

VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD  
**TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH (TAY) COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES▪Thursday, March 27, 2014**

<p><b>Present</b>          McKian Nielsen, BHAB TAY Committee Chair          Josh Lepore, Casa Pacifica          Andrew Shlapak, CFS          Patti Yabu, Interface          Karen Mallory, PDAP          Brenda Ramirez, Probation          Jen Gomez, TAY Tunnel          Anthony Marron, TAY Tunnel          Denisse Quintero, TAY Tunnel          Melissa M , TAY Tunnel          Keion Edison, TAY Tunnel</p>	<p><b>VCBH Managers/Staff Present</b>          Meredyth Leafman, Transitions Manager          Edith Pham, Recording Secretary</p> <p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b>  <b>Thursday, April 24, 2014, 10:30a.m.– 12:00pm</b>          Ventura County Behavioral Health          1911 Williams Dr., Suite 200, Oxnard CA 93036</p>
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Note: The committee has not yet approved these minutes. There may be additions/deletions or corrections before the minutes are accepted in final form.

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
I.	<b>Call to Order</b> The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:35.		
II.	<b>Approval of the Agenda</b> The Chair asked the committee to review and approve today's agenda.	The agenda was approved as written. <b>M/S/C</b>	
III.	<b>Approval of the Minutes</b> The Chair asked the committee to review and approve the minutes of the February meeting.	The minutes were approved as written. <b>M/S/C</b>	
IV.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> The Chair welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.		
V.	<b>Chair Announcements</b> NAMI Walk is on Saturday, May 3 <sup>rd</sup> . This is an important and fun event. The Chair encouraged all to participate and form their own team or join a team.		
VI.	<b>Public Comments</b> None.		
VII.	<b>Old Business – McKian Nielsen</b> A. Letter to the Community The BHAB TAY letter to the community was distributed. It had been approved at the February meeting. However, a typo was noted in the first paragraph; the secretary will change Transitional Aged to Transitional Age and will distribute the updated letter at the next meeting.	Update letter	E. Pham
VIII.	<b>New Business</b> A. TAY Tunnel –Anthony Marron Anthony Marron played a short movie in which several staff and members of the TAY Tunnel gave examples of the life-changing benefits of the program. The center helps youth with kitchen services, shower, laundry, employment and housing. Classes on substance abuse awareness are offered. The services are free. Members must be at least 18		

	<p>years old.  The center would like to expand into the East county but currently there is no funding for this.  Several members of the TAY Tunnel attended the presentation; one gave a testimonial on her positive experience with the TAY Tunnel.</p>		
<b>IX.</b>	<p><b>VCBH Transitions Update – Meredyth Leafman</b>  A. Transitions is providing 21 TAY groups countywide.  B. Transitions is continuing to help TAY sign up for insurance through ACA (Affordable Care Act) or Medi-Cal.  C. A nurse was hired for Transitions and has started her duties at the Oxnard Transitions office.</p>		
<b>X.</b>	<p><b>VCBH Alcohol &amp; Drug Program Update – Dr. Linda Gertson</b>  Dr. Gertson did not attend the meeting.</p>		
<b>IX.</b>	<p><b>VCBH Contracted Providers Update</b>  A. Josh Lepore stated that Casa Pacifica is building a mentoring program to match mentors in the community with current or former foster youth.</p>		
<b>XII.</b>	<p><b>Committee Members’ Comments/Activities</b>  N/A.</p>		
<b>XIII.</b>	<p><b>Items for Next Meeting Agenda</b>  Josh Lepore will present on the Casa Pacifica mentoring program and other services for TAY.  Meredyth Leafman will present on Seeking Safety.  Possible future presentation: PDAP.</p>	Present at the next meeting	J. Lepore, M. Leafman
<b>XII.</b>	<p><b>Adjourn</b>  The meeting adjourned at 11:30.</p>		