

VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD

GENERAL MEETING

MINUTES

January 28, 2019

NEXT MEETING:

Monday, February 25, 2019

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

Jerry Harris, Chair
Claudia Armann
Ratan Bhavnani, 1st Vice Chair
Nancy Borchard
Gane Brooking, 2nd Vice Chair
Margaret Cortese, Member-At-Large
Monique Garcia
Janis Gardner, Secretary
Mary Haffner
Patricia Mowlavi
Denise Nielsen
Gina Petrus
Irene Pinkard
Marlen Torres
Sheri Valley

BHAB Members Absent

Jamie Banker
Kevin Clerici
Capt. James Fryhoff
Supervisor Linda Parks

Others Present

Matthew Sandoval, Health Care Agency Chief Deputy Director
Scott Walker, CIT
Mark Stadler, CIT
Georgia Perry
Jennifer Goble, Pacific Clinics
David Deutsch, NAMI
Melissa Hannah, United Parents
Kalie Matisek, Turning Point Foundation
Elizabeth R. Stone
Marika Collins, Casa Pacifica
Lisa Powell

Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Managers and Staff Present

Sevet Johnson, VCBH Director
Robin Boscarelli, Crisis Team Clinic Administrator
Tina Coates, Patient Rights Advocate
Loretta Denering, Alcohol and Drug Programs Division Chief
Erick Elhard, Crisis Team Clinic Administrator
Patricia Gonzalez, Quality Assurance
Jason Jones, MHPA Fiscal
Aurelia Musni, Fiscal
Esperanza Ortega, MHPA
Pete Pringle, Youth & Family Division Chief
Kiran Sahota, MHPA Manager
Dr. John Schipper, Adult Division Chief
Susan White Wood, Housing Manager
Terri Yanez, Administrative Division Chief
Edith Pham, BHAB Assistant

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
I.	Call to Order Chair Harris called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. He led the audience in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. Flag.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda Mr. Harris asked the Board to review and approve today's agenda. Claudia Armann moved to approve, Nancy Borchard seconded. The motion passed unanimously.	The agenda was approved as written. M/S/C	
III.	Approval of the Minutes Mr. Harris asked the Board to review and approve the minutes of the November 19, 2018 meeting. Janis Gardner moved to approve, Sheri Valley seconded. The motion passed with abstentions from Marlen Torres and Mary Haffner, who did not attend that meeting.	The minutes were approved as written. M/S/C	
IV.	Welcome and Introductions Mr. Harris welcomed everyone and asked BHAB members to introduce themselves.		
V.	Public Comments David Deutsch announced that NAMI Ventura County is moving into a new location at the Camarillo Airport; the general meetings will be held there starting in March. Also, everyone is invited to participate in the NAMI Golf Tournament on March 15 in Oxnard.		
VI.	Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) Awards Presentation Ceremony – Mark Stadler, CIT Program Administrator Mark Stadler recognized the VIPs in the audience and members of Law Enforcement who help coordinate the Crisis Intervention Training. He thanked VCBH for its support of the CIT Program. Scott Walker, CIT Program Assistant, presented Recognition Awards to the following community members for regularly presenting during the CIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alison Balter of NAMI; - Timothy Lumas, retired Oxnard Police Department Sergeant; - Rebecca Carpenter of VCBH Crisis Team; - Tina Coates, VCBH Patient Rights Advocate. <p>Mr. Harris and Mr. Stadler presented Recognition Awards to the following CIT Officer of the Year Nominees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Officer Joseph Pesce, Simi Valley Police Department; - Officer Nick Curtis, Oxnard Police Department; - Officer Anthony Reginato, Ventura Police Department; - Officer Elida Morgan, Port Hueneme Police Department; - Officer Hector Ramirez, Santa Paula Police Department; - Deputy Michael Zabarsky, Ventura County Sheriff's Office; - Deputy MacKenzie Spears, Ventura County Sheriff's Office; - Deputy Cameron Knox, Ventura County Sheriff's Office. <p>Mr. Stadler noted that MHSA Manager and former CIT Program Administrator Kiran Sahota, Crisis Team Manager Julie Glantz, and NAMI Ventura County Executive Director David Deutsch selected the CIT Officers of the Year: Deputy MacKenzie Spears and Officer Joseph Pesce.</p> <p>Mr. Harris related witnessing an incident in which law enforcement responded to a call of a person acting strangely; the officers treated that person with respect and kindness. Dr. Sevet Johnson noted that she is grateful for the strong collaboration that VCBH has with all local law enforcement agencies. Pictures of the nominees and winners were taken.</p>		
VII.	Chair's Report – Jerry Harris Mr. Harris noted that: A. Kay Wilson-Bolton has resigned from the BHAB and is now focusing on the homeless in Santa Paula. She requested that no recognition be given to her, but a Certificate will be sent to her. B. Mr. Harris did not attend the quarterly meeting of the California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards & Commissions (CALBHB/C) earlier this month, but he provided the association with written suggestions.		

	<p>C. During the January meeting of the BHAB Adult Services Committee, a discussion took place regarding the Lanterman Petris Short (LPS) Reform Task Force report that was published in March 2012. He suggested that all board members look at the report because the same issues/problem areas still exist today.</p> <p>Ms. Gardner provided brief information on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The City of Oxnard's foul weather shelter; - Agency 101 on January 30 at the Ventura County Office of Education; - NAMI Golf Tournament on March 15; - Supervisor Parks' update: "Growing Works Grows, Thanks to You!" <p>Elizabeth Stone made a public comment. She stated that the Oxnard foul weather shelter was open for one night, subsequently for about one week, and is not currently open.</p>		
VIII.	<p>Board Members Comments and Announcements</p> <p>Nancy Borchard noted that there have been ongoing issues with the NAMI Friends in the Lobby program at the Inpatient Psychiatric Unit (IPU), a program in which NAMI volunteers are available to answer questions from family members whose loved ones are hospitalized at the IPU. Ms. Borchard related that a few days prior, there was no security guard at the IPU and the NAMI volunteer was not allowed to set up a table in the lobby and help families. She hopes this issue will be resolved soon.</p> <p>Denise Nielsen announced that on February 10 the Pinkard Youth Institute, which was founded by Irene Pinkard and her late husband Bedford, will hold its African American Youth Leadership Awards Supper and Memorial Tribute from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at the Courtyard by Marriott in Oxnard. Ms. Nielsen offered tickets to the event.</p> <p>Gane Brooking noted that the year-round shelter being planned in Ventura will hopefully open in January 2020 following extensive renovation to a building on Knoll Drive.</p> <p>Mary Haffner noted that she was on a conference call set up by Treatment Advocacy Center regarding Institution for Mental Diseases (IMD) exclusion. In late 2018 the Department of Health and Human Services announced that regulatory changes will allow the states to receive Medicaid reimbursements for mental health treatment in inpatient settings; states will need to actively apply for the waiver of the IMD exclusion. Mr. Harris and the board agreed to put this on the February General Meeting agenda.</p>	Gather information on IMD exclusion and present at the February 2019 General Meeting	M. Haffner
IX.	<p>Presentation: Statewide Survey of Parents/Caregivers – Lori Litel, Executive Director, United Parents</p> <p>Ms. Litel was unable to attend the meeting. Melissa Hannah, United Parents' OAC Grant Coordinator, provided an overview of the services provided by United Parents.</p> <p>In 2017 United Parents and a few other organizations launched Parents and Caregivers for Wellness (PC4W), which has been providing regional/statewide training to parents, caregivers and providers and surveying them and the youth regarding their concerns and unmet needs. Ms. Hannah provided information about the results of the survey. See attached for details.</p>		
X.	<p>Director's Report – Dr. Sevet Johnson</p> <p>A. VCBH is preparing for a visit from External Quality Review Organization (EQRO) on February 26-28. It will include a site visit to a clinic, a provider visit, and consumer and staff focus groups.</p> <p>B. VCBH is collaborating with the Inpatient Psychiatric Unit (IPU) and governing authorities to open a Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) at the IPU. Staffing, policies and other areas are being researched before approaching the California Department of Public Health (CDPH) and the Department of Health Care Services (DHCS).</p> <p>C. The Rapid Integrated Support and Engagement (RISE) expansion is being held up at the state, pending signatures that would authorize funding. VCBH is going ahead with identifying and training staff.</p> <p>D. Pre-trial diversion is under discussion. VCBH, the District Attorney's Office, the Public Defender's Office, and the courts are working on a plan that will define what the program will look like.</p>		

	<p>E. Access to services is under examination. VCBH is looking at the referral sources and at refining the screening process. The goals are to reduce the time between request for service and assessment, and to prioritize the referrals from the community.</p> <p>F. Between its opening and January 19, 2019, the Children’s Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) has admitted 1031 children and youth and diverted 566 of them away from hospitalization, for a 55% diversion rate.</p> <p>G. On December 1st, 2018 the Alcohol and Drug Program (ADP) implemented the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS), which is staffed with two employees. The Access line has received over 800 calls, over half of them are requests for services. Currently, care coordination is provided to 165 active clients.</p> <p>H. As of December 2018, VCBH has distributed 2826 overdose kits, resulting in 522 documented overdose reversals.</p> <p>Mr. Harris noted that Los Angeles County recently implemented a program where people with mental health issues who are being booked into the jail are assessed for diversion. Dr. Johnson agreed to look into this. Mr. Harris suggested that data be reported on an annual basis for the Children’s CSU so that trends can be identified and annual comparisons be made. He also noted that county/public employees are some of the most dedicated and hard-working staff he has had the privilege to work with.</p>	<p>Research the jail diversion program in Los Angeles County Provide year-to-year data on the CSU</p>	<p>Dr. Johnson Dr. Johnson</p>
<p>XI.</p>	<p>Secretary’s Report – Janis Gardner, Interim Secretary Mr. Harris noted that following Kay Wilson-Bolton’s resignation, he appointed Ms. Gardner as Interim Secretary.</p> <p>Ms. Gardner noted that Larry Hicks is resigning as he is relocating out of the county.</p>		
<p>XII.</p>	<p>BHAB Committee Report Status of Action Plans 2018-19</p> <p>A. Adult Services Committee – Nancy Borchard, Gane Brooking, Co-Chairs Ms. Brooking noted that a discussion resulted in a few committee members drafting two action plans focusing on older adults, one for outpatient services and one for inpatient services. Research is being done on the rationale and regulations that prevent people age 60+ from receiving services at the Inpatient Psychiatric Unit (IPU). Ms. Borchard noted that the committee is also developing an action plan for opening a Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) at the IPU.</p> <p>B. Prevention Committee – Janis Gardner, Chair The committee has prepared an action plan focusing on promoting cannabis education and awareness. Members are looking at what is being done to educate the community, especially the youth.</p> <p>C. Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Committee Mr. Harris noted that this report is deferred until February.</p> <p>D. Youth & Family Committee – Denise Nielsen, Chair The committee is developing an action plan that focuses on the lack of local inpatient psychiatric beds for children and on the lack of communication between treating outpatient psychiatrists and inpatient doctors during hospitalizations.</p> <p>Mr. Harris noted that the main goals of the committees are to advocate and identify unmet needs. The committee action plans will be distributed and reviewed at the February General meeting.</p>		
<p>XIII.</p>	<p>New Business</p> <p>A. Election to Fill Vacant Secretary Position Mr. Harris noted that Ms. Wilson-Bolton’s resignation from the BHAB left the Secretary position vacant. He opened nominations from the floor. Mary Haffner nominated Ms. Gardner, Denise Nielsen seconded. No other nominations were made. Ms. Gardner was unanimously elected. Mr. Harris announced that Ms. Gardner is the new Secretary and is vacating the Member Emeritus position.</p>	<p>J. Gardner was elected Secretary M/S/C</p>	

