

VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

April 17, 2017

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, May 15, 2017

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Ventura County Behavioral Health Administration
1911 Williams Drive, Training Room ♦ Oxnard, CA 93036

Note: The Behavioral Health Advisory Board has not yet approved these minutes. There may be additions/deletions or corrections before the minutes are accepted in final form.

BHAB Members Present

Claudia Armann
Ratan Bhavnani
Nancy Borchard, Secretary
Gane Brooking, Member at Large
Monique Garcia
Mary Haffner
Jerry Harris, 1st Vice Chair
Patricia Mowlavi
Cmdr. Ron Nelson
Denise Nielsen
Supervisor Linda Parks
Marlen Torres
Kay Wilson-Bolton
Sandra Wolfe

BHAB Members Absent

Janis Gardner, Chair
Karyn Bates, 2nd Vice Chair
Larry Hicks
McKian Nielsen
Irene Pinkard
Sidney White

Others Present

David Deutsch, NAMI
Marika Collins, Casa Pacifica
Mark Schumacher, Turning Point Foundation
Lucrecia Campos-Juarez, Clinicas del Camino Real
Jennifer Goble, Pacific Clinics

VCBH Managers/Staff Present

Elaine Crandall, Director
Kiran Sahota, MHSA Manager
Deborah Thurber, M.D., Youth & Family Medical Director
Sevet Johnson, Behavioral Health Manager
Jennifer Dougherty, Behavioral Health Manager
Edith Pham, BHAB Assistant
Terri Yanez, Special Projects Manager
Greg Bergan, Program Administrator
Hilary Carson, MHSA
Elaina Titus-Sterling, MHSA
Esperanza Ortega, MHSA
Clara Barron, MHSA
Jason Jones, Fiscal

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
I.	Call to Order First Vice-Chair Jerry Harris called the meeting to order at 1:10.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda Mr. Harris asked the Board to review and approve today's agenda. He noted that, due to lack of quorum at the start of the meeting, non-action items would be moved up until a quorum is established. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supervisor Parks requested to have action items prior to the presentation as she has to leave early. 	The agenda was approved as amended. M/S/C	
III.	Approval of the Minutes Mr. Harris asked the Board to review and approve the minutes of the March 20, 2017 meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gane Brooking requested that the following sentence be added to item VIII.B: The feeling of the group was that we need to build relationships with business leaders in Ventura County. 	The minutes were approved as amended. M/S/C	
IV.	Welcome and Introductions Mr. Harris welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.		
V.	Chair Announcements <p>A. Mr. Harris attended the exit meeting with the team of Medi-Cal auditors. They complimented VCBH as they feel this triennial audit was one of the best they have done.</p> <p>B. Congratulations to Patricia Mowlavi for being reappointed to the BHAB for a three-year term.</p> <p>C. Mr. Harris reminded members of the public who wish to address the board to fill out a Request to Address the Board and turn in the completed form to the Chair or BHAB Assistant. They should also indicate which agenda item number they are speaking to, whether an action item or a general public comment.</p>		
VI.	Public Comments David Deutsch reminded all that the NAMI Walk will take place on May 6. This event raises funds and also awareness about mental illness. Supervisor Parks, Ratan Bhavnani, Mary Haffner, Patricia Mowlavi and Elaine Crandall invited all to join their respective teams for this event.		
VII.	Board Members Comments and Announcements <p>A. Marlen Torres invited all BHAB members to Gold Coast Health Plan's Opioid Policy Summit on May 5th. Those planning to attend should contact Ms. Torres for registration.</p> <p>B. Gane Brooking noted that she attended the Suicide Prevention Committee meeting on April 7th. During this meeting, Kiran Sahota, MHSA Manager, announced that in the near future a suicide survivors support group will start meeting at New Beginning in Camarillo. Another topic of discussion was the suicide rate among older adults. A study seems to indicate that depression and isolation are precipitating factors.</p>		
VIII.	Presentation: Intensive Social Emotional Services (ISES) – Jennifer Dougherty, Behavioral Health Manager, Youth & Family Division The Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE) has contracted with VCBH to provide services to students with significant educational impairments due to a mental health disorder. VCBH provides these services in 20 out of 21 school districts; Conejo Unified School District provides its own services. Services include individual counseling, group and family therapy, and case management. Psychiatry is not included.	Information	

