracted programs, modalities, and services. For the Drug Medi-Cal (DM/C) funding component, community-based organizations that are certified by DHCS as DM/C providers contract with the County which acts as a pass-through entity for related federal and state funding. Periodically, the agreement is amended to account for unexpended state funds reallocated from prior years, and/or to increase/decrease DM/C allocations determined by an updated projection of units of service provided throughout the year.

Under realignment, the FY 2011-12 state budget and accompanying law (Chapter 40, Statutes of 2011 [Assembly Bill (AB) 118] and Chapter 13, Statutes of 2011, First Extraordinary Session [ABX1 16]) moved funding for SUD programs from the State to local governments to meet local community needs and priorities. The County now receives funding for its SUD services through two allocation methods—the DHCS agreement (Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Block Grant and D/MC) and realignment funding (instead of direct allocation). The Standard Agreement amendment modifies the scope of work to include a new provision

concerning the American with Disabilities Act and updates the payment provisions to reflect an increase in the contract amount.

The proposed Standard Agreement Amendment for SUD services with DHCS: (1) increases the agreement amount by \$5,463,909 for the period of July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017 and (2) increases the three-year (FY 2014-15 through FY 2016-17) total maximum amount from \$27,758,304 to \$33,222,213 (an increase of \$5,463,909).

2. Continuum of Care Program Grant Agreement

The Continuum of Care Program is a U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) funded homeless assistance program that provides rental assistance for permanent housing for persons who are chronically homeless and disabled. The program links rental assistance to supportive services, ensuring that homeless persons who are disabled can access "supported" permanent housing. For the service period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018, VCBH is being awarded a one year Continuum of Care program grant of \$276,729 for the provision of rental assistance services to VCBH clients countywide (excluding Santa Paula as there is a separate Continuum of Care Program grant for this area). The anticipated number of beneficiaries is 16 individuals. Potential residences for these individuals are located throughout the county and are based upon willingness of landlords to rent to these individuals. Last fiscal year, 16 individuals were served under this grant. This grant was part of the recurring grants listing that was presented to your Board as part of the preliminary budget on June 7, 2016, therefore, VCBH was authorized to apply for the grant funding. These funds have also been included in the VCBH budget for next fiscal year.

VCBH is proposing that the County Executive Officer be delegated authority from the Board of Supervisors to sign the Continuum of Care Program grant agreement with HUD, in the amount of \$276,729, for the service period of October 1, 2017 through September 30, 2018.

3. Lourdes Campbell & Associates Master Agreement Amendment

Lourdes Campbell & Associates (Lourdes Campbell) provides interpretation services at VCBH clinics and in community meetings. Interpreter services are critical to the success of VCBH's client-based services to ensure clients understand their treatment plan and know how to safely administer medication. Lourdes Campbell also provides interpretation services at community and county-scheduled provider meetings. The highest percentage of languages interpreted are: Spanish (83%), American Sign Language (ASL) (4.7%), Vietnamese (2.8%), Thai (2%), Tagalog (1.5%), and Other (6%).

In FY 2015-16, Lourdes Campbell provided 4,677 hours of service at an annual expense of \$352,703. Under the Ventura County General Services Agency (GSA) Master Agreement, the maximum contract amount for Lourdes Campbell's services in the current fiscal year is \$331,000. As of December 2016, Lourdes Campbell has provided 2,570 hours of service in the current fiscal year. VCBH projects that a total of 4,897 hours of interpretation services will be required by the fiscal year end and that an additional \$50,000 will be needed to fund these services. The increased need for interpretation services is the result of additional non-English speaking clients at VCBH's clinics. Interpreter services are funded by Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), Short Doyle/Medical Federal Financial Participation (SD/MC FFP), Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT)/2011 Realignment, and other County resources.

The proposed amendment for interpretation services with Lourdes Campbell will increase the GSA master agreement for VCBH related services from \$331,000 to \$381,000 (an increase of \$50,000), effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Board Agenda – April 25, 2017

1. Resolution Proclaiming May as Mental Health Month, Time Certain 10 a.m.

2. Unilab Corporation Master Agreement Amendment

Unilab Corporation provides laboratory testing services for VCBH clients. These services are required by the clients' treatment plan and are critical for monitoring clients' reactions to medication(s) as well as their overall health during treatment. In FY 2015-16, payments to Unilab Corporation totaled \$88,726. For FY 2016-17, the year to date expenses are \$64,840 and the year-end projection is \$200,000. An increase of \$135,000 is needed in order to fund laboratory testing services through the fiscal year end. The required increase to the contract is due to: (1) the late receipt of prior fiscal year expenses, (2) delays with VCBH provider registration in the Medicare Provider Enrollment, Chain, and Ownership System (PECOS), and (3) increases in laboratory testing for youth incarcerated at the Juvenile Justice Center. Due to problems that Unilab Corporation experienced with its billing system, VCBH received several invoices in December 2016 that should have been paid in FY 2015-16. In addition, PECOS registration delays resulted in Medicare not covering the costs of the laboratory testing services that were ordered by unregistered VCBH providers. VCBH is currently in the process of resolving the PECOS registration issue for its providers. Laboratory testing services are funded by MHSA, SD/MC FFP, Probation, and Realignment funds.