<p>B. Appoint and Confirm Transitional Age Youth (TAY) Committee Chair Mr. Harris noted that Ms. Wilson-Bolton’s resignation from the BHAB left the position of TAY Committee Chair vacant. Margaret Cortese voiced her willingness to move from the Youth & Family Committee to the TAY Committee and to chair it. No other BHAB member expressed interest in chairing the committee. Monique Garcia, Mr. Bhavnani and Ms. Brooking agreed to be members of the committee. Mr. Harris appointed Ms. Cortese as Chair of the BHAB TAY Committee. BHAB members confirmed the appointment.</p>	<p>M. Cortese was appointed Chair of the BHAB TAY Committee</p>	
<p>C. Status of Notification to Each Board of Supervisors Office on the BHAB Membership Requirements Mr. Harris noted that when the Supervisors interview candidates for positions on the BHAB, they explain the time commitment that is needed from them. Terri Yanez, VCBH Administrative Division Chief, noted that she has communicated with the Clerk of the Board and the County Executive Office Analyst on this. She will reach out to each Supervisor’s office and remind them of the requirements for serving on the BHAB.</p>	<p>Communicate with Supervisors re requirements for serving on the BHAB</p>	<p>T. Yanez</p>
<p>D. Composition of the Current Board Members by Category (Consumers, Family Members, Interested Community Members) Mr. Harris noted that the BHAB Bylaws describe the composition of the board. However, there is currently no mechanism in place to track this. Mr. Harris asked that all Board members provide the BHAB Assistant with his/her category for tracking purposes. Claudia Armann noted it is important to have consumers on the board, and Supervisors need to be made aware when the board is out of balance.</p>	<p>Provide the BHAB Assistant with category under which they serve</p>	<p>All BHAB Members</p>
<p>E. 2018 Data Notebook, Due March 31st Mr. Harris noted that this document is in the form of a brief survey. Each VCBH Division Chief will provide answers applicable to their divisions. Once this is done, Ms. Brooking, who is again taking the lead on this yearly project, will set up a meeting with interested BHAB members and VCBH Division Heads to finalize the BHAB response. Ms. Gardner noted that the completed Data Notebooks from Ventura are usually among the first to be received by the California Behavioral Health Planning Council. Dr. Johnson noted that the recently completed Community Mental Health Needs Assessment would be useful for completing the Data Notebook. Ms. Borchard wondered about the usefulness of the document, and Mr. Harris noted that this is a requirement for Boards and Commissions in the Welfare & Institutions Code. Ms. Brooking finds the Data Notebook useful to see where the county stands.</p>		
<p>F. Fiscal Year 2017-18 Annual Report Presentation to the Board of Supervisors on February 26 at 11:30 a.m. Mr. Harris invited all BHAB Members to attend the presentation that he will give to the Board of Supervisors. This year, his presentation will focus on the needs of the community served by VCBH.</p>		
<p>G. Strengths, Weaknesses, Opportunities and Threats (SWOT) Analysis of the BHAB Mr. Harris proposed to conduct a SWOT analysis of the board and focus on the board’s responsibilities. This would need to be done outside a General Meeting, possibly prior to an upcoming General Meeting. Board Members agreed.</p>	<p>Schedule a SWOT Analysis meeting</p>	<p>J. Harris</p>
<p>H. Report on Site Visit to A New Start for Moms (ANSFM) – Patricia Mowlavi Ms. Mowlavi noted that she and Jamie Banker conducted the site visit on November 13, 2018. The program provides substance use treatment and recovery services, which are being expanded under the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS). Ms. Mowlavi and Ms. Banker spoke with a client who is enthusiastic about the program. Staff identified several needs: increase community outreach, difficulty to drive clients living in Simi Valley to the clinic due to traffic congestion, accommodations that can serve groups with more than 12 participants, healthy snacks for children.</p>		

<p>XIV.</p>	<p>Old Business</p> <p>A. Amendment to the Bylaws to Add a Member to the BHAB Representing Law Enforcement Mr. Harris noted that at the November 2018 General Meeting the Board approved this suggested revision to its Bylaws, and County Counsel has reviewed and approved the wording of the amendment. Ms. Yanez added that VCBH is preparing a board letter so that the Board of Supervisors can vote on this.</p> <p>B. Confirm New Member-At-Large to a Six-Month Term Mr. Harris asked for a volunteer to fill this position, which carries a vote on the Executive Team. No BHAB Member present volunteered. The position will remain vacant for the time being.</p> <p>C. Future Presentations Mr. Harris noted that a DMC-ODS presentation is scheduled for the February General Meeting. Ms. Gardner proposed a presentation on human trafficking; she will provide contact information to the BHAB Assistant. Mr. Bhavnani proposed a presentation on the Public Guardian/Public Administrator; he will provide contact information to the BHAB Assistant.</p> <p>D. Future Recognitions Ms. Brooking proposed Dr. Frances O’Sullivan, a psychiatrist at the Conejo Adult Clinic; Mr. Harris agreed and asked Ms. Brooking to provide the wording for the Certificate.</p>	<p>Leave position vacant for the time being</p> <p>Provide contact information for presentations on human trafficking, Public Guardian</p> <p>Provide information for Certificate</p>	<p>J. Gardner, R. Bhavnani</p> <p>G. Brooking</p>
<p>XV.</p>	<p>Contracts</p> <p>Dr. Johnson referred all to the Board Letter Summary for November-December 2018. This briefly describes the contracts that the Board of Supervisors approved, which are described in details in the Executive Summary:</p> <p>A. Board of Supervisors Approved Agreements – November 6, 2018</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alcohol and Drug Prevention Services (ADP): California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant and Idea Engineering, Inc. Agreements 2. Alcohol and Drug Prevention Services (ADP): U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Grant Agreement, OJP ADP Fixed-Term Position, and Evalcorp Third Amendment 3. Mental Health Services: Airport Connection, Inc. Agreement 4. Mental Health Services: United Parents, Inc. Third Amendment, Seneca Family of Agencies Children’s Stabilization Unit (CSU) Sixth Amendment, and Seneca Comprehensive Assessment and Stabilization Services (COMPASS) Sixth Amendment <p>B. Board of Supervisors Approved Agreements – December 4, 2018</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Alcohol and Drug Program Services: Dennis M. Giroux & Associates, Inc. (DMG), Khepera House, HealthRight 360, Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc., Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC, and Western Pacific Med-Corp Agreements 2. Mental Health Services: All Languages Interpreting & Translating, Inc. (ALIT) Agreements 3. Mental Health Services: Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families Amendments 4. Mental Health Services: Department of Health Care Services (DHCS) Standard Agreement Amendment A01 5. Mental Health and Alcohol and Drug Program Services: Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. Fourth Amendment <p>Mr. Harris welcomed questions about these contracts. No questions were asked.</p>		
<p>XVI.</p>	<p>Public Comments</p> <p>None.</p>		
<p>XVII.</p>	<p>Adjourn</p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 3:10 p.m.</p>		

Behavioral Health Advisory Board GENERAL Meeting Attendance

2018-19	Terms	Members	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	June
District 1	3/11/18 – 3/10/21	Claudia Armann		X	X	X	X		X					
District 2	1/8/19 – 1/7/22	Jamie Banker		X	X	X	X							
District 2	2/24/19 – 2/23/22	Ratan Bhavnani	X	X	X	X	X		X					
District 3	1/27/18 – 1/26/21	Nancy Borchard	X	X	X	X	X		X					
District 3	1/13/19 – 1/12/22	Gane Brooking	X	X	X	X	X		X					
District 1	10/7/18 – 10/6/21	Kevin Clerici	X	X	X	X								
District 5	1/11/18 – 1/10/21	Margaret Cortese	X	X	X	X	X		X					
District 4	10/14/18 – 10/13/21	Capt. James Fryhoff				X								
District 5	10/17/17 – 9/23/20	Monique Garcia			X				X					
District 2	9/13/16 – 9/13/19	Janis Gardner	X	X	X	X	X		X					
District 1	4/8/18 – 4/7/21	Mary Haffner	X						X					
District 4	9/17/16 – 9/17/19	Jerry Harris	X	X	X	X	X		X					
District 2	3/14/17 – 3/14/20	Patricia Mowlavi		X	X	X	X		X					
District 4	9/18/18 – 9/17/21	Denise Nielsen		X	X		X		X					
District 2	1/1/19 – 12/31/21	Supervisor Linda Parks	X	X	X	X	X							
District 1	5/8/18 – 5/7/21	Gina Petrus	X	X	X	X	X		X					
District 5	1/24/17 – 1/24/20	Dr. Irene Pinkard				X			X					
District 5	1/10/17 – 1/10/20	Marlen Torres	X	X	LOA	LOA	LOA		X					
District 4	2/6/18 – 2/6/21	Sheri Valley	X	X	X	X	X		X					
District 3		vacant												
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Present = X

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

MESA CONSULTIVA DE VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH

REUNIÓN GENERAL

MINUTAS

28 de Enero del 2019

SIGUIENTE JUNTA:

Lunes, 25 de Febrero, 2019

1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m.

Ventura County Behavioral Health Administration
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Nota: El Mesa Consultiva de Ventura County Behavioral Health aún no ha aprobado estas minutas. Puede haber adiciones / eliminaciones o correcciones antes de que se acepten las minutas en su forma final.

Miembros de BHAB presentes

Jerry Harris, Presidente
Claudia Armann
Jamie Banker
Ratan Bhavnani, 1st Vice Presidente
Nancy Borchard
Gane Brooking, 2nd Vice Presidente
Margaret Cortese, Miembros en general
Monique Garcia
Janis Gardner, Secretaria
Mary Haffner
Patricia Mowlavi
Denise Nielsen
Gina Petrus
Irene Pinkard
Marlen Torres
Sheri Valley

Miembros de Ausentes BHAB

Jamie Banker
Kevin Clerici
Capt. James Fryhoff
Supervisora Linda Parks

Otros presentes

Matthew Sandoval, Director Adjunto de la Agencia de Cuidado de la Salud
Scott Walker, CIT
Mark Stadler, CIT
Georgia Perry
Jennifer Goble, Clínicas del Pacífico
David Deutsch, NAMI
Melissa Hannah, Padres Unidos
Kalie Matisek, Fundación Turning Point
Elizabeth R. Stone
Marika Collins, Casa Pacifica
Lisa Powell

Gerentes de VCBH y personal presente

Sevet Johnson, Directora VCBH
Robin Boscarelli, Administradora Clínica del Equipo de Crisis
Tina Coates, Defensora de los Derechos del Paciente
Loretta Denering, Jefe de la División de Programas de Alcohol y Drogas
Erick Elhard, Administrador Clínico del Equipo de Crisis
Patricia Gonzalez, Aseguramiento de la calidad
Jason Jones, MHSA Fiscal
Aurelia Musni, Fiscal
Esperanza Ortega, MHSA
Pete Pringle, Jefe de la División de Juventud y Familia
Kiran Sahota, Gerente de MHSA
Dr. John Schipper, Jefe de División de Adultos
Susan White Wood, Gerente de Vivienda
Terri Yanez, Jefe de la División Administrativa
Edith Pham, Asistente BHAB

	DISCUSIÓN / CONCLUSIONES	RECOMENDACIONES / ACCIONES	RESPONSABLE
I.	Llamar al orden El presidente Harris inició la reunión a la 1:05 p.m. El Dr. Dirigió a la audiencia para recitar el juramento de lealtad a la bandera de los EE. UU.		
II.	Aprobar la agenda El Sr. Harris le pidió a la Junta que revisara y aprobara la agenda de hoy. Claudia Armann se hizo la moción para aprobar, Nancy Borchard la secundó. La moción fue aprobada por unanimidad.	La agenda fue aprobada como está escrita. M / S / C	
III.	Aprobar las minutas El Sr. Harris le pidió a la Junta que revisara y aprobara las minutas de la reunión del 19 de noviembre de 2018. Janis Gardner hizo la moción de aprobar, Sheri Valley la secundó. La moción fue aprobada con abstenciones de Marlen Torres y Mary Haffner, quienes no asistieron a esta reunión.	Las minutas fueron aprobadas tal como están escritas. M/S/C	
IV.	Bienvenida y presentaciones El Sr. Harris dio la bienvenida a todos y pidió a los miembros de BHAB que se presentaran.		
V.	Comentarios del público David Deutsch anunció que el NAMI del Condado Ventura se mudará a una nueva ubicación en el Aeropuerto de Camarillo; las juntas generales se celebrarán allí a partir de marzo. Además, todos están invitados a participar en el Torneo de Golf NAMI el 15 de marzo en Oxnard.		
VI.	Ceremonia de presentación de los Premios del Equipo de Intervención en Crisis (CIT) - Mark Stadler, Administrador del Programa CIT Mark Stadler reconoció a los VIP en la audiencia y a los miembros de la policía que ayudaron a coordinar la capacitación de intervención en crisis. Agradeció a VCBH su apoyo al Programa CIT. Scott Walker, Asistente del Programa CIT, entregó los Premios de Reconocimiento a los siguientes miembros de la comunidad por su presentación regular durante el CIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Alison Balter de NAMI; - Timothy Lumas, Sargento Retirado del Departamento de Policía de Oxnard; - Rebecca Carpenter del Equipo de Crisis VCBH; - Tina Coates, Defensora de los Derechos del Paciente de VCBH El Sr. Harris y el Sr. Stadler entregaron los Premios de Reconocimiento a los siguientes Nominados de Oficial del Año de CIT: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Oficial Joseph Pesce, Departamento de Policía de Simi Valley; - Oficial Nick Curtis, Departamento de Policía de Oxnard; - Oficial Anthony Reginato, Departamento de Policía de Ventura; - Oficial Elida Morgan, Departamento de Policía de Port Hueneme; - Oficial Héctor Ramírez, Departamento de Policía de Santa Paula; - Oficial Michael Zabarsky, Oficina del Sheriff del Condado de Ventura; - Oficial MacKenzie Spears, Oficina del Sheriff del Condado de Ventura; - Oficial Cameron Knox, Oficina del Sheriff del Condado de Ventura. El Sr. Stadler indicó que el Gerente de MHSA y ex Administrador del Programa de CIT, Kiran Sahota, la Gerente del Equipo de Crisis, Julie Glantz, y el Director Ejecutivo del Condado de Ventura de NAMI, David Deutsch, seleccionaron a los Oficiales del Año del CIT: la Oficial MacKenzie Spears y el Oficial Joseph Pesce. El Sr. Harris relató haber presenciado un incidente en el que la policía respondió a una llamada de una persona que actuaba de manera extraña; los oficiales trataron a esa persona con respeto y amabilidad. La Dr. Sevet Johnson señaló que está agradecida por la sólida colaboración que VCBH tiene con todas las agencias locales de cumplimiento de la ley. Se tomaron fotos de los nominados y ganadores.		
VII.	Informe del Presidente – Jerry Harris El Sr. Harris señaló que: A. Kay Wilson-Bolton ha renunciado a la BHAB y ahora se está enfocando en las personas sin hogar en Santa Paula. Ella solicitó que no se le otorgue ningún reconocimiento, pero se le enviará un Certificado		

