

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD  
**YOUTH & FAMILY COMMITTEE**  
**MINUTES ■ Wednesday, March 11, 2020**

<p><b><u>Members Present</u></b>  Denise Nielsen, Committee Chair  Gina Petrus, BHAB  Martie Miles, Aspiranet  Ken McDermott, Children and Family Services  Heather Davidson, First 5 Ventura County  Carole Shelton, Rainbow Connection  Yanka Ricklefts, SELPA  Lori Litel, United Parents  Dr. Danielle Shaw</p> <p><b><u>Others Present</u></b>  Michael Rodriguez, BHAB  Melissa Hannah, United Parents  Mark Stadler, Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)  Rosa Lopez, Probation  Danny Bakst, Gold Coast Health Plan  Savannah Eden, Kids &amp; Families Together</p>	<p><b><u>Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Managers/Staff Present</u></b>  Dina Olivas, Youth &amp; Family Division Sr. Manager  Hilary Carson, MHSA Program Administrator - Innovations  Laura Nagle, Juvenile Facilities  Gabriela Aguila, Child Welfare Subsystem Manager  Michael White, Safety &amp; Disaster Manager  Edith Pham, BHAB Assistant</p> <p><b>NEXT MEETING: August 12, 2020</b></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> Chair Nielsen called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.		
II.	<b>Approval of the Agenda</b> Ms. Nielsen asked the Committee to review and approve today’s agenda. Carole Shelton moved to approve, Lori Litel seconded. The motion carried unanimously.	The agenda was approved as written. <b>M/S/C</b>	
III.	<b>Approval of the February 12, 2020 Minutes</b> Ms. Nielsen asked the committee to review and approve the minutes of the February 12, 2020 meeting. Ms. Shelton moved to approve, Martie Miles seconded. The motion carried unanimously.	The minutes were approved as written. <b>M/S/C</b>	
IV.	<b>Welcome and Introductions</b> Ms. Nielsen welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.		
V.	<b>Chair Announcements</b> None.		
VI.	<b>Public Comments</b> Carole Shelton made a public comment as a parent. She shared information about her loved ones. She asked that a discussion take place regarding people with co-occurring mental health and intellectual or developmental disability (IDD) diagnoses and how VCBH supports these people and their families.		
VII.	<b>Presentation: Continuum of Care Reform (CCR) Update – Gabriela Aguila and Laura Nagel</b> All children entering the foster care system are assessed for mental health needs. The Human Services Agency (HSA) and VCBH try to reduce the number of removal of children from their families. A specialized team provides services to children in dependency. There are three Short-Term Residential Treatment Programs (STRTP), including Casa Pacifica (average 27 children). Some small group homes are struggling to convert. 45% of children who are placed in Ventura County come from another county.  VCBH has many partnerships with Probation. On average, about 70 youth are housed at the Juvenile Facilities (JF), which is less than in the past thanks to collaboration between agencies. Youth who enter the JF can be assessed by one of five VCBH clinicians within 24 hours of		

	<p>admission, but the youth can refuse this service. They are referred to treatment when they leave the facility. About 20% to 30% of youth at the JF take psychotropic medications and are active in their treatment. Insights is a program for youth on formal probation and with a mental health or co-occurring diagnosis; upon successful completion of the program, their records are sealed.</p> <p>Gina Petrus thanked Probation and VCBH for their support of youth at the JF.</p>		
<b>VIII.</b>	<p><b>Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Youth &amp; Family Division Updates</b></p> <p>A. Youth &amp; Family Division – Dina Olivas, Division Chief Dina Olivas did not give an update. She introduced Michael White, Safety &amp; Disaster Manager, who provided the following information as related to the COVID-19 emergency: VCBH has an established plan, is in close contact with Public Health, and is providing guidance for staff, clients, schools and Community-Based Organizations. Current information regarding COVID-19 can be found at VCemergency.com.</p> <p>B. Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) – Hilary Carson, Program Administrator, Innovations</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Full Service Partnership (FSP) Multi-Platform Data Exchange project has been posted; a public hearing will take place on March 30<sup>th</sup>.</li> <li>• The 30-day Public Comment period for the Three-Year Program &amp; Expenditure Plan will be from March 17 to April 18; it will be followed by a public hearing on April 20<sup>th</sup> during the BHAB General Meeting.</li> </ul>		
<b>IX.</b>	<p><b>Committee Members’ Comments, Activities, Updates</b></p> <p>Mark Stadler gave information on the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT), which is funded by VCBH. It trains law enforcement to understand the signs of mental illness and developmental disabilities and teaches officers how to de-escalate situations. All local law enforcement agencies participate, including school resource officers. The CIT is building an 8-hour recertification for law enforcement who have taken the training in the past.</p> <p>Melissa Hannah noted that she speaks throughout the state about the local CIT program. She would like to have a CIT Public Service Announcement to share.</p>		
<b>X.</b>	<p><b>Items for the Next Meeting Agenda</b></p> <p>Not discussed.</p>		
<b>XI.</b>	<p><b>Adjourn</b></p> <p>The meeting adjourned at 11:30 a.m.</p>		