

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

General Meeting

Monday, August 21, 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 July 17, 2017 Minutes – **ACTION**
- IV. Welcome and Introductions
- V. Public Comments (3 min. per speaker)
- VI. Chair's Report (5 min.)
 - A. Events and Announcements – Janis Gardner, Chair Emeritus (5 min.)
- VII. Board Members Comments and Announcements (3 min. per speaker)
- VIII. Presentation: Managed Care Update and Director's Report – Elaine Crandall, VCBH Director (30 min.)
- IX. Chief Operations Officer's Update – Patrick Zarate (10 min.)
- X. Secretary's Report – Nancy Borchard (5 min.)
- XI. BHAB Committees Reports (5 min. each)
 - A. Adult Services Committee – Karyn Bates, Nancy Borchard – Co-Chairs
 - B. Prevention Committee – Janis Gardner, Chair
 - C. Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Committee – Cmdr. Ron Nelson, Chair
 - D. Youth & Family Committee – Denise Nielsen, Chair
- XII. New Business
 - A. FY 2016-17 Objectives Assessment Form
 - B. Follow-up to MHSA Community Forums – Ratan Bhavnani (5 min.)
 - C. Committee Chairs Meetings with Executive Committee
 - D. College Student Involvement in BHAB Committees
- XIII. Old Business
 - A. Annual Report Update (5 min.)
 - B. Recommendations for Recognition Awards (5 min.)
 - C. Recommendations for Board Presentations (5 min.)
- XIV. Contracts – **ACTION**
 - A. Board of Supervisors Agenda – September 12, 2017
 1. California Lutheran University Clinical Practicum Training Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)
 2. Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 and FY 2017-18 Aurora Vista Del Mar Amendment and One-time Payment to Bakersfield Behavioral Healthcare, LLC
 3. FY 2016-17 Casa Pacifica Amendment
 4. Ventura County Office of Education SELPA MOU
- XV. Public Comments (3 min. each)
- XVI. Adjourn

Next Meeting: Monday, September 18, 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: August 15, 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 – September 12, 2017

1. California Lutheran University Clinical Practicum Training Memorandum of Understanding (MOU)

VCBH collaborates with a number of educational institutions to provide volunteer internship opportunities for students enrolled in various mental health related educational programs. These educational programs typically require fieldwork or internship experiences within a behavioral health setting as part of their academic program. The proposed MOU between VCBH and California Lutheran University would create a volunteer student clinical practicum training program for California Lutheran University counseling, marriage and family therapy, or psychology students. VCBH will provide the students with an opportunity to obtain specialized clinical training in the practice of counseling, marriage and family therapy, or psychology. By establishing this volunteer student clinical practicum training program, VCBH is participating in the development of future counseling, marriage and family therapy, and psychology professionals and creating a potential pool of professionals to recruit from in the future. In addition, having students working as volunteers under clinical supervision at our clinics enriches the clinical services we provide. In fiscal year 2017-18, VCBH will host approximately three (3) volunteer student interns from California Lutheran University. It is estimated that in future years, VCBH may host three (3) to five (5) students per year from this university.

VCBH is proposing approval for the VCBH Director to sign the MOU to establish a volunteer student clinical practicum training program between VCBH and California Lutheran University, effective August 1, 2017 through July 31, 2022.

2. Fiscal Year (FY) 2016-17 and FY 2017-18 Aurora Vista Del Mar Amendment and One-time Payment to Bakersfield Behavioral Healthcare, LLC.

Vista Del Mar FY 2016-17 - Located in Ventura, Vista Del Mar is an acute psychiatric inpatient hospital, managed by the Aurora Behavioral Health Care company. VCBH has contracted with Vista Del Mar since 1997 to provide psychiatric inpatient hospital services. Vista Del Mar is considered a freestanding facility, under Title 19 of the Social Security Act. Freestanding facilities are prohibited from receiving Federal Medicaid (Medi-Cal) reimbursement for services rendered to adult beneficiaries between the ages of 21 to 64. Title 9, Section 1820.220, b – 1, states that the County Mental Health Plans are responsible for payment.

The FY 2016-17 contract was initially established in the amount of \$75,000 (100 treatment days), and was later increased to \$99,250 (132 treatment days) to cover billing through June. A total of 28 patients (6 uninsured youth, 4 uninsured adults and 13 adults with Medi-Cal (between the ages of 21 to 64)) were admitted to Vista Del Mar in FY 2016-17. In July, VCBH received invoices for 5 patients who were admitted in the months of March, April and June for a total of 110 days. A majority of the 110 days billed, were for a patient with both Medicare and Medi-Cal insurance. Vista Del Mar billed Medicare as the primary insurance and were informed that the patient had exhausted all Medicare inpatient hospital benefits. This caused a delay in invoice submission to VCBH.

VCBH is proposing approval for the Purchasing Agent or designee to sign the Thirteenth Amendment to the contract for psychiatric inpatient hospital services, in the amount of \$167,250 (an increase of \$68,000), effective July 1, 2016 through June 30, 2017. This contract is funded with Realignment and County General Fund.

Vista Del Mar FY 2017-18 - Under a new contract with VCBH, Vista Del Mar will continue to provide inpatient psychiatric inpatient hospital services to Ventura County adolescents/adults who are uninsured or are Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Additionally, VCBH is collaborating with Vista Del Mar, County Inpatient Psychiatric Unit and hospital emergency rooms to closely monitor patient admissions.