	<p>A. El Sr. Harris no asistió a la reunión trimestral de la Asociación de Juntas y Comisiones Locales de Salud Mental de California (CALBHB / C) a principios de este mes, pero proporcionó a la asociación sugerencias por escrito.</p> <p>B. Durante la reunión de enero del Comité de Servicios para Adultos de BHAB, se llevó a cabo una discusión sobre el informe del Grupo de Trabajo de Reforma de Lanterman Petris Short (LPS) que se publicó en marzo de 2012. Sugirió que todos los miembros de la junta miren el informe porque los mismos problemas / las áreas problemáticas todavía existen hoy.</p> <p>La Sra. Gardner proporcionó información breve sobre: - El refugio temporal de la ciudad de Oxnard; - Agencia 101 el 30 de enero en la Oficina de Educación del Condado de Ventura; - Torneo de Golf NAMI el 15 de marzo; -Actualización de la Supervisora Parks: “¡Desarrollando Trabajos que Crecen, gracias a ti!”</p> <p>Elizabeth Stone hizo un comentario público. Afirmó que el refugio temporal de Oxnard estuvo abierto durante una noche, posteriormente durante aproximadamente una semana, y actualmente no está abierto.</p>		
<p>VIII.</p>	<p>Comentarios y Anuncios de los Miembros de la Junta</p> <p>Nancy Borchard señaló que ha habido problemas continuos con el programa Amigos NAMI Friends en la Unidad de Psiquiatría para Pacientes Internos (UIP), un programa en el que los voluntarios de NAMI están disponibles para responder las preguntas de los familiares cuyos seres queridos están hospitalizados en la UIP. La Sra. Borchard relató que unos días antes, no había un guardia de seguridad en la UIP y que el voluntario de NAMI no tenía permitido poner una mesa en el vestíbulo y ayudar a las familias. Ella espera que este problema se resuelva pronto.</p> <p>Denise Nielsen anunció que el 10 de febrero, el Instituto Juvenil Pinkard, fundado por Irene Pinkard y su difunto esposo Bedford, celebrará la Cena y el Tributo a los Premios de Liderazgo Juvenil Afroamericano de 3:00 a 5:00 p.m. en el Courtyard by Marriott en Oxnard. La Sra. Nielsen ofreció entradas para el evento.</p> <p>Gane Brooking señaló que, con suerte, el refugio que se está planeando durante todo el año en Ventura se abrirá en enero de 2020 luego de una extensa renovación de un edificio en Knoll Drive.</p> <p>Mary Haffner indicó que estaba en una llamada de conferencia establecida por el Centro de Defensa del Tratamiento con respecto a la exclusión de la Institución para Enfermedades Mentales (IMD). A fines de 2018, el Departamento de Salud y Servicios Humanos anunció que los cambios regulatorios permitirán a los estados recibir reembolsos de Medicaid para el tratamiento de salud mental en entornos de pacientes hospitalizados; los estados deberán solicitar activamente la exención de la exclusión de IMD. El Sr. Harris y la junta acordaron incluir esto en la agenda de la Junta General de febrero.</p>	<p>Recopilar información sobre la exclusión de IMD y presentarla en la reunión general de febrero de 2019</p>	<p>M. Haffner</p>
<p>IX.</p>	<p>Presentación: Encuesta estatal de padres / cuidadores - Lori Litel, Directora Ejecutiva, Padres Unidos</p> <p>La Sra. Litel no pudo asistir a la reunión. Melissa Hannah, Coordinadora de Subvenciones OAC de United Parents, proporcionó una visión general de los servicios proporcionados por United Parents.</p> <p>En 2017, United Parents y algunas otras organizaciones lanzaron Padres y Cuidadores por el Bienestar(PC4W), que ha brindado capacitación regional / estatal a padres, cuidadores y proveedores, y los encuestó a ellos y a los jóvenes sobre sus inquietudes y necesidades no satisfechas. La Sra. Hannah proporcionó información sobre los resultados de la encuesta. Ver información adjunta para más detalles.</p>		

<p>X.</p>	<p>Informe de la Directora - Dr. Sevet Johnson</p> <p>A. VCBH se está preparando para una visita de la Organización de Revisión de Calidad Externa (EQRO) del 26 al 28 de febrero. Incluirá una visita a una clínica, una visita al proveedor y grupos de atención al consumidor y al personal.</p> <p>B. VCBH está colaborando con la Unidad de Psiquiatría para Pacientes Internos (UIP) y las autoridades gubernamentales para abrir una Unidad de Estabilización de Crisis (UCI) en la UIP. El personal, las políticas y otras áreas se están investigando antes de dirigirse al Departamento de Salud Pública de California (CDPH) y al Departamento de Servicios de Atención Médica (DHCS).</p> <p>C. La expansión de Compatibilidad y Apoyo Rápido Integrado (RISE) se está retrasando en el estado, en espera de las firmas que autorizarían el financiamiento. VCBH sigue adelante con la identificación y la capacitación del personal.</p> <p>D. La desviación previa al juicio está en discusión. VCBH, la Oficina del Fiscal del Distrito, la Oficina del Defensor Público y los tribunales están trabajando en un plan que definirá cómo se verá el programa.</p> <p>E. El acceso a los servicios está bajo evaluación. VCBH está analizando las fuentes de referencia y refinando el proceso de selección. Los objetivos son reducir el tiempo entre la solicitud de servicio y la evaluación, y priorizar las referencias de la comunidad.</p> <p>F. Entre su inauguración y el 19 de enero de 2019, la Unidad de Estabilización de Crisis (CSU) de niños ingresó a 1031 niños y jóvenes y desvió a 566 de ellos de la hospitalización, con una tasa de desviación del 55%.</p> <p>G. El 1 de diciembre de 2018, el Programa de Alcohol y Drogas (ADP) implementó el Sistema de Entrega Organizada de Drogas Medi-Cal (DMC-ODS), que cuenta con dos empleados. La línea de acceso ha recibido más de 800 llamadas, más de la mitad de ellas son solicitudes de servicios. Actualmente, se brinda coordinación de atención a 165 clientes activos.</p> <p>H. A partir de diciembre de 2018, VCBH ha distribuido 2826 kits de sobredosis, dando como resultado 522 reversiones documentadas de sobredosis.</p> <p>El Sr. Harris observó que el Condado de Los Ángeles implementó recientemente un programa en el que se evalúa la desviación de las personas con problemas de salud mental que están ingresadas en la cárcel. El Dr. Johnson accedió a estudiar esto. El Sr. Harris sugirió que los datos se informen anualmente para la CSU de los niños a fin de poder identificar las tendencias y hacer las comparaciones anuales. También señaló que los empleados públicos / del condado son parte del personal más dedicado y trabajador que ha tenido el privilegio de trabajar.</p>	<p>Investigar el programa de desviación de la cárcel en el condado de Los Ángeles Proporcionar datos año por año en la CSU</p>	<p>Dr. Johnson Dr. Johnson</p>
<p>XI.</p>	<p>Informe de la Secretaria Interina - Janis Gardner,</p> <p>El Sr. Harris observó que tras la renuncia de Kay Wilson-Bolton, designó a la Sra. Gardner como Secretaria interina.</p> <p>La Sra. Gardner observó que Larry Hicks está renunciando ya que se está mudando fuera del condado.</p>		

<p>XII.</p>	<p>Informe de la Comisión BHAB Estado de los planes de acción 2018-19</p> <p>A. Comité de Servicios para Adultos - Nancy Borchard, Gane Brooking, Copresidentes La Sra. Brooking señaló que una discusión dio como resultado que algunos miembros del comité redactaran dos planes de acción centrados en adultos mayores, uno para servicios ambulatorios y otro para servicios para pacientes hospitalizados. Se están realizando investigaciones sobre los fundamentos y las normas que impiden que las personas mayores de 60 años reciban servicios en la Unidad de Psiquiatría para pacientes hospitalizados (UIP). La Sra. Borchard señaló que el comité también está desarrollando un plan de acción para abrir una Unidad de Estabilización de Crisis (CSU) en la UIP.</p> <p>B. Comité de Prevención - Janis Gardner, Presidenta El comité ha preparado un plan de acción centrado en promover la educación y la concienciación sobre el cannabis. Los miembros están viendo lo que se está haciendo para educar a la comunidad, especialmente a los jóvenes.</p> <p>C. Comité de Jóvenes en Edad de Transición (TAY) El Sr. Harris señaló que este informe se aplaza hasta febrero.</p> <p>D. Comité de Jóvenes y Familias - Denise Nielsen, Presidenta El comité está desarrollando un plan de acción que se centra en la falta de camas psiquiátricas locales para pacientes hospitalizados y en la falta de comunicación entre el tratamiento de los psiquiatras ambulatorios y los médicos ambulatorios durante las hospitalizaciones.</p> <p>E. El Sr. Harris señaló que los principales objetivos de los comités son abogar e identificar las necesidades no satisfechas. Los planes de acción del comité serán distribuidos y revisados en la reunión general de febrero.</p>		
<p>XIII.</p>	<p>Nuevos asuntos</p> <p>A. Elección para llenar el puesto de secretario vacante El Sr. Harris indicó que la renuncia de la Sra. Wilson-Bolton de la BHAB dejó vacante el puesto de Secretario. Abrió las nominaciones. Mary Haffner nominó a la Sra. Gardner y Denise Nielsen la secundó. No se hicieron otras nominaciones. La Sra. Gardner fue elegida por unanimidad. El Sr. Harris anunció que la Sra. Gardner es la nueva Secretaria y está desocupando la posición de Miembro Emérito.</p> <p>B. Nombrar y confirmar al presidente del Comité de Jóvenes en Edad de Transición (TAY) El Sr. Harris observó que la renuncia de la Sra. Wilson-Bolton de BHAB dejó vacante el puesto de Presidente del Comité TAY. Margaret Cortese expresó su disposición a pasar del Comité de Jóvenes y Familias al Comité TAY y presidirlo. Ningún otro miembro de BHAB expresó interés en presidir el comité. Monique Garcia, el Sr. Bhavnani y la Sra. Brooking aceptaron ser miembros del comité. El Sr. Harris designó a la Sra. Cortese como Presidenta del Comité BHAB TAY. Miembros de BHAB confirmaron la cita.</p> <p>C. Estado de la notificación a cada oficina de la Junta de supervisores sobre los requisitos de membresía de la BHAB El Sr. Harris observó que cuando los Supervisores entrevistan a los candidatos para ocupar cargos en BHAB, explican el compromiso de tiempo que se les exige. Terri Yanez, Jefa de la División Administrativa de VCBH, señaló que ella se ha comunicado con el Secretario de la Junta y el Analista de la Oficina Ejecutiva del Condado al respecto. Ella se comunicará con la oficina de cada Supervisora y les recordará los requisitos para participar en BHAB.</p> <p>D. Composición de los miembros actuales de la Junta por categoría (consumidores, miembros de la familia, miembros de la comunidad interesados) El Sr. Harris observó que los Estatutos de BHAB describen la composición del consejo. Sin embargo, actualmente no existe ningún mecanismo para realizar un seguimiento de esto. El Sr. Harris pidió que todos los miembros de la Junta proporcionen al Asistente de BHAB su categoría para fines de seguimiento. Claudia Armann señaló que es importante tener consumidores en la junta, y que los</p>	<p>J. Gardner fue elegido secretario M / S / C</p> <p>M. Cortese was appointed Chair of the BHAB TAY Committee</p> <p>Comunicarse con los supervisores con respecto a los requisitos para participar en la BHAB</p> <p>Proporcionar al Asistente BHAB la categoría en la que sirven</p>	<p>T. Yanez</p> <p>Todos los miembros de BHAB</p>

