

VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD  
**TRANSITIONAL AGE YOUTH (TAY) COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES ■ Thursday, June 23, 2016**

<p><b><u>Present</u></b>          McKian Nielsen, Chair          Ron Nelson, BHAB          Lital Shavarts, Aegis Treatment Center          Katie Pfeiffer, Aegis Treatment Center          Josh Lepore, Casa Pacifica          David Vahidi, CFS          Kim Bierwolf, CFS          Rene Vasquez, Interface          Chris Novak, NAMI          Ben Valdez, TAY Tunnel          Javier Bautista, TAY Tunnel</p>	<p><b><u>VCBH Staff Present</u></b>          Sevet Johnson, TAY Region Manager          Pam Roach, Transformational Liaison          Irma Victorino, Management Assistant / Recording Secretary</p> <p><b>Guests (conference call)</b>          Alison Phongsavath, TAY Division, Eureka, CA          Dana Taylor, TAY Division, Eureka, CA</p> <p><b>NEXT MEETING:</b>  <b>Thursday, July 28, 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.

I.	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS /ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
II.	<b>Call to Order</b> The Chair called the meeting to order at 10:35 am.		
III.	<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>	
IV.	<b>Approval of the Minutes</b> 1. The Chair asked the committee to review and approve the minutes of the April 28, 2016 meeting. 2. A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes as corrected.	The minutes were approved as written. <b>M/S/C</b>	
V.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> The Chair welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.		
VI.	<b>Chair Announcement</b> None		
VII.	<b>Public Comments</b> None		
VIII.	1. Chair Nielsen reiterated that various trainings on the TIP Model had already been conducted in many counties including Los Angeles, Santa Barbara, San Diego, Kern and other countries such as HongKong and Canada. He made reference to the past presentation of Mr. James Solomita, Managing Director of the STARS Training Academy, 2. Chair Nielsen arranged a phone conference with the Transition Age Youth Division of Eureka, California. Joining the phone conference were Alison Phongsavath, Child Welfare Supervisor and Dana Taylor, Supervising Mental Health Clinician. Both are co-supervisors of the TAY division.		

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Ms. Phongsavath noted that their staff have been trained in the Transition to Independence Process (TIP). She explained that the overall mission of their TIP training is to assist the TAY population in making successful transition into adulthood so they can achieve personal goals in the areas of employment, education, living situation, personal adjustment, and community life functioning.</li> <li>4. Ms. Taylor talked about how impairments occur in each domain. She briefly elaborated each domain and expressed that they have had positive results.</li> <li>5. One of the major concerns in conducting the TIP model training is source of funding. In the case of Eureka, Ms. Taylor noted that the innovation funds is mainly the source of funding support.</li> <li>6. On the matter of who will be trained, Ms. Phongsavath mentioned that everyone in their TAY division that are engaging with the TAY population were trained. Sevet Johnson, TAY Region Manager, mentioned that there are 17 positions in the TAY region. Overall, there are about 75 TAY staff across the agencies that may need to undergo the training.</li> <li>7. Cmdr. Nelson suggested to further breakdown the components by identifying funding, costs, implementation, etc. and get more data to understand how it will work at Ventura County.</li> <li>8. In July, Chair Nielsen will present to the BHAB to report and talk about the TIP model.</li> <li>9. After thorough discussion, Chair Nielsen noted that based on the Committee's input on this subject, he will provide BHAB a preview of the TIP model. He will add to his report that there is ongoing discussion on this subject and that the Committee is still researching and examining this model.</li> </ol>		
IX.	<p><b>VCBH TAY Update – Sevet Johnson, Region Manager, TAY</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Recently hired a new Psychologist, Dr. Katrina Crenshaw-Upah for Oxnard and Conejo TAY clinics</li> <li>2. Today is TAY Recognition Day</li> <li>3. Meredyth Leafman, former TAY Region Manager, retired last month.</li> </ol>		
X.	<p><b>VCBH Alcohol &amp; Drug Update – None</b></p>		
XI.	<p><b>Providers' Update</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Pacific Clinic/TAY Tunnel, Ben Valdez, Javier Bautista</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Recently hired a new staff to handle TAY Conference for individuals transitioning to adulthood;</li> <li>b. Career curriculum for young individuals from 18-25 is ongoing to help them in employment, resume preparation, etc.</li> <li>c. Pacific Clinic/TAY Tunnel is open for tours.</li> <li>d. They are currently collaborating with VCBH TAY in preparing for the Dodger's Game on July 27.</li> </ol> </li> <li>2. <b>Child Family Services, Kim Bierwolf</b> – Ms. Bierwolf is leaving CFS. David Vahidi will attend future meetings of the BHAB TAY Committee.</li> <li>3. <b>NAMI, Chris Novak</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. Recently received new grant to fund three peer-to-peer classes. Out of the two classes, there were three graduates; second class graduation was last week.</li> <li>b. NAMI continues to conduct its regular peer-to-peer program, a 10-week class for two and a half hours per week.</li> </ol> </li> </ol>		

	<p>c. NAMI general meeting next week is on Tuesday, July 12 will present a special showing of a documentary entitled “Code” developed by NAMI Tennessee. The movie was prepared by director and producer Dixie Gamble who will lead a discussion after the showing. The film will feature interviews with correctional officers and inmates sharing their stories of living with mental illness in prison. Flyer was distributed for information.</p> <p>d. Other family classes starts in August.</p> <p>4. <b>Casa Pacifica, Josh Lepore</b></p> <p>a. Met with the Youth Services Division of Child Welfare last week to start a new group. This is a pilot group which aims to address action plans on how to address barriers.</p> <p>b. Casa Pacifica is hiring a new clinician; Daniel Marquez is leaving soon.</p>		
<p><b>XII.</b></p>	<p><b>Adjourn</b> The meeting adjourned at 12:00 pm.</p>		