The proposed amendment for laboratory testing services with Unilab Corporation will increase the GSA Master Agreement for VCBH related services from \$65,000 to \$200,000 (an increase of \$135,000), effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017.

Board Agenda – May 9, 2017

1. Behavioral Health Advisory Board Annual Report Receive and File

Under the Welfare and Institutions Code, the mission of the BHAB is to assess the impact of the services from the state to the county, on services delivered to clients and on the local community. The BHAB accomplishes its mission through support, review, and evaluation of the treatment services provided and/or coordinated through VCBH. The BHAB is required under the Welfare and Institutions Code and its bylaws to submit an annual report to the Board of Supervisors. The BHAB FY 2015-16 Annual Report provides an overview of the BHAB's objectives, activities, challenges, and accomplishments.

As detailed in the FY 2015-16 Annual Report, the BHAB has made significant progress in the following areas: (1) assessing the services provided in the county and identifying gaps in services, (2) expanding and enhancing the system of care within Ventura County, and (3) integrating mental health and substance abuse issues in all aspects of its work. Significant achievements in FY 2015-16 include recommending implementation of Laura's

Law to the Board of Supervisors (approved by the Board of Supervisors on March 8, 2016) and updating the BHAB bylaws.

VCBH is proposing that the Board of Supervisors receive and file the BHAB FY 2015-16 Annual Report.

2. Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws Revision

Under the Welfare and Institutions Code, the mission of the BHAB is to assess the impact of the services from the state to the county, on services delivered to clients and on the local community. The BHAB accomplishes its mission through support, review, and evaluation of the treatment services provided and/or coordinated through VCBH. The BHAB consists of at least fifteen and no more than twenty-one members. Each member of the Ventura County Board of Supervisors may appoint three mental health representatives and one substance use disorder representative to the BHAB. Supervisors are encouraged to appoint individuals who have some experience and knowledge of the behavioral health system. BHAB membership must reflect the ethnic diversity of the client population of Ventura County and at least fifty percent of members must be consumers or the parents, spouses, siblings, or adult children of consumers who are receiving or have received mental health services. The term of each member shall be for three years, with appointments staggered over a three-year period. Appointed members must commit to regular attendance at meetings and participation on one committee. One member of the BHAB is required to be a member of the County's Board of Supervisors.

The proposed bylaws have been revised to update Articles V and VI to add a Member Emeritus position to the BHAB Executive Committee. The outgoing Chairperson of the Executive Committee may continue to serve on the Executive Committee as a Member Emeritus. The Member Emeritus position was created in order to: (1) ensure continuity on the BHAB Executive Committee by assisting during the transitions of the newly elected BHAB Executive Committee Chairperson, and (2) provide for the sharing of experience and knowledge with the BHAB Executive Committee. The Member Emeritus position will be an elected position that will serve on the BHAB Executive Committee for a term of one year or until a successor has been elected. The Member Emeritus must be a current member in good standing of the BHAB. The revised bylaws were approved by the required vote of two thirds of the BHAB's membership at its March 20, 2017 meeting, pending approval by your Board.

VCBH is proposing that the Board of Supervisors approve the revised BHAB bylaws.

3. Triage Grant Amendment

Through the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC), \$32 million in MHSA funding has been made available to support grants for hiring 600 mental health triage personnel statewide. The purpose behind the funding is to increase availability of mental health triage personnel who provide crisis support services including: crisis triage, targeted case management, and linkage to services for individuals with mental health issues who require a crisis intervention. Triage personnel are to be located at various points of access throughout the community, such as hospital emergency rooms, jails, homeless shelters, and clinics. By increasing access to crisis stabilization services, the MHSOAC seeks to provide an opportunity to reduce costs associated with expensive inpatient and emergency room care and better meet the needs of mentally ill individuals in the least restrictive manner possible.

In FY 2013-14, VCBH was awarded an MHSOAC grant in the amount of \$7,573,671 for the period of March 24, 2014 to June 30, 2017. The grant funds have been used to: (1) expand the existing Crisis Team, (2) staff the Ventura County Medical Center with clinicians who provide outreach to Inpatient Psychiatric Unit (IPU) patients prior to discharge to connect them with an outpatient mental health clinic and/or short-term crisis intervention services and provide short term crisis intervention/supervision of emergency room patients who have been placed on a 5150 hold, (3) create a community based mobile Rapid Response and Assessment team to provide triage for persons at high risk of hospitalization, (4) create "Engager" teams that provide community-based case management and outreach to high-risk individuals in the community and at the IPU or crisis residential facilities to ensure that such individuals are accessing services, (5) create a mobile Community Services Coordinator team that focuses on outreach to homeless mentally ill persons, and (6) provide management and grant evaluation staff to oversee the grant services.

The MHSOAC is granting a one year extension to all grantees due to delays in start-up and hiring experienced by many grantees across the state. The amendment to the MHSOAC grant agreement extends the term of the agreement and adds additional reporting requirements to cover the extended grant term. Grant funds available in the extended term have been included in the proposed VCBH budget for the next fiscal year.

VCBH is proposing approval for the VCBH Director to sign the First Amendment to the MHSOAC Standard Grant Agreement for mental health triage personnel services, extending the term of the agreement and reporting requirements through June 30, 2018.