	<p>supervisores deben ser informados cuando la junta está fuera de balance.</p> <p>Cuaderno de datos E. 2018, con vencimiento el 31 de marzo El Sr. Harris señaló que este documento está en forma de una breve encuesta. Cada Jefe de División de VCBH proporcionará respuestas aplicables a sus divisiones. Una vez hecho esto, la Sra. Brooking, que nuevamente está tomando la iniciativa en este proyecto anual, organizará una reunión con los miembros interesados de BHAB y los jefes de división de VCBH para finalizar la respuesta de BHAB.</p> <p>La Sra. Gardner señaló que los Cuadernos de datos completos de Ventura generalmente se encuentran entre los primeros en ser recibidos por el Consejo de Planificación de Salud Conductual de California. La Dr. Johnson señaló que la Evaluación de necesidades de salud mental comunitaria recientemente completada sería útil para completar el Cuaderno de datos. La Sra. Borchard se preguntó sobre la utilidad del documento, y el Sr. Harris señaló que este es un requisito para las Juntas y Comisiones en el Código de Bienestar e Instituciones. La Sra. Brooking encuentra útil el Cuaderno de datos para ver dónde está el condado.</p> <p>F. Presentación del Informe Anual del Año Fiscal 2017-18 a la Junta de Supervisores el 26 de febrero a las 11:30 a.m. El Sr. Harris invitó a todos los miembros de BHAB a asistir a la presentación que dará a la Junta de Supervisores. Este año, su presentación se centrará en las necesidades de la comunidad atendida por VCBH.</p> <p>G. Análisis de fortalezas, debilidades, oportunidades y amenazas (FODA) de la BHAB El Sr. Harris propuso realizar un análisis FODA de la junta y centrarse en las responsabilidades de la junta. Esto debería hacerse fuera de una Junta General, posiblemente antes de una próxima Junta General. Miembros de la Junta estuvieron de acuerdo.</p> <p>H. Informe sobre la visita al sitio de Un nuevo comienzo para las mamás (ANSFM) - Patricia Mowlavi La Sra. Mowlavi señaló que ella y Jamie Banker realizaron la visita al sitio el 13 de noviembre de 2018. El programa brinda servicios de tratamiento y recuperación por abuso de sustancias, que se están expandiendo bajo el Sistema de Entrega Organizada de Medicamentos de Medi-Cal (DMC-ODS). La Sra. Mowlavi y la Sra. Banker hablaron con un cliente que está entusiasmado con el programa. El personal identificó varias necesidades: aumentar el alcance a la comunidad, la dificultad de llevar a los clientes que viven en Simi Valley a la clínica debido a la congestión del tráfico, alojamientos que pueden servir a grupos con más de 12 participantes, bocadillos saludables para los niños.</p>	<p>Programar una reunión de análisis FODA</p>	<p>J. Harris</p>
<p>XIV.</p>	<p>Asuntos Anteriores</p> <p>A. Enmienda a los Estatutos para agregar un miembro a la BHAB que representa a la policía El Sr. Harris señaló que en la reunión general de noviembre de 2018, la Junta aprobó esta revisión sugerida de sus Estatutos, y el Consejo del Condado ha revisado y aprobado la redacción de la enmienda. La Sra. Yáñez agregó que VCBH está preparando una carta para que la Junta de Supervisores pueda votar sobre esto.</p> <p>B. Confirmar nuevo miembro general por un período de seis meses El Sr. Harris solicitó un voluntario para llenar este puesto, que lleva a cabo una votación en el Equipo Ejecutivo. Ningún miembro de BHAB presente voluntario. La posición permanecerá vacante por el momento.</p> <p>C. Presentaciones futuras El Sr. Harris señaló que una presentación de DMC-ODS está programada para la Junta General de febrero. La Sra. Gardner propuso una presentación sobre la trata de personas; ella proporcionará información de contacto al Asistente BHAB. El Sr. Bhavnani</p>	<p>Deje el puesto vacante por el momento</p> <p>Proporcionar información de contacto para</p>	<p>J. Gardner, R. Bhavnani</p>

	<p>propuso una presentación sobre el Guardián Público / Administrador Público; él proporcionará información de contacto al Asistente de BHAB.</p> <p>Futuros reconocimientos</p> <p>D. La Sra. Brooking propuso a la Dra. Frances O'Sullivan, Psiquiatra de la Clínica de Adultos Conejo; El Sr. Harris estuvo de acuerdo y le pidió a la Sra. Brooking que proporcionara la redacción del Certificado.</p>	<p>presentaciones sobre trata de personas, Guardián Público.</p> <p>Proporcionar información para el certificado</p>	<p>G. Brooking</p>
<p>XV.</p>	<p>Contratos</p> <p>La Dra. Johnson hizo referencia al Resumen de la Carta de la Junta para noviembre-diciembre de 2018. Esto describe brevemente los contratos que aprobó la Junta de Supervisores, que se describen en detalle en el Resumen Ejecutivo:</p> <p>A. Acuerdos aprobados de la Junta de Supervisores - 6 de noviembre de 2018</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Servicios de Prevención de Alcohol y Drogas (ADP): Acuerdos de la Oficina de Seguridad de Tráfico (OTS) de California e Idea Engineering, Inc. Acuerdos 2. Servicios de Prevención de Alcohol y Drogas (ADP): Contrato de Subvenciones de la Oficina de Programas de Justicia (OJP) del Departamento de Justicia de los EE. UU., Posición de plazo fijo de ADP de OJP y Tercera Enmienda de Evalcorp 3. Servicios de salud mental: Acuerdo Airport Connection, Inc. 4. Servicios de Salud Mental: United Parents, Inc. Tercera Enmienda, Sexta Enmienda de la Unidad de Estabilización Infantil (CSU) de Seneca Familia de Agencias, y Sexta Enmienda de los Servicios de Evaluación Integral y Estabilización de Séneca (COMPASS) <p>B. Acuerdos aprobados por la Junta de Supervisores - 4 de diciembre de 2018</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Servicios del Programa de Alcohol y Drogas: Dennis M. Giroux & Associates, Inc. (DMG), Khepera House, HealthRight 360, Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc., Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC y Western Pacific Med-Corp. 2. Servicios de salud mental: Acuerdo con All Languages Interpreting & Translating, Inc. (ALIT) 3. Servicios de Salud Mental: Enmienda Centros de Casa Pacifica para niños y familias 4. Servicios de Salud Mental: Enmienda A01 del Acuerdo Estándar del Departamento de Servicios de Atención Médica (DHCS) 5. Servicios del Programa de Salud Mental y Alcohol y Drogas: Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. Cuarta Enmienda <p>El Sr. Harris dio la bienvenida a las preguntas sobre estos contratos. No se hicieron preguntas.</p>		
<p>XVI.</p>	<p>Comentarios públicos</p> <p>Ninguno.</p>		
<p>XVII.</p>	<p>Cierre de la Junta</p> <p>La junta finalizó a las 3:10 p.m.</p>		

MESA CONSULTIVA DE VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH Asistencia General a la Junta.

2018-19	Términos	Miembros	Julio	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dic	Ene	Feb	Mar	Abr	Mayo	Junio
Distrito 1	3/11/18 – 3/10/21	Claudia Armann		X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 2	1/8/19 – 1/7/22	Jamie Banker		X	X	X	X							
Distrito 2	2/24/19 – 2/23/22	Ratan Bhavnani	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 3	1/27/18 – 1/26/21	Nancy Borchard	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 3	1/13/19 – 1/12/22	Gane Brooking	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 1	10/7/18 – 10/6/21	Kevin Clerici	X	X	X	X								
Distrito 5	1/11/18 – 1/10/21	Margaret Cortese	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 4	10/14/18 – 10/13/21	Capt. James Fryhoff				X								
Distrito 5	10/17/17 – 9/23/20	Monique Garcia			X				X					
Distrito 2	9/13/16 – 9/13/19	Janis Gardner	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 1	4/8/18 – 4/7/21	Mary Haffner	X						X					
Distrito 4	9/17/16 – 9/17/19	Jerry Harris	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 2	3/14/17 – 3/14/20	Patricia Mowlavi		X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 4	9/18/18 – 9/17/21	Denise Nielsen		X	X		X		X					
Distrito 2	1/1/19 – 12/31/21	Supervisor Linda Parks	X	X	X	X	X							
Distrito 1	5/8/18 – 5/7/21	Gina Petrus	X	X	X	X	X		X					
Distrito 5	1/24/17 – 1/24/20	Dr. Irene Pinkard				X			X					
Distrito 5	1/10/17 – 1/10/20	Marlen Torres	X	X	LOA	LOA	LOA		X					
Distrito 4	2/6/18 – 2/6/21	Sheri Valley	X	X	X	X	X		X					
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- Distrito 1 Supervisor Bennett
- Distrito 2 Supervisor Parks
- Distrito 3 Supervisor Long
- Distrito 4 Supervisor Huber
- Distrito 5 Supervisor Zaragoza

Crisis Intervention Team Award Ceremony at the BHAB General Meeting of January 28, 2019



CIT Officers of the Year:

Officer Joseph Pesce, Simi Valley Police Department
Deputy MacKenzie Spears, Ventura County Sheriff's Office



CIT Officer of the Year Nominees, CIT Community Members, and CIT Program Administrator and Assistant



CIT Coordinators, Officer of the Year Nominees, Community Members, Program Administrator and Assistant

**The City of Oxnard will activate a
Foul Weather Shelter
in anticipation of a significant
rain event that is projected
to begin on Friday, January 11th.**

When: A Foul Weather Shelter will be activated in Oxnard on **Friday, January 11th, 2019.**

Location: Armory located at 351 S. K St., Oxnard.

Duration: The Armory will open on **Friday, January 11th, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.** and will remain open subject to weather conditions.

Contact: For more information, call Shelter Manager, Amanda Herrera at (805) 247-0335.

Donations: Anyone wishing to donate material items please contact the Shelter Manager at (805) 247-0335 prior to bringing them to the shelter.

Please note that gathering at the Oxnard Armory prior to 5 p.m. is not permitted.

Ventura County Children's System of Care

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Resources for families of at-risk children & youth.
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Learn about new services available to youth & families

Prevention	Employment Programs	After School Care	Education
Legal / Law Enforcement	Child / Family Services	Juvenile Justice Options	Mental Health Programs
Child Care	Housing	Health Benefits	Respite Care

This workshop is FREE! All are welcome to attend.

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

1:00pm to 4:00pm

Ventura County Office of Education Conference Center
5100 Adolfo Road, Camarillo

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National Alliance on Mental Illness

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March 15, 2019

7:00.....Check-In

8:15am.....Shotgun Start

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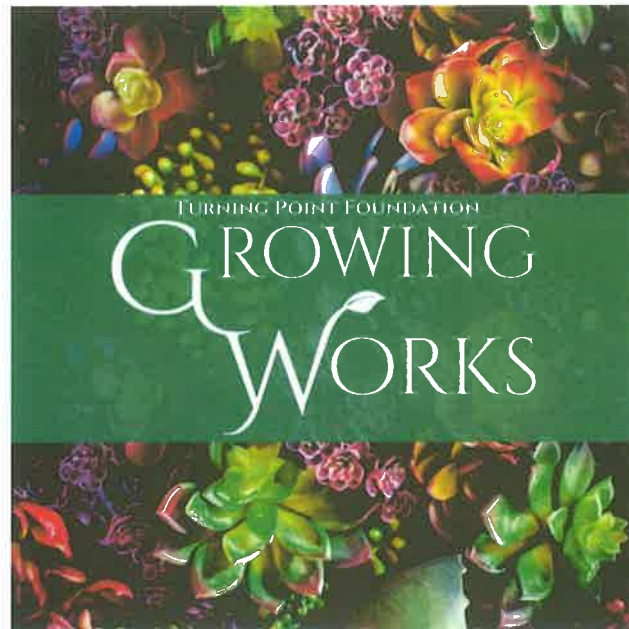
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December 27, 2018



Growing Works Grows, Thanks to You!

We know how important Growing Works is for people with mental health challenges. What we didn't know was how it would be so welcomed by the community. Now as we look back over the year, we count the start-up of the Growing Works nursery by Turning Point Foundation to be one of the year's most fulfilling accomplishments. We hope you agree too and will continue to support Growing Works by volunteering, contracting to buy the non-profit nursery's plants, and contributing funds so this remarkable program can be expanded to more participants.

Each day Growing Works employees, some who've been homeless, some who didn't believe they could ever have a job, are now receiving a paycheck for a hard day's work and are on a path to recovery and independence.

Earlier this month we invited the public to a Community Mental Health Day as a get away from the stress and sadness of the tragedy of the Borderline mass shooting and the destructive fires that impacted so many of us. We came together like they do for the Growing Works program, beginning in a circle with stretching led by an employee, then with shovels and rakes in hand we began our morning's work. On this day

we were honored to build an area for composting the flowers that had been left at the Borderline memorial. We'll use the compost to grow Thousand Oaks acorns into oak trees to be given back in memory of the Borderline victims. You can read more in this [Ventura County Star](#) article.



We can hardly believe it's been six months since Growing Works first opened its doors. The popular program fills the nursery each morning with enthusiastic participants referred to the program by Ventura County's Behavioral Health Department.

