

VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD  
**TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH (TAY) COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES ■ Thursday, February 25, 2016**

<p><b><u>Present</u></b>          McKian Nielsen, Chair          Sharon Espinosa, Dept. of Rehab          Kim Bierwolf, CFS          Brenda Ramirez, Probation          Benjamin Valdes, TAY Tunnel          Josh Tirado, Telecare          Jerry Weaver, Client Network</p>	<p><b><u>VCBH Staff Present</u></b>          Irma Victorino, Management Assistant / Recording Secretary</p> <p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b>  <b>Thursday, March 24, 2016, 10:30 a.m. – 12:00 pm</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 am.		
II.	<b>Approval of the Agenda</b> 1. The Chair asked the committee for any discussion or changes to the agenda. 2. A motion was made and seconded to approve the agenda as presented.	The agenda was approved as written. <b>M/S/C</b>	
III.	<b>Approval of the Minutes</b> 1. The Chair asked the committee to review and approve the minutes of the October 22, 2015 meeting. 2. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as written.	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 Announcement</b> 1. NAMI Walk is on Saturday. April 30, 2015 at Ventura Beach Promenade. The Chair encouraged participation. Register to walk at <a href="http://www.namiwalks.org/Venturacounty">www.namiwalks.org/Venturacounty</a> or call (805) 641-2426.		
VI.	<b>Public Comments</b> None		
VII.	<b>A. Presentation – Time Certain: 10:45 am</b> <b>David Deutsch, Executive Director, Ventura County National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI)</b> 1. Mr. Deutsch made a brief overview on the nature and background of Ventura County NAMI, its mission statement and the different programs and services they offer. 2. Mr. Deutsch provided flyer about the NAMI Walk and materials on list of available program offerings. For more information on the different classes, visit <a href="http://www.NAMI.org">www.NAMI.org</a> . 3. Mr. Deutsch mentioned that overall statistics show that 1 in 4 people live with mental illness and 1 in 17 living are living with serious mental illness. 4. As part of their education platform, Mr. Deutsch briefly discussed each programs and services, including –	Flyers were provided as handout	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Family-to-Family Program</li> <li>b. Provider Education Program</li> <li>c. Monthly Expert Speakers Meetings</li> <li>d. Parents &amp; Teachers as Allies</li> <li>e. In Our Own Voice</li> <li>f. Ending the Silence</li> <li>g. Speakers Bureau</li> <li>h. Friends in the Lobby</li> </ul> <p>5. Mr. Deutsch also discussed their different advocacies. NAMI participates in Behavioral Health Board meetings and Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) workgroups. They have maintained close coordination with community partners. A list of community partners was provided.</p> <p>6. NAMI contact information: (800) 641-2426, PO Box 1613, Camarillo, CA 93011; <a href="http://www.namiventura.org">www.namiventura.org</a> or <a href="mailto:www.info@namiventura.org">www.info@namiventura.org</a>; cellphone (805) 890-6738.</p>		
VIII.	<p><b>VCBH Transitions Update</b> None</p>		
IX.	<p><b>VCBH Alcohol &amp; Drug Update</b> None</p>		
X.	<p><b>Providers' Update</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>TAY Tunnel, Benjamin Valdes</b> – TAY Tunnel is currently conducting a curriculum program for TAY members focused on job-readiness helping members prepare Resume or prepare them for employment. For more information contact 240-2538.</li> <li>2. <b>Probation, Brenda Ramirez</b> – Ms. Ramirez oversee clients who are in Mental Health Court program, half of which are TAY. She meets with them weekly.</li> <li>3. <b>Telecare, Josh Tirado</b> – they have expanded to Simi Valley; contact number 642-4733;</li> <li>4. <b>Children Family Services, Kim Bierwolf</b> – the Youth Service Division handles transitional aged youth from 14 -21; many are in group homes.</li> <li>5. <b>Dept. of Rehab, Sharon Espinosa</b> – Employment coordinators are available to help youth find a job and create Resume. Diana Cruz from Telecare just joined them; Hope4Kids Festival and Run is a fund raising campaign for foster youth in Ventura County sponsored by RaisingHOPE. The event is on April 23, 2016. Visit <a href="http://raisinghope.org">raisinghope.org</a> for more details.</li> </ol>		
X.	<p><b>Adjourn</b> The meeting adjourned at 11:25 am</p>		