	<p>The students need to be referred by their school district. The focus of the mental health services is educationally related, and all services are linked to the student’s social/emotional Individualized Education Plan (IEP). ISES is not for students who have problems at home or in the community.</p> <p>Students who need continual support in the home can get Collaborative Education Services (COEDS), which is provided by AspiraNet. Currently, the COEDS program serves over 80 students and families.</p> <p>About 105 students attend one of the three Phoenix Schools. These three schools take only ISES students.</p> <p>Currently, 53 VCBH ISES clinicians serve 703 students in over 100 schools throughout the county.</p> <p>See attached presentation for further details.</p>		
<p>IX.</p>	<p>Director’s Report – Elaine Crandall</p> <p>Director Crandall commented on the ISES presentation, noting that Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) has grown the program. It has expanded into the Juvenile Facilities, which appears to be the only one in the state.</p> <p>A workshop will take place on April 19 at 6:00 p.m. at Cesar Chavez Elementary School in Oxnard to provide information on immigrant rights. VCBH and Public Health will have a table. VCBH is working with Central Coast Alliance United for A Sustainable Economy (CAUSE) to help define needed support.</p> <p>Director Crandall reviewed her Director’s Report handout (see attached for details):</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. On April 12 the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) provided a training on Managed Care and Final Rule Overview. 2. The State is moving behavioral health services towards a managed care environment and away from fee for service. VCBH will seek community input. 3. No Place Like Home Technical Assistance Funds are out. 4. The State is working with NAMI and the Hospital Association of Southern California on improving systems. 5. The State is considering alternatives to state hospitals. <p>Local updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Since its opening in December 2016, the Children’s Crisis Stabilization Unit has had 118 admission; 59% have been diverted away from hospitalization. • The Horizon View Mental Health Rehabilitation Center (MHRC) is full at 16 clients. • The state has approved the Mixteco Research project. The Children’s Accelerated Access to Treatment and Services (CAATS) is scheduled to be presented to the state in May. • VCBH hosted a training by the State DHCS and UCLA on Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral (SBIRT). • On April 5, VCBH hosted a meeting with the Ventura County Hospital to Home Alliance regarding mental health and Alcohol and Drug Programs available. • On April 11 VCBH received a Board of Supervisors’ resolution recognizing the importance of proper prescription drug disposal. • About 800 naloxone kits have been distributed, and 73 have reversed an opiate overdose. • In late March, VCBH underwent a triennial audit by DHCS. Overall preliminary results are very good. 		

X.	<p>Chief Operations Officer's Update – Patrick Zarate Mr. Zarate could not attend.</p>		
XI.	<p>Children's Accelerated Access to Treatment and Services (CAATS) – Kiran Sahota, MHSA Manager Mr. Harris reminded the Board that at the last General Meeting it voted to send the draft document to the public and receive comments.</p> <p>Ms. Sahota noted that CAATS is a proposed program funded by MHSA. It would provide comprehensive intake process for all youth entering the child welfare system. She did not receive any public comments during the 30-day public comment period.</p> <p>A motion was made to forward the project to the Board of Supervisors. It carried unanimously.</p>	<p>Forward the project to BOS. M/S/C</p>	
XII.	<p>New Business</p> <p>A. Confirm the Nominating Committee: Sandra Wolfe, Lairy Hicks, Gane Brooking A motion was made to accept the nominating committee. It carried unanimously.</p> <p>B. Confirm Appointment of Gane Brooking as Member-At-Large A motion was made to confirm the appointment of Gane Brooking as a Member-At-Large for a six-month term. It carried unanimously. Mr. Harris noted that he is pleased to have Ms. Brooking as Member-At-Large as she is very involved in the BHAB.</p>	<p>Accept nominating committee. M/S/C</p> <p>Accept appointment of Gane Brooking as Member-At-Large. M/S/C</p>	
XIII.	<p>Old Business</p> <p>A. Data Notebook update – Karyn Bates Ms. Bates was not in attendance. Mr. Harris noted that the Data Notebook is a valuable document and encouraged the Chairs of the TAY and Youth & Family Committees to incorporate some of the data into their Annual Reports. Mr. Harris shared the following list of corrections that Ms. Bates proposed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Page 30: last line of answer to question 3B should read “engaged” rather than “engage.” • Page 43: first paragraph, fourth to last line should read “There are also services” rather than “There is also services.” • Page 48: answer to question 7A should read “Through the Ventura County Office of Education” rather than “Though the Ventura County Office of Education.” • Page 55: answer to question 9B, second line should read “do not have an FSP program” rather than “do not have a FSP program.” <p>A motion was made to approve the Data Notebook as submitted. The motion passed unanimously.</p> <p>Gane Brooking thanked VCBH staff and Jennifer Goble of Pacific Clinics for their valuable input. She also thanked Karyn Bates, Cmdr. Ron Nelson, Jerry Harris for participating with her in the Data Notebook meetings.</p> <p>B. Objectives Workgroup update- Cmdr. Ron Nelson During a meeting attended by Nancy Borchard and Gane Brooking, this year's objectives were reviewed. The workgroup is pleased that some objectives were attained: alternatives to Patton State Hospital, conducting six site visits (on schedule to be achieved), cultural diversity.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding the objectives for 2017-18:</p>	<p>Approve the Data Notebook as corrected. M/S/C</p>	