Next year we hope to add an afternoon program for veterans with post-traumatic stress. Turning Point Foundation already provides housing and support services to veterans with mental health challenges. Offering them an opportunity to participate in the Growing Works job training and horticultural therapy program will further their path to recovery too.

There is so much to look forward to! Please consider helping Growing Works to grow its programs by making a donation today, and sharing this email with others who may be interested.

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United Parents



United Parents is a grass roots nonprofit agency founded in 1990 on the basic principle of “parents helping parents”. Understanding the unique challenges of families raising children with emotional, behavioral or mental disorders, we identify and bridge gaps in traditional services by integrating local resources to enhance the long term outcomes in the home and community. We advocate for families to be recognized as full partners in the treatment and care of their children which is key to recovery.

Programs

- **Family Access and Support Team (FAST) or Parent Partner Program**
 - Partnership between United Parents and Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH).
 - Referrals through VCBH clinicians.
 - Designed to help families overcome problems which can result in serious crisis.
 - Parent Partner combines their own life experience of raising a child with challenging behaviors with on-going training to help highly stressed families move toward a more peaceful, functional home.
 - The program is designed to help families identify what is working, what triggers the problems, and brainstorm new strategies and ideas that can break the cycle of crisis.

Programs Cont.

- **Respite Program**

- Respite is a short-term, temporary break for the parents or caregivers of a child with emotional, behavioral or mental health issues to relax and regroup in order to be the best parent they can be.
- Respite for parents whose children have been referred by Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH).
- Families pay on a sliding scale, usually \$1-\$5 an hour for up to ten hours a month of respite care. The balance is subsidized through a contract with VCBH.
- When funding allows, group activities are planned that are not included in the ten hours per month of respite care.



Programs Cont.

- **Educational Advocacy Program**

- Assists parents with children ages two through twenty-two obtain the resources their child needs to get a high school diploma or equivalent.
- Referrals come from Probation, CFS, and CPS
- Advocates help parents navigate the complex Special Education system, explain testing and assessment procedures, eligibility, placement, and stay current on changing educational law.

- **Parents and Caregivers for Wellness Collaborative**

Supporting Parents and Caregivers of Children and Youth with Mental Health Challenges



Who We Are & What We Do

- Parents and Caregivers for Wellness (PC4W) is a collaborative launched in 2017 by United Parents, California Alliance of Caregivers (CAC), California Mental Health Advocates for Children and Youth (CMHACY), Capital Adoptive Families Alliance (CAFA), Children's Law Center of California (CLC), East Bay Children's Law Offices (EBCLO), and Young Minds Advocacy (YMA).
 - Northern California Mental Health America (NorCal MHA) joined the collaborative in 2018.
- Funded by the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC)
 - Funding provided by proposition 63- Mental Health Services Act
- Activities include:
 - Community engagement and education
 - Training for parents and caregivers and those who support them
 - Local and statewide advocacy



2017 and 2018 Activities

- Regional/Statewide in-person trainings to **309** parents and caregivers and **302** providers
 - Oxnard/Ventura County
 - Chico/Butte County
 - San Dimas/LA County
 - 2018 California Mental Health Advocates for Children and Youth (CMHACY) Conference in Monterey, CA
 - National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) California Conference in Monterey, CA
- **1,274** completed surveys
 - 1,124 parent/caregiver respondents
 - 39 provider surveys
 - 111 youth respondents



2017 and 2018 Activities cont...

- **19** Focus Groups
 - 114 parent/caregivers
 - 26 providers
- **11** Key Informant Interviews
- Advocacy with **9** local and **10** state decision makers/groups
- Subject matter expertise
- Outreach to:
 - **18,502** parents and caregivers
 - over **300** parent and caregiver run organizations and relevant parent/caregiver supports



Defining “Parents and Caregivers”

- Biological parents
- Kin caregivers
- Foster parents
- Adoptive families
- Legal representatives
- Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)
- Pregnant and parenting youth



Initial Needs Assessment: Differences

Biological Parents

- Respite
- Stable housing
- Overcoming fears of the “systems”

Kin Parents

- Legal assistance
- **Financial planning for retirements years (grandparents)**
- Financial support
- Respite

Adoptive and Foster Families

- Specific trainings for the unique needs of the children in their care
- **Services AFTER the child is adopted**
- Information about attachment
- Financial support
- Respite

Legal Advocates

- Coordination with child serving systems

Parenting Youth

- Child care
- Transportation



Initial Needs Assessment: Common Themes

Needs:

- **More respite care**
- Financial support
- Educational Advocacy
- Quality child care
- Knowledgeable professionals
- A support system
- Support groups
- Therapy for caregivers



What did parents and caregivers tell us?



PC4W 2017-2018 Survey

STATEWIDE

1,124 parents surveyed statewide representing 49 Counties

- Primary respondents
 - biological families (55%)
 - adoptive families (28%)
 - foster parents (18%)
- Age of youth cared for primarily range from 6-11 years old (44%) with 57% White/Caucasian
- Parents/caregivers report that 67% of the youth they care for have experienced trauma
 - 83% family stress
 - 50% domestic violence
 - 38% physical abuse

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212 parents/caregivers surveyed

- Primary respondents:
 - biological families (75%)
 - adoptive families (13%)
 - grandparent (10%)
- Age of youth cared for primarily range from 6-11 years old (51%) with 67% Latino
- Parents/caregivers report that 64% of the youth they care for have experienced trauma
 - 74% family stress
 - 33% domestic violence
 - 31% bullying



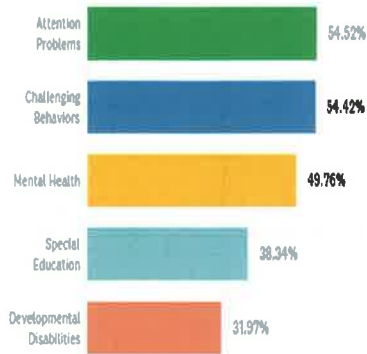
Parent/Caregiver advice and comments

“ What people do not understand about our children and families is that adoption trauma is very difficult to work with as a parent. There is a belief that once children are adopted, it is happily ever after since now the children are in a loving home. The truth is that we are often adopting children that are coming from such dire circumstances that they could never go home. Their trauma, grief and loss is so overwhelming and huge that it permanently effects brain development and results in extremely challenging behaviors. Often these behaviors do not emerge until the children feel safe and are living in their homes for a while and the adoption is finalized. At this point, many services have been cut off and are no longer available. Parents are blamed because the children have been living with them for a while. The truth is there is no adoption without trauma. The stress this places on caregivers, families, and children can be enormous. We need to be understood and have appropriate services available without making things worse.”- Anonymous Parent/Caregiver

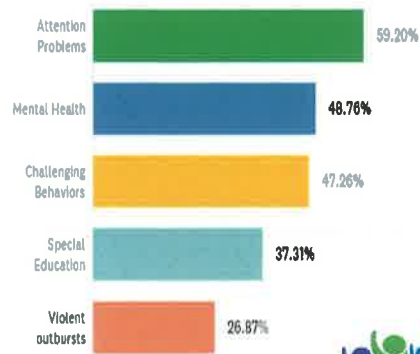


What concerns do parents have about the child/children they care for?

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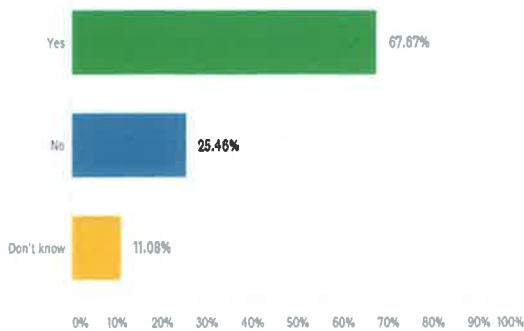


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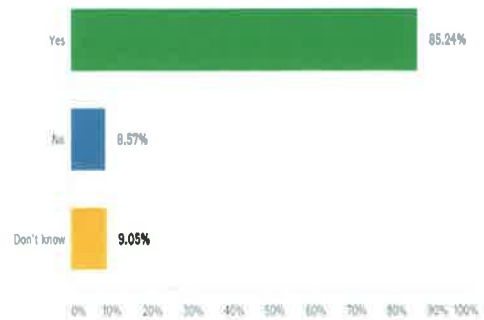


Do parents receive the services and supports they need for the child or youth they care for?

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If Not, Why?

STATEWIDE

I don't know what is available to help me or how to find resources (38%)

Not enough time in the day to access services/supports (33%)

The services and supports I need are not available in my community (28%)

I/my child are not eligible for programs we need (26%)

I get too overwhelmed (22%)

I cannot get anyone to listen to me when I ask for help for my child or myself (20%)

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I don't know what is available to help me or how to find resources (41%)

I get too overwhelmed (32%)

Not enough time in the day to access services/supports (24%)

I/my child are not eligible for programs we need (20%)

The services and supports I need are not available in my community (19%)

It is hard for me to trust people (19%)



“My children are receiving support and services they need, I myself don't feel supported as a parent and struggle with feelings of burnout.”- Anonymous Parent/Caregiver



“For the first several years, I couldn’t access or retain help because I was too dysregulated myself. Grateful that somebody recognized it so I could get treatment. But it would’ve been better if someone had helped me reign myself in earlier. NOTICE THE STATE OF THE MOM AND TREAT THAT FIRST.”- Anonymous Parent/Caregiver



What additional information and training/classes do parents need?

STATEWIDE NEEDS

- How to keep my child safe when I’m not with them (44%)
- Advocating for System Change (39%)
- General Support (38%)
- Advocating for my family (34%)
- General Education Information (23%)
- How my home environment can affect my child/children (22%)

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- How to keep my child safe when I am not with them (46%)
- General support (41%)
- General education information (31%)
- How to talk to my child/children about drugs and alcohol (24%)
- How violence in the home and community affects my child/children (23%)
- Advocating for family (21%)



The preferred method(s) of getting training/education

STATEWIDE PREFERRED METHOD

In a group - listening to an educator/trainer (61%)

Written - electronic (website, tablet, e-reader) (58%)

In-person - one on one listening to an educator/trainer (56%)

Written - paper, booklets, manuals, etc. (38%)

Videos - listening to a trainer, watching examples (36%)

VENTURA COUNTY PREFERRED METHOD

In-person - one on one listening to an educator/trainer (73%)

Written - paper, booklets, manuals, etc. (52%)

In a group - listening to an educator/trainer (42%)

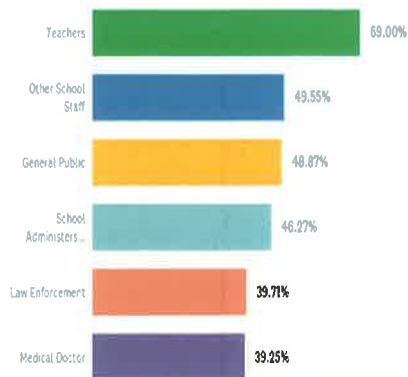
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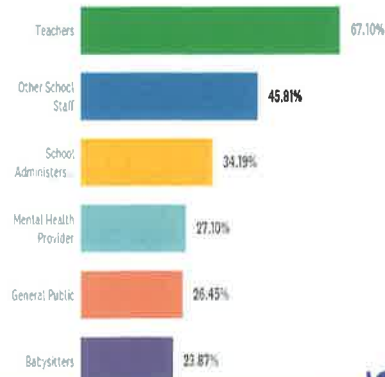


Which local agencies or individuals need to be trained about the needs of you and the child or youth you care for?

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"I have to say that to date most agencies act like some "secret organization". If you don't ask the right question they don't tell you about anything else except what you asked about." - Anonymous Parent/Caregiver



What topics do you think would be helpful to the local agencies or individuals to understand your family's needs?

STATEWIDE

The needs and strengths of the youth I care for (61%)

Understanding what I need to better care for my child or youth (58%)

Information about how to provide the best care to me and my family (57%)

Information about state and federal laws and regulations (42%)

Information about what I need to keep my family healthy (39%)

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Understanding what I need to better care for my child or youth (59%)

Information about how to provide the best care to me and my family (51%)

The needs and strengths of the youth I care for (46%)

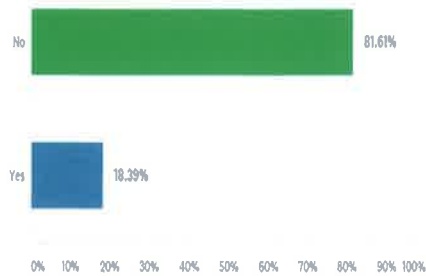
Information about what I need to keep my family healthy (43%)

Information about state and federal laws and regulations (20%)

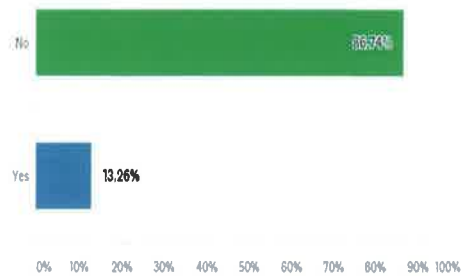


Do parents know who makes decisions that impact them?