VCBH is proposing approval for the Purchasing Agent or designee to sign the contract for psychiatric inpatient hospital services with Vista Del Mar, in the amount of \$130,000, payable at a rate of \$800 per day for adolescents and \$750 per day for adults, effective September 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018. The adolescent rate increased by \$50 from prior fiscal year (\$750 to \$800) and the adult rate remains the same from prior year. This contract is funded with Realignment and County General Fund.

Bakersfield Behavioral, is an acute psychiatric inpatient hospital, and is also managed by Aurora Behavioral Health Care company. Bakersfield Behavioral has been utilized to treat Ventura County Medi-Cal beneficiaries requiring inpatient psychiatric services. This facility used to be integrated with Good Samaritan Hospital and was able to bill Medi-Cal. In June 2017, VCBH was informed that as of October 29, 2015, Bakersfield Behavioral was no longer integrated with Good Samaritan Hospital and transitioned to a freestanding facility. As a result of the change, Bakersfield could no longer bill Medi-Cal for beneficiaries between the ages of 21 to 64. VCBH received a request for payment from Bakersfield Behavioral for services rendered to 47 Ventura County Medi-Cal beneficiaries (between the ages of 21 to 64) during the months of October 2016 through May 2017 (a total of 270 treatment days). As the Mental Health Plan, VCBH is obligated to pay for these services pursuant to Title 9,

Section 1820.220, b-1. Moving forward, VCBH will continue to pay for services provided to Ventura County patients admitted to Bakersfield Behavioral on a case-by-case basis.

VCBH is proposing approval for the Auditor Controller to make a one-time payment to Bakersfield Behavioral in the amount of \$191,160 for 270 treatment days at a rate of \$708 per day which is the Ventura County published rate.

3. FY 2016-17 Casa Pacifica Amendment

VCBH contracts with Casa Pacifica for a variety of program services; many of which are included under one agreement. Those program services include: Residential, Shelter, Non-Public School (NPS), Therapeutic Behavioral Services (TBS), and Parent Child Interactive Therapy (PCIT) services. Despite clear language in the contract that program costs cannot be shared between programs, Casa Pacifica is requesting a cost reallocation for the Residential and NPS programs as these programs exceeded their program maximum as detailed below:

Casa Pacifica Programs within Residential/Campus Services Agreement	FY 2016-17 Program Maximum	Proposed FY 2016-17 Program Maximum	FY 2016-17 Variance Under/(Over)
Residential	\$925,600	\$1,075,600	(\$150,000)
Shelter	\$1,484,100	\$1,232,101	\$251,999
NPS	\$334,330	\$414,251	(\$79,921)
TBS	\$2,328,600	\$2,328,600	\$0
PCIT	\$485,200	\$485,200	\$0
Total	\$5,557,830	\$5,535,752	\$22,078

As indicated in the table above, the Residential program costs exceeded the program maximum by \$150,000 and the NPS program costs exceeded the program maximum by \$79,921. The program maximums for the Shelter program were underutilized. In FY 2016-17, Casa Pacifica switched to a direct costing method versus allocating cost by units of service. The direct costing method provides a better representation of actual program costs in campus programs.

VCBH is proposing the approval of the proposed Fifth Amendment to modify the payment terms of the contract to reallocate program costs for the Residential, Shelter, and NPS programs rather than capping program costs at the amounts originally set forth in the contract. Approval of the proposed recommendation will result in a payment to Casa Pacifica in the amount of \$229,921 for its Residential and NPS program costs. This payment, however, will not cause the FY 2016-17 contract maximum to be exceeded because Casa Pacifica's expenses in

the Shelter program were less than the respective program maximum amount set forth in the contract by \$251,999. All programs under this agreement are funded with Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation, Early and Periodic Screening, Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) /Realignment, and County funds.

4. Ventura County Office of Education SELPA MOU

On June 30, 2011, Assembly Bill 114, Chapter 43, Statutes of 2011 (AB 114) was signed into law. Under AB 114, several sections of Chapter 26.5 of the California Government Code were amended or rendered inoperative. School Districts and Ventura County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA) are now solely responsible for ensuring that students with disabilities receive the Special Education and Related Services needed to address their social, emotional, and behavioral needs, in accordance with the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA).

VCBH has agreed to continue to provide special education related mental health services and invoice Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE)/SELPA for costs not covered by Short-Doyle/Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation, EPSDT/Realignment funds. The services may include, but are not limited to, assessments, individual therapy, group therapy, collateral services, case management, day rehabilitation, residential placement, and other mental health services.

On April 22, 2014, the Board of Supervisors approved an MOU with VCOE/SELPA for fiscal year 2014-15, with the ability to extend for two additional one-year terms ending June 30, 2017. The MOU delineates the roles and responsibilities of both parties and clarifies processes. The MOU being presented to the Board of Supervisors has been updated to reflect the change to the program name from Social/Emotional Services (ISES) to Educationally Related Social Emotional Services (ERSES).

VCBH is proposing the approval for the VCBH Director to sign the amended MOU with VCOE/SELPA, effective July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018, with the option to extend for an additional two one-year terms.