	<p>i. Objective # 3: Supervisor Parks noted that the Board of Supervisors and the state and federal government are moving away from "shelter" toward supportive housing. She proposed using "bridge housing" or "transitional shelter." Claudia Armann, Gane Brooking, Kay Wilson-Bolton and Nancy Borchard urged the board to keep "shelter" for short-term needs and to add Supervisor Parks' proposed language for long-term needs.</p> <p>ii. Objective # 6 could read "advocate for local treatment facilities."</p> <p>iii. Answering Ms. Armann's question regarding objective # 10, Director Crandall noted that the VCBH strives to address the needs of all underserved cultures: LGBTQ, children ages 0 to 5, older adults, in addition to ethnic groups. Cmdr. Nelson concurred.</p> <p>iv. Supervisor Parks asked about prevention services to Transitional Age Youth (TAY).</p> <p>v. Director Crandall recommended that the BHAB's objectives align with those of the state.</p> <p>Cmdr. Nelson agreed to reconvene the workgroup and present an updated Objectives at the May General Meeting.</p>	Update draft BHAB Objectives 2017-18	Cmdr. Nelson
<p>XII.</p>	<p>Contracts</p> <p>Ms. Crandall submitted the following contracts, to be voted on by the Board of Supervisors (BOS):</p> <p>A. BOS Agenda – April 18, 2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. ADP – Substance Use Disorder Services Standard Agreement Amendment with the California Department of Health Care Services b. Continuum of Care Program Grant Agreement c. Lourdes Campbell & Associates Master Agreement Amendment <p>B. BOS Agenda – April 25, 2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Resolution Proclaiming May as Mental Health Month, Time Certain 10 a.m. b. Unilab Corporation Master Agreement Amendment <p>C. BOS Agenda – May 9, 2017</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Behavioral Health Advisory Board Annual Report Receive and File b. Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws Revision c. Triage Grant Amendment <p>See attached Executive Summary for details.</p> <p>Ms. Crandall invited all to attend the BOS meeting on April 25 to celebrate May is Mental Health Month, and the BOS meeting on May 9 when the Supervisors will receive the BHAB Annual Report and the amended BHAB Bylaws.</p> <p>A motion was made to send the contracts to the BOS as submitted. It passed unanimously.</p>	The Board approved sending the contracts to the BOS as submitted. M/S/C	
<p>XIV.</p>	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 3:00.</p>		

Behavioral Health Advisory Board GENERAL Meeting Attendance

	Terms	Members	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec DARK	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
District 1	9/13/16 – 3/10/18	Claudia Arman				X	X		X	X	X	X		
District 1	10/6/15 – 10/6/18	Karyn Bates	X	X	X		X		X	X	X			
District 2	2/23/16 – 2/23/19	Ratan Bhavnani	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X		
District 3	1/27/15 – 1/26/18	Nancy Borchard	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		
District 3	1/12/16 – 1/12/19	Gane Brooking	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		
District 5	9/24/14 – 9/23/17	Monique Garcia	X			X			X			X		
District 2	4/7/15 – 4/7/18	Janis Gardner	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X			
District 1	4/7/15 – 4/7/18	Mary Haffner		X	X	X	X		X	X		X		
District 4	9/17/13 – 9/17/16	Jerry Harris	X	X	X	X	X		X	X	X	X		
District 3	12/2/14 – 12/1/17	Larry Hicks	X	X	X		X		X	X	X			
District 2	3/14/17 – 3/14/20	Patricia Mowlavi	X	X	X	X	X		X			X		
District 2	1/1/17 – 12/31/18	Supervisor Linda Parks							X	X	X	X		
District 4	10/13/15 – 10/13/18	Cmdr. Ron Nelson	X	X		X	X		X	X	X	X		
District 4	9/17/15 – 9/17/18	Denise Nielsen	X	X		X			X	X	X	X		
District 4	9/17/14 – 9/17/17	McKian Nielsen	X	X					X	X				
District 5	1/24/17 – 1/24/20	Dr. Irene Pinkard	X	X		X			X	X				
District 5	1/10/17 – 1/10/20	Marlen Torres							X	X		X		
District 1	3/10/15 – 3/10/18	Sidney White, AICP			X	X	X		X	X				
District 3	4/14/15 – 4/14/18	Kay Wilson-Bolton	X	X	X	X	X		X		X	X		
District 5	1/11/15 – 1/10/18	Sandra Wolfe	X	X	X	X			X	X	X	X		

District 2		vacant												
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Present = X

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