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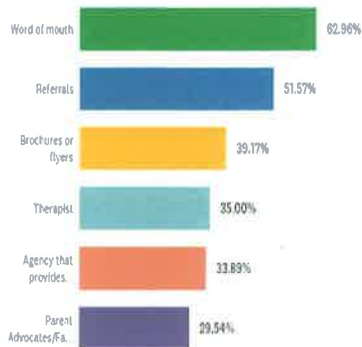


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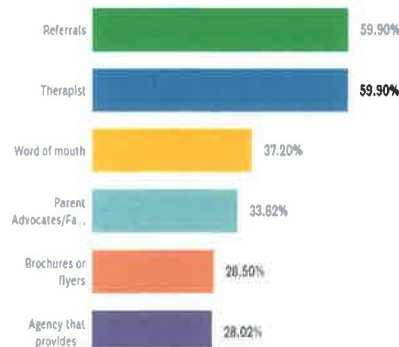


How do parents/caregivers find out about services and supports?

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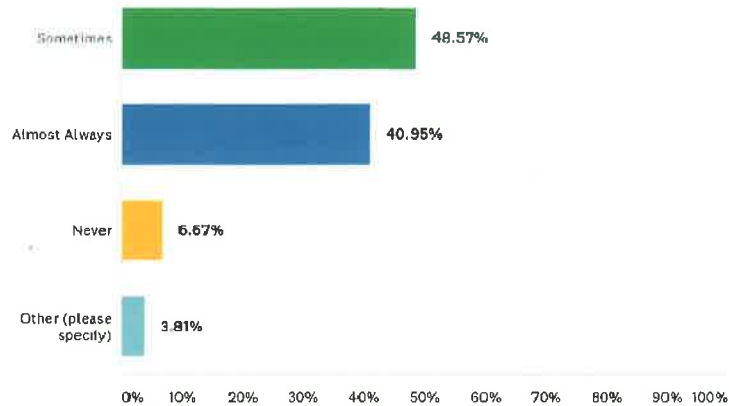
“We are struggling to keep it together”



What did our youth tell us?



Do they think their parent/caregiver understands them?



What do they wish their parents knew about their needs?

- Listening is important! I don't need solutions, just someone to say, 'wow, that sucks.'
- Sometimes I don't want to talk.
- More about needing to talk w/ confidentiality, i.e. not telling my dad.
- I think it's hard for parents to understand what happens at school - High school stress.
- Sometimes I need to be checked in on.
- That my mental health is more than a diagnosis.
- I wish my parent knew I was struggling with my mental health.



What do they wish their parents knew about their strengths?

- That I try my hardest
- I'm more resilient than I look
- That I can and do believe in myself
- I'm very responsible
- I am strong
- I am actually really creative and I wish I was encouraged to pursue that more



What are the top five things that their parent/caregiver can do to support them?



What supports do parents/caregivers need to support the youth?

- Education on my diagnosis
- Knowing when to connect me to professional help
- Connect with other adults with children my age
- Understanding my generation
- Understanding the stress I face at school
- Their own therapy



Questions and Wrap-up

Partner with us!

- Take our survey or send it out to your clients/community members
- Share your experience with mental health decision-makers
- Attend or outreach for our regional trainings and outreach events
- We want to know what's happening in YOUR community
- Like us on Facebook- <https://www.facebook.com/ParentsAndCaregiversForWellness/>
- Visit our website- <https://parentscaregivers4wellness.org/>



Thank you!

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Behavioral Health Advisory Board Site Visit Report

Date: 11/13/2018

Facility / Program: A New Start for Moms (ANSFM)

Location: 1911 Williams Dr Oxnard

Contact Person: Jonathan Eymann

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BHAB Review Team:

Jamie Banker and Patricia Mowlavi

FACILITY / PROGRAM DEMOGRAPHICS

1. Age Group Served: (Check all that apply)

Children (0 - 12) Adolescents (13 - 17) TAY (18 - 25) Adults (18 - 61) Older Adults (60 +)

2. Number of Clients Served:

Maximum possible: 105 (165 fl stf) Monthly Avg. 85 (110) and / or Daily Avg. _____

3. Services Provided: (i.e.: Counseling, Therapy, Medication management, Nursing, etc.)?

Group counseling and Individual sessions focusing on Substance Use Treatment and recovery; Individual Therapy and Psychiatric services for co-occurring mental health disorders ; TB, HIV and health screening; Parenting education; Trauma Informed care.

4. Miscellaneous Additional Services: (i.e.: transportation, follow-up care, community activities or support, etc.)?

Transportation; Child Care;

5. Number of on-site staff having direct client contact:

14 positions, (including embedded MH staff who are mental health division employees). Currently we have one on LOA and one vacant position.

6. What kind of training does your organization provide the staff, and how often?

Federal, State and County mandated trainings on policy and procedures, key concerns like confidentiality, 42CFR 2. Treatment issues such as suicidality, the opioid epidemic, trauma informed care, motivational interviewing, CBT, cultural competence, etc. Some classes target the entire staff and others are voluntary, or are assigned only to specific job classes as needed. Staff typically averages perhaps 4 hours a month of training outside of the clinic and 4 hours a month of in-clinic or on-line training.

7. Which professionals are involved directly with clients (i.e. Psychiatrist, Psychologist, MFT, ADT, LCSW, Nurse) and how often?

Psychiatrist on site one day per week, Psychologist 3 staff-days per week, MFT 2 full time , ADT 4 full time positions (one currently vacant, one on LOA), Community Service Workers 3 FT staff, Nurse once per month, HIV educator once per month.

8. Are peer support specialists/individuals in recovery utilized to support your clients? How many and how often? Are family members involved? How?

Not in the program itself. All clients are referred to social supports such as AA/NA. Some client's children are involved in the Mindful Parenting program one group session per week.

9. Describe Groups - education/support?

The groups all serve both functions, facilitating peer support while educating client in recovery, relapse prevention, parenting and, as needed, recovery from trauma, parenting, anger management and developing secure attachments.

10. Facility/Program Physical Layout (i.e. indoor rooms, outdoor areas, recreational areas)? (Attach floor plan if available)

Indoor rooms.

BHAB Reviewer Response

What do clients typically do during the day (i.e. work, attend programs)?

Note: Regarding abbreviation in #2. Number of Clients Served. 105 or (165 fully staffed).

Clients attend group sessions at A New Start for Moms (ANSFM) site. Sessions are offered in the morning and/or afternoon on Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. A Mindful Parenting group session is offered on Tuesdays. Treatment is offered by child developmental cohort.

Clients can take their own transportation to A New Start for Moms or they can arrange to be picked up. Three vehicles driven by Community Services Workers, leave to pick up clients throughout Ventura County at 7:30 and arrive at ANSFM before the group sessions start. In order to receive Medi-Cal reimbursement, clients must attend the entire 90 minute group session.

Morning sessions 9:00 - 10:30
Afternoon sessions 2:00 - 3:30

Group size is approximately 6 - 8 clients and can go to 12 maximum (per Medi-Cal group size limit). There is currently no wait list.

While the moms are in group session, the children are being watched by the Community Service Workers. After the group sessions, the drivers return clients to their homes.

Currently clients access services by going to an orientation and a formal assessment (American Society of Addiction Medicine) where the level of care is determined. If the level of care assessment meets state and federal requirements for a perinatal program, clients can access ANSFM. Individuals are referred, as the ASAM assessment indicates, to residential, intensive outpatient treatment or immediate hospitalization. The individual can refuse service or elect a lower level of care. ANSFM helps to coordinate and refer for Mental Health treatment, which is offered through VCBH and co-located at the same facility.

Supplemental services are offered on site and include: perinatal and parenting education, HIV/STD information and testing, nutritional counseling, physical health nurse for health screening and birth control, testing for Child and Family Services to help regain custody.

Clients typically seek services at ANSFM for around 6 months to a year. Clients who have not been seen get reminders at 20 days. If not seen after 30 days, the case is closed and the client would need to re-enter the program. There are no barriers to return to treatment.

Staff identified program needs ?

Funding and staffing are concerns. The Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Waiver, which goes into effect on 12/1/18 may help cover additional services. Current staff is filling gaps for unfilled positions and those on leave of absence.

Currently program is not at capacity. Clients are referred from child and family services, public health, alcohol and drug clinics, STAR program or clients can walk in.

ANSFM is not able to provide transportation for Simi Valley residents due to traffic congestion and logistics.

Larger meeting room is needed to comfortably accommodate 12 group member sessions.

Looking for non government funding source in order to continue to provide healthy snacks for the children.

Gifts for annual holiday event.

Overall Impression or Brief Summary (key points, including appearance of clients and facility)?

A New Start for Moms' goal is to remove barriers. A client that we spoke with had worked with many of the staff and 'loved the program'. She indicated that she learns something from each of the staff and was so enthusiastic that she recommends A New Start for Moms to others. The staff is friendly and busy. The psychiatrist was on site reviewing files, during our visit.

The facility is clean and welcoming. There is laundry on site to maintain cleanliness.

Regular case conference meetings are held and the treatment plans are reviewed by the treatment team.

Average time from orientation to assessment is around 7 - 10 days. The shift to Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System Waiver, which goes into effect on 12/1/18, is expected to reduce the turnaround time from initial assessment to treatment plan. The waiver will also provide increased funding. Under the current system if group sessions are less than 90 minutes, they are not reimbursed by Medi-Cal (e.g. late arrival of client or fire drill). The waiver will allow for billing by the minute rather than 90 minute block of service. The waiver will also allow payment for individual sessions, counseling, and case management.

The psychiatrist keeps mental health files separate and locked. ANSFM staff cannot access these records.

Success rates and effectiveness are informally demonstrated by clients continuation in treatment, drug testing (clean tests), exit interviews and feedback, client relapse rates.

Board Member Recommendations for Program Needs?

Support in marketing or messaging ANSFM is recommended to increase capacity and attract funding to continue the child snack program and gifts. ANSFM can provide services to general community at reasonable rates or with private insurance.

Providing access to administrative assistant staff or intern would be helpful to support audits and entering data into the system, especially while ANSFM is understaffed.

Support or collaboration to provide transportation to and from ANSFM for Simi Valley residents.

Ventura County Behavioral Health Department
 Board Letter Summary
 November-December 2018

Board Date	Contractor	Amount	Term	Description
11/6/2018	OTS Grant Application	\$ 250,000	10/1/18-9/30/19	This grant will focus on collaborative environmental prevention efforts to raise awareness for the dangers of driving under the influence.
11/6/2018	IDEA Engineering	\$ 65,000		Contract Increase of \$65,000 to include funding for new OTS grant marketing campaign services.
11/6/2018	US Dept of Justice Office of Justice Grant Agreement	\$ 935,401	10/1/18-9/30/21	Per the OJP approved grant application, VCBH will collaborate with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Ventura County Public Health Department, Ventura County Emergency Medical Services Agency, and HCA's Ambulatory Care Department to convene the Ventura County Opioid Abuse Suppression Taskforce (COAST) taskforce. The COAST taskforce will work to improve the quality, consistency, sharing and integration of local and state prescription drug monitoring program data to monitor community level conditions/outcomes and target/coordinate resources to increase impact in response to the opioid abuse epidemic.
11/6/2018	Evalcorp	\$ 50,210	7/1/18-6/30/19	Evalcorp provides prevention research, data management, and evaluation services. Contract increase of \$50,210 related to the COAST grant. VCBH is also revising the budget to reflect changes to the research associate and telephone perception survey line items. Additional funding was needed to facilitate the telephone perception survey workload, and savings were identified within the research associate line item to fund these increased costs.
11/6/2018	Airport Connection	\$ 196,000	7/1/18-6/30/19	Airport Connection, Inc. will transport clients from their residence to clinics for psychiatric services, group therapy and case manager appointment/meetings, and/or other group sessions.
11/6/2018	United Parents	\$ -	7/1/18-6/30/19	United Parents provides respite services (short-term, temporary relief/care) for parents and caregivers of children with serious emotional, behavioral, and mental health issues. Trained respite providers care for the children in or out of the home. Revisions to line items in operating budget, no contract increase. BOS approval necessary as the adjustments exceed 20% fluctuation between operating categories which is the VCBH threshold.
11/6/2018	Seneca	\$ -	7/1/18-6/30/19	Provider for the CSU & COMPASS preprogram. Revisions to line items in operating budget, no contract increase. BOS approval necessary as the adjustments exceed 20% fluctuation between operating categories which is the VCBH threshold.
12/4/2018	Alcohol and Drug Program Services: Dennis M. Giroux & Associates, Inc. (DMG), Khepera House (Khepera), HealthRight 360, Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc. (Tarzana), Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC (Aegis), and Western Pacific Med-Corp (Western Pacific) Agreements	Various	7/1/18-6/30/19	The proposed new agreements include: (1) the addition of DMG-ODS requirements, (2) updates to Exhibit A (Program Description) related to DMG-ODS terminology and (3) updates to Exhibit B (Payment Terms) related to treatment services based on ASAM levels of care.
12/4/2018	All Languages Interpreting & Translating, Inc. (ALLT)	\$ 670,000	1/1/19-6/30/20	ALLT provides interpretation and translation services for VCBH in clinics, meetings and community behavioral health forums.
12/4/2018	Casa Pacifica		7/1/18-6/30/19	Increase to STRTP of \$495k & ISFC for \$82k. STRTP increase due to AB1299 (presumptive transfer) and ISFC due to increased services provided.
12/4/2018	Department of Health Care Services Standard Agreement Amendment	\$ -		This item recommended approval of the DHCS Standard Agreement Amendment A01 for federal crisis counseling assistance and training program (CCP) services. There is no fiscal impact related to the proposed amendment.
12/4/2018	Maxim Healthcare	\$ 400,000	7/1/18-6/30/19	Maxim provides certified and/or licensed temporary staff to help fill vacant positions due to the difficulty in finding qualified and appropriately certified and/or licensed staff and are used to help backfill existing positions due to unexpected leaves of absence.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 23, 2019

TO: Behavioral Health Advisory Board

FROM: Contracts Administration

SUBJECT: Board of Supervisors Approved November and December Agreements

Executive Summary

Board of Supervisors Approved Agreements– November 6, 2018

1. Alcohol and Drug Prevention Services: California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant and Idea Engineering, Inc. Agreements.

This item recommended approval of the OTS Grant agreement for traffic safety services and Idea Engineering, Inc. agreement for marketing services. The Idea Engineering agreement is funded with Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant (SABG) and OTS grant funds.

OTS Grant Agreement

Drug impaired driving represents an increasing threat to public safety that continues to challenge law enforcement professionals, traffic safety officials and community leaders. The OTS supports local efforts to effectively plan and implement impaired driving prevention campaigns. These efforts are directed to the community at large, but also allow focus on select demographic groups that are likely to benefit from targeted messaging.

Since 2014, VCBH has used OTS grant funding to support a variety of targeted media campaigns and coordinated prevention efforts. The OTS grant process is annual and competitive. On September 25, 2018, the OTS awarded VCBH a grant of \$250,000. The grant term is from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019. VCBH is proposing to use OTS grant funding for the “Driving While Uncertain: Alcohol, Drugs, and the Law” campaign. This grant will focus on collaborative environmental prevention efforts to raise awareness for the dangers of driving under the influence. Recently many laws have changed; however, many people’s perception of impaired driving have not. This grant will aim to: (1) increase the public’s understanding of the effects of prescription and illicit drugs, cannabis, and alcohol in English and

Spanish outreach formats and (2) impact the entire population of Ventura County, including the highest risk population of young adult males.

Specifically, per the OTS approved grant application, VCBH will: 1) share drug-impaired driving collateral materials and campaign materials with traffic safety partners including law enforcement, medical professionals and collaborating agencies; 2) establish ongoing educational presentations regarding drug-impaired driving where campaign materials and strategies can be shared; 3) execute placement purchases for drug-impaired driving campaign spots and print ads in local media; 4) articulate a strategic marketing plan using various media channels, broadcast and online media; 5) educate on-site alcohol and cannabis retailers to help the retailers understand the impairing effects of marijuana and alcohol combinations and the consequences of impaired driving and DUI arrest.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the agreement for, an OTS grant in the amount of \$250,000 for ADP prevention services, effective October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019.

Idea Engineering, Inc. Third Amendment

Idea Engineering, Inc. provides communication planning and materials, graphic design services, and strategic messaging services to support various ADP Prevention program publications and strategic outreach efforts (e.g., drug abuse, alcohol abuse, and opioid prevention initiative). The third amendment to the contract will revise the contract to include funding for new OTS grant marketing campaign services. The marketing campaign will focus on marijuana and alcohol impaired driving, in English and Spanish. To fund these additional services, the maximum contract amount is being increased an additional \$65,000, for a maximum contract amount of \$304,000.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the Third Amendment to the Agreement for ADP prevention services with Idea Engineering, Inc., increasing the maximum contract from \$239,000 to \$304,000 (an increase of \$65,000), effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

2. Alcohol and Drug Prevention Services: U.S. Department of Justice Office of Justice Programs (OJP) Grant Agreement, OJP ADP Fixed-Term Position, and Evalcorp Third Amendment.

This item recommended approval of the OJP Grant agreement for Opioid Taskforce services, OJP ADP fixed-term position that is needed to support the OJP grant activities, and Evalcorp Third Amendment for research services. The OJP ADP fixed-term position is funded by the OJP grant. The Evalcorp agreement is funded with SABG and OJP grant funds.

OJP Grant Agreement and Fixed-Term Position

In May of 2018, the U.S. Department of Justice OJP released the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Site-based Program FY 2018 Competitive Grant Announcement to solicit applications for grant programs that aim to: (1) reduce opioid abuse, (2) reduce the number of overdose fatalities, (3) mitigate the impacts on crime victims, and (4) implement and enhance prescription drug monitoring programs to support clinical decision making and prevent the abuse and diversion of controlled substances.

In June 2018, VCBH submitted a grant application to the OJP for the Ventura County Opioid Abuse Suppression Taskforce (COAST) program. On September 28, 2018, the OJP awarded VCBH a grant of \$935,401. The grant term is from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2021. Per the OJP approved grant application, VCBH will collaborate with the Ventura County Sheriff's Office, Ventura County Public Health Department, Ventura County Emergency Medical Services Agency, and HCA's Ambulatory Care Department to convene the COAST taskforce. The COAST taskforce will work to improve the quality, consistency, sharing and integration of local and state prescription drug monitoring program data to monitor community level conditions/outcomes and target/coordinate resources to increase impact in response to the opioid abuse epidemic. Grant funds will also be used to complete, document, and disseminate an evaluation of state and local prescriber trends by scope of practice and to deploy the ESRI ArcGIS Opioid Epidemic Solution (a geographic information system that contains a collection of maps and apps used by public health and safety agencies to communicate the severity of the opioid epidemic and understand the effectiveness of response activities).

As part of the OJP COAST grant, VCBH is required to add a new fixed-term position to support the grant services that will be provided. For this reason, VCBH proposed adding one (1.0) new fixed-term Senior Program Administrator position, effective November 18, 2018 and expiring on September 30, 2021. The Senior Program Administrator position will be responsible for oversight and day-to-day supervision of the OJP COAST grant activities.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the HCA Director or designee to sign, the agreement for, an OJP grant for ADP prevention services, in the amount of \$935,401, effective October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2021. VCBH also recommended approval of a resolution establishing a 1.0 new fixed-term position in the VCBH ADP Budget Unit 3220-3223, for OJP ADP prevention services effective, November 18, 2018 and expiring on September 30, 2021.

EVALCORP Third Amendment

Evalcorp provides prevention research, data management, and evaluation services for the Place of Last Drink (POLD) survey among driving under the influence (DUI) arrestees, overdose prevention strategies, Straight Up Reality Party Prevention services, and other prevention

related services. EVALCORP is instrumental in assisting VCBH, and its funded prevention contractors, in developing appropriate process and outcome measures, tailored data collection protocols, and corresponding reports. The Evalcorp contract is being amended to revise the scope of work to include additional design, research, monitoring, and evaluation services related to the OJP COAST Taskforce grant. To fund these additional services, the maximum contract amount is being increased by an additional \$50,210, for a maximum contract amount of \$290,210. In addition to the budgetary changes related to the COAST grant, VCBH is also revising the budget to reflect changes to the research associate and telephone perception survey line items. Additional funding was needed to facilitate the telephone perception survey workload, and savings were identified within the research associate line item to fund these increased costs.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the Third Amendment to the Agreement for ADP Prevention research services with EVALCORP, increasing the maximum contract from \$240,000 to \$290,210, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

3. Mental Health Services: Airport Connection, Inc. Agreement.

This item recommended approval of the Airport Connection, Inc. agreement for client transportation services. This agreement is funded with Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) funds.

Airport Connection, Inc. has been contracted by VCBH to provide client transportation services for the past five years. During fiscal year 2017-18, Airport Connection, Inc. experienced some difficulties in meeting VCBH client transportation needs and was given a corrective action plan. These issues have since been satisfactorily resolved and service is once again meeting the service performance standards specified in the contract. Because of the satisfactory performance, VCBH is seeking to contract with Airport Connection, Inc. again for an additional one-year agreement and two additional one-year extensions. The maximum contract amount for the term of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019 will not exceed \$196,000.

Under the proposed agreement Airport Connection, Inc. will continue providing transportation services to VCBH clients. Specifically, Airport Connection, Inc. will transport clients from their residence to clinics for psychiatric services, group therapy and case manager appointment/meetings, and/or other group sessions. These services are critical to ensuring service access by removing transportation barriers to ensure attendance, and participation that will assist VCBH clients in their recovery and treatment, as well as providing additional support by meeting the needs of individuals with mental illness.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the agreement with Airport Connection, Inc. for client transportation services, in the amount of \$196,000, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

4. Mental Health Services: United Parents, Inc. (United Parents) Third Amendment, Seneca Family of Agencies (Seneca) Children's Stabilization Unit (CSU) Sixth Amendment, and Seneca Comprehensive Assessment and Stabilization Services (COMPASS) Sixth Amendment.

This item recommended approval of the United Parents Third Amendment to adjust the operating budget, Seneca CSU Sixth Amendment to adjust the operating budget, and Seneca COMPASS Sixth Amendment to adjust the operating budget. The United Parents agreement is funded with Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) grant funds. The Seneca agreements are funded with Short Doyle Medi-Cal Federal Financial Participation (SD/MC FFP), Realignment, State General Fund (SGF), and MHSa funds.

United Parents Third Amendment

United Parents provides respite services (short-term, temporary relief/care) for parents and caregivers of children with serious emotional, behavioral, and mental health issues. Trained respite providers care for the children in or out of the home. Program services are designed to minimize stressors on caregivers and families which could lead to destabilization, crisis, and the potential for children to be placed out of the home. In FY 2017-18, United Parents served 72 children and 61 families.

With delegated authority, VCBH extended the term of the United Parents' agreement from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. United Parents has since requested revisions to its operating budget to more accurately reflect program costs. The revisions do not exceed the contract maximum, but exceed the 20% fluctuation threshold within individual line items and categories that is specified in the contract Exhibit B payment terms.

The Third Amendment to the respite services agreement with United Parents updates the operating budget in Exhibit "B" of the agreement and adds clarity to Note #3 by referring to the operating budget as the controlling budget in the event of any disputes.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the proposed Third Amendment to the agreement for respite services with United Parents, in the amount of \$125,732, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Seneca CSU and COMPASS Sixth Amendments

VCBH contracts with Seneca through two agreements for the operation of the CSU and COMPASS programs. These programs were added in 2016 as a continuum of children's mental health crisis services in Ventura County.

The CSU is the front-end of the continuum of care, providing a multi-disciplinary risk assessment to youth experiencing a mental health crisis and interventions to promote stabilization, family involvement, and safety planning to access the least restrictive, most appropriate level of care.

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The CSU provides mental health interventions that are necessary to divert minors from hospitalization and safely discharge the minors to community services. In FY 2017-18, the CSU admitted a total of 529 youth (401 unduplicated). Of those, 58% avoided hospitalization.

The COMPASS program is a short-term residential therapeutic program (STRTP), designed to provide voluntary residential treatment for minors who are not able to be stabilized in less than 24 hours but who do not meet criteria required under Welfare and Institutions Code section 5585.50 for psychiatric hospitalization. In FY 2017-18, COMPASS admitted a total of 39 youth (38 unduplicated). Of those, 34 youth were discharged to their caregivers back to the community.

On September 19, 2017, the Board of Supervisors approved amendments to extend the terms of the agreements through June 30, 2018 and adjust the operating budgets. With delegated authority, VCBH extended the terms of each agreement from July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. Seneca has since requested revisions to its operating budgets to more accurately reflect program costs. The revisions do not exceed the contract maximums, but exceed the 10% fluctuation in individual line items and categories, as specified in the contract Exhibit "B" payment terms.

The proposed amendments to the CSU and COMPASS agreements with Seneca, will adjust the operating budgets, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. VCBH is also updating Budget Note #2 of Exhibit "B" of the agreement to reflect an up to 20% fluctuation between budget categories (instead of the current 10% for individual line items), as this is the standard percentage in all VCBH agreements.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the Sixth Amendment to the agreement for CSU services with Seneca in the amount of \$3,289,675, and the Sixth Amendment to the agreement for COMPASS services with Seneca in the amount of \$1,534,016, with an effective date for each of July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

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- 1. Alcohol and Drug Program Services: Dennis M. Giroux & Associates, Inc. (DMG), Khepera House (Khepera), HealthRight 360, Tarzana Treatment Centers, Inc. (Tarzana), Aegis Treatment Centers, LLC (Aegis), and Western Pacific Med-Corp (Western Pacific) Agreements**

This item recommended approval of the Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System (DMC-ODS) Substance Use Disorder (SUD) Services agreements with DMG, Khepera, HealthRight 360, and Tarzana. This item also recommended approval of the DMC-ODS SUD services agreements for Narcotic Treatment Program (NTP) services with Aegis and Western Pacific. These various agreements are funded with DMC-

ODS Federal Financial Participation (FFP), State General Fund, Realignment, AB 109, and SABG funds.

Over the past several months, VCBH has been planning for the implementation of a new system of health care service delivery for Medi-Cal beneficiaries with a SUD. The new service delivery, modeled after the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASAM) criteria for SUD treatment services, is now referred to as the DMC-ODS. With the new service delivery model, more beneficiaries can receive SUD services.

DMG, Khepera, HealthRight 360, and Tarzana Agreements

The proposed new agreements with DMG, Khepera, HealthRIGHT 360 and Tarzana include: (1) the addition of DMC-ODS requirements, (2) updates to Exhibit A (Program Description) related to DMC-ODS terminology and (3) updates to Exhibit B (Payment Terms) related to treatment services based on ASAM levels of care. The contract maximums are based on the projected costs and units of services that the provider estimates to operate the program from December 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the agreements with DMG in the amount of \$322,013, Khepera in the amount of \$652,086, HealthRIGHT 360 in the amount of \$1,760,476 and Tarzana in the amount of \$533,675, for the provision of DMC-ODS SUD services, effective December 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

Aegis and Western Pacific Agreements

VCBH contracts with Aegis and Western Pacific to provide NTP services to Medi-Cal beneficiaries. New agreements have been drafted as with the new service delivery model, these providers will be required to comply with DMC-ODS requirements in order to continue providing those services.

The proposed agreements with Aegis and Western Pacific include: (1) the addition of contract language related to DMC-ODS requirements, (2) updates to Exhibit A (Program Description) to include the addition of medications, (3) updates to Exhibit B (Payment Terms) rates and terms, including the deletion of the 5% withholding in Western Pacific's agreement. The contract maximum in the proposed agreement with Western Pacific is the pro rata equivalent of the contract maximum in the existing agreement. The contract maximum in the proposed agreement with Aegis is an increase to the existing agreement, as Aegis anticipates that the number of clients requiring services will continue to increase.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the agreements with Aegis in the amount of \$3,900,000 and Western Pacific in the amount of \$1,166,667 for the provision of NTP services, effective December 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

2. Mental Health Services: All Languages Interpreting & Translating, Inc. (ALIT) Agreements.

This item recommended approval of the ALIT agreement for interpreting and translating services. This agreement is funded with MHSA and Mental Health 2011 Realignment funds.

Through an existing County-wide master agreement, ALIT provides interpretation and translation services for VCBH in clinics, meetings and community behavioral health forums. The use of interpreter services in clinics is critical to successful client outcomes because it helps to ensure that clients understand their treatment plan and how to safely administer medication. The use of interpreter services for meeting and community forums is critical for ensuring that the department is able to appropriately communicate to the public about the services that are available through VCBH and solicit public feedback on department initiatives.

In fiscal year (FY) 2017-18, ALIT, Inc. provided 5,835 billable hours of interpretation services. In the first quarter of FY 2018-19, ALIT Inc. provided 1,460 billable hours of interpretation services. VCBH projects that by the end of this agreement (2020), ALIT, Inc., will provide 8,756 billable hours of interpretation services and approximately \$3,500 in document translation services.

Effective January 1, 2019, VCBH will no longer contract with ALIT, Inc. through the County-wide master agreement that is managed through General Services Agency Procurement Services. Instead, VCBH is proposing to enter into a new department specific agreement with ALIT, Inc. The proposed agreement will be specific to the needs of VCBH clients and be better aligned to the Department of Health Care Services cultural and linguistic requirements. The service rates are comparable to rates paid by other counties. VCBH is anticipating some cost savings through improved scheduling and more clearly defining the service requirements/terms. Furthermore, the terms of the agreement will primarily help to ensure compliance with DHCS requirements.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the agreement for interpreting and translating services with ALIT, in the amount of \$670,000, effective January 1, 2019 through June 30, 2020.

3. Mental Health Services: Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families (Casa Pacifica) Amendments.

This item recommended approval of the Casa Pacifica Sixth Amendment for Early and Periodic, Screening, Diagnostic and Treatment (EPSDT) Residential/Campus Treatment Services, Casa Pacifica Fourth Amendment for EPSDT Transitional Youth services (TYS), Casa Pacifica Fourth Amendment for EPSDT Transitional Youth Services Non-Minor Dependents (TYS NMD), and Casa Pacifica Fourth Amendment for EPSDT Intensive Services Foster Care (ISFC) services. These agreements are funded with SD/MC FFP and Vehicle License Fee Realignment funds.

VCBH contracts with Casa Pacifica to provide EPSDT specialty mental health services in a variety of programs to children and families/caregivers who are Medi-Cal beneficiaries. Casa Pacifica provides a stabilizing force in meeting the needs of the County's most vulnerable children and works closely with VCBH to fulfill essential obligations providing care and treatment to children with complex emotional and behavioral needs. To be eligible for specialty mental health services, the beneficiary must meet the criteria for Medical Necessity as set out in California Code of Regulations, Title 9, sections 1830.205 and 1830.210. Specialty mental health services provided may include: assessment; individual, group and family therapy, collateral services, and rehabilitation; crisis intervention; medication management, and case management.

VCBH extended the term of the Casa Pacifica agreements beginning July 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018, to allow for additional time to negotiate the terms and conditions of the agreements and present them to the Board of Supervisors. Over the past few years, many changes have been implemented to children's mental health services in the State related to Continuum of Care Reform and the passage of AB 1299 (which altered delivery of specialty mental health services to foster children). On July 24, 2017, Casa Pacifica received its license to operate as a STRTP. With this license, the Residential Treatment Center (RTC) and Shelter/Assessment, Stabilization, and Permanency (ASAP) programs are no longer recognized as separate programs. On June 19, 2018, the Board of Supervisors approved the cost reallocation from RTC and Shelter/ASAP to the STRTP. Under AB 1299 (presumptive transfer), a foster child that is placed in a county other than the county of original jurisdiction after December 31, 2017, shall have jurisdiction transferred to the county of residence. As a result, VCBH is experiencing an increase in costs as these changes continue to impact various programs, including STRTP and ISFC. VCBH, along with other county agencies, is continuing ongoing discussions with Casa Pacifica to ensure delivery of service and that program costs are aligned with State and County requirements.

Casa Pacifica provided services to the following unduplicated client counts in FY 2017-18:

Program	FY 2017-18 Unduplicated Client Count
RTC/Shelter (STRTP)	70
NPS	20
TBS	169
PCIT	51
TYS	13
TYS NMD	47
ISFC	5

The amendments to the agreements with Casa Pacifica: (1) extend the terms through June 30, 2019, (2) increase the STRTP program maximum amount by \$495,000 from prior fiscal year and ISFC program maximum amount by \$82,083 from prior fiscal year, and (3) modify payment term language related to unit rates, program costs, cost settlement and the inclusion of quarterly cost settlements.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the proposed amendments to the agreements for EPSDT specialty mental health services (Residential/Campus Treatment, TYS, and TYS NMD) with Casa Pacifica, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. VCBH also recommended approval of, and authorization for the Purchasing Agent or designee to sign, the amendment to the agreement for EPSDT specialty mental health ISFC services with Casa Pacifica, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.

**4. Mental Health Services: Department of Health Care Services (DHCS)
Standard Agreement Amendment A01.**

This item recommended approval of the DHCS Standard Agreement Amendment A01 for federal crisis counseling assistance and training program (CCP) services. There is no fiscal impact related to the proposed amendment.

Pursuant to the Stafford Act, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) provides assistance to states that suffer natural disasters. Section 416 of that Act authorizes FEMA to fund behavioral health services and training following a natural disaster. Pursuant to that section of the Act, FEMA funds crisis counseling and related services through the Federal CCP for a limited period of time. The mission of CCP is to assist individuals and communities to recover from the effects of natural and man-made disasters by providing community-based outreach and psycho-education services. Services are short-term interventions including: assisting disaster survivors in understanding their current situation and reactions, mitigating stress, assisting survivors in reviewing their disaster recovery options, promoting the use and development of coping strategies, providing emotional support, and encouraging linkages with other individuals and agencies that may help survivors recover to pre-disaster functioning.

In response to the Thomas Fire, on July 31, 2018 the Board of Supervisors approved and authorized the VCBH Director or designee to sign the Standard Agreement No. 17-94706 with DHCS for CCP services, in the amount of \$1,034,782, effective January 15, 2018 through March 31, 2019. On October 29, 2018, VCBH received notification from DHCS that modifications have been made to the agreement. VCBH is currently working with DHCS regarding a new agreement in response to the Woolsey and Hill fires that have recently impacted our county.

The Agreement provides VCBH with CCP funding to provide crisis counseling and related services. In early March of 2018, VCBH implemented the California HOPE of Ventura County program. The program is comprised of a clinical team that has been FEMA trained to provide free and confidential community-based counseling services to Thomas Fire survivors. During the past eight months (March 2018 through November 2018), the team has made over 5,295 in-person brief supportive counseling contacts, 705 telephone contacts by crisis counselor, and 626 email contacts.

The Amendment A01 to the DHCS Standard Agreement: (1) extends the contract term by one month, through April 30, 2019, (2) replaces Exhibit D(C) with Exhibit D(F) due to the addition of federal funding and continues performance of the same Scope of Work, (3) amends provision 1 (Invoicing and Payment) of Exhibit B - Budget Detail and Payment Provisions to include

updates related to the preparation and submission of invoices, and (4) adds contract language in Exhibit E related to the dispute resolution process.

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the Standard Agreement No. 17-94706 Amendment A01 with DHCS, in the amount of \$1,034,782, effective January 15, 2018 through April 30, 2019.

5. Mental Health and Alcohol and Drug Program Services: Maxim Healthcare Services, Inc. (Maxim) Fourth Amendment.

This item recommended approval of the Fourth Amendment to the Agreement with Maxim for medical personnel staffing and recruiting services to revise the rate schedule and increase the maximum amount of the agreement. This agreement is funded with DMC-ODS FFP, Realignment, State General Fund, SABG, SD/MC FFP, and 2011 Realignment funds.

Maxim provides certified and/or licensed temporary staff to help fill vacant positions due to the difficulty in finding qualified and appropriately certified and/or licensed staff and are used to help backfill existing positions due to unexpected leaves of absence. VCBH is taking appropriate steps to expedite its recruitments for qualified and appropriately certified and/or licensed staff, however, until staff can be hired, VCBH is in need of temporary staff from Maxim to maintain services for the VCBH clients. The current vacancy rate for VCBH is between 9% and 17%.

The Fourth Amendment to the Agreement will add two new positions and rates for an Access Line Student/Mental Health Associate (MHA) Intern and Pharmacist position. It also adjusts existing rates for several positions and increases the maximum agreement amount by \$400,000. The table below summarizes the rate changes for the Access Line Student/MHA Intern, Pharmacist, Registered Nurse, Drug Alcohol Counselor, Alcohol Drug Treatment Specialist, and Substance Use Disorder Counselor positions. The changes to the rates will allow Maxim to provide quality staff to VCBH and more accurately reflects the rates in Ventura County. In addition, the Registered Nurse rate has not increased since FY 2014-15. The increase to the agreement maximum will allow VCBH to temporarily fill an open pharmacist position, due to retirement, and provide staff coverage for the 24/7 access line that is funded by the DMC-ODS, scheduled to open December 1, 2018. The 24/7 access line via a toll-free telephone number, provides those seeking access to substance use treatment services, with general information on hours and location of services, preliminary screening to determine program eligibility and referral and linkage to appropriate services within the DMC-ODS. The access line is accessible in non-English languages and is Americans with Disabilities Act compliant. With only a few months to get the access line operational, Maxim will be used to provide temporary staff to determine the level of personnel needed to meet access line volume.

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Title	Current Rate	Proposed Rate
Access Line Student/MHA Intern	N/A	\$28
Pharmacist	N/A	\$85
Registered Nurse (RN)	\$56	\$66
Drug Alcohol Counselor(DAC)	\$28	\$33
Alcohol Drug Treatment Specialist(ADTS)	\$28	\$33
Substance Use Disorder Counselor(SUD)	\$28	\$33

VCBH recommended approval of, and authorization for the VCBH Director or designee to sign, the Fourth Amendment to the Agreement with Maxim for medical personnel staffing and recruiting services, revising the rate schedule and increasing the agreement maximum from \$1,346,765 to \$1,746,765, effective July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019.