

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
YOUTH & FAMILY COMMITTEE
MINUTES ▪ Wednesday, June 9, 2021

<p><u>Members Present</u> Kevin Clerici, Committee Chair Martie Miles, Aspiranet Carole Shelton, Rainbow Connection Michael Rodriguez, Chief Deputy Public Defender Scott Walker, Law Enforcement CIT Lori Litel, United Parents Rosa Padilla, Probation</p> <p><u>Others Present</u> Lorena Guereca, Vista Real Charter High School Clarissa Cajiau, Interpreter</p>	<p><u>Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Managers/Staff Present</u> Dina Olivas, Youth & Family Division Chief Hilary Carson, MHSA Program Administrator – Innovations Gracie Lopez, VCBH Minute Taker Joanna Peterson, BHAB Assistant Dr. Jamie Rotnofsky</p> <p>NEXT MEETING: August 11, 2021</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.	Call to Order Chair Clerici called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda Mr. Clerici asked the Committee to review and approve today’s agenda. Carole Shelton moved to approve; Michael Rodriguez seconded. The motion carried unanimously through roll call.	The agenda was approved as written. M/S/C	
III.	Approval of the April 14, 2021 Minutes Mr. Clerici asked the Committee to review and approve the minutes of the April 14, 2021 meeting. Carole Shelton moved to approve; Martie Miles seconded. The motion carried unanimously through roll call.	The minutes were approved as written. M/S/C	
IV.	Welcome and Introductions Mr. Clerici welcomed everyone and asked for introductions.		
V.	Chair Announcements None.		
VI.	Public Comments Carole Shelton- April marked Autism acceptance month and May marked Mental Health Awareness month. Would like to talk about those with dual diagnosis. Autism and a Mental Health disorder. As a reminder the Youth and Family committee is responsible to investigate needs, programs and services children us and to report to the BHAB on these matters. Start by thanking the community partners that are currently serving or have plans to serve youth’s with autism. There isn’t any program for those with intellectual disability. There are very few treatment options for children who have mental health disorder or IDD. Parents families and youth need support to manage their children’s behavior, mental health and crisis. On March 31 st , 2021 a young man in a behavioral health crisis was shot in his home during a behavioral health crisis. He had autism and hearing impaired. When will Ventura County make a comprehensive plan to help families. There are entities willing to support the County of Ventura. We do not need to wait for the department of developmental service to take action.		
VII.	Presentation: None		

VIII.	<p>Ventura County Behavioral Health (VCBH) Youth & Family Division Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Youth & Family Division – Dina Olivas, Division Chief ❖ As the community re opens we are finding that those that we serve are having a willingness to allow us to go into their home and deliver those services or have appointments at the clinic. We have been very clear and very cautious and taking the lead of our community as they wanted to meet in person and some who do not want to meet in person. Our Clinicians have been available providing services in school and providing services in the clinics and at home. ❖ We have one additional program that has been initiated as part as the large efforts in responding to our resource families and to children who are in dependency youth. The family urgent response hotline has been establish here in Ventura County and this is a State wide effort to ensure that any resource and any youth who is in dependency if they are having a crisis there is a crisis team who can respond to help with de-escalation of behaviors and support. This is part of legislation that occurred this last year and that has begun. We do have a contractor that is providing those services Seneca. The Family Urgent Response number is 1-833-939-FURS. (text) Dina to share the flyer. ❖ On April 29th Youth and Family staff participated with Logrando Bien Estar in their series called Ask the Expert. In this presentation was to address the impact of COVID on children’s mental health and how to support families during the pandemic and how to assist families to not feel the stigma around seeking professional help. This series was provided in Spanish simultaneously in Mixteco and was live stream using various social platforms and there was opportunity for dialoged and questions. On May 12th we had an opportunity to present with a group of individuals for the student services collaborative of Ventura County Office of Education. We had an opportunity to meet and talk about the further development of the Ventura County Child and Family well-being system of care. And those who participated were VCBH, Human Service Agency, Tri-Counties Regional Center and Probation. We had an opportunity to look at how we are collaborating and what areas we need to improve in to have that cross-system support for youth and families. On May 24th we had an opportunity which was an important day were the Ventura County Office of Education had the very first equity conference. There was a series of workshops talking about diversity talking about justice inclusion and equity. We had an opportunity with our own office of health equity and cultural services to talk about how that shows up not only with in the youth and family division but across our department. Specifically, to talk about youth services. ❖ Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) – Hilary Carson, Program Administrator, Innovations <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Mobile Mental Health Innovation Plan was approved by the MHOAC. We have gotten started on that RFP not sure when it will go out. In the next year it will go out so services for that will not start until next year. Suicide Prevention Council is going through some changes, so they are moving the day to get more people to be able to attend. There is voting going on a day that works better. We have launched a new campaign. The website is on Wellness Every day. You will be able to find the videos and Suicide Prevention Council if anyone needs to reach them. 		
IX.	<p>Committee Members’ Comments, Activities, Updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Martie Miles – Staff has been working from their home. Most staff are willing to meet in person with families who are wanting to meet. We are opening office completely on Monday. We have managers, admin assistants and Supervisors staff on an interim basis. We are giving them their option to remain working at home. We will have staff at different times. ❖ Carole Shelton- We are opening on June 14th. Tri-Counties has done a stagger approach to opening and 100 percent of staff will not be there on Monday. No need an appointment it is a drop-in basis. However, an appointment will make it easier to assure that social distancing. We continue to support families, parent to parent, support groups, training and conferences. We are not in the position to support group but that has dialogue has started about that. Looking for ideas and suggestions to support the little one 0-3 making sure they are getting access to early start and early intervention. And ideas to support 0 to the end of life. ❖ Lorena Guereca- School has been open since April but limited capacity and by appointment only. We will allow more staff and students to come in starting July 1st. 		

	<p>We are a year-round school, so enrollments are on going through out the summer. All of 6 learning centers are open limited capacity. We serve youth ages 14-24. We will be having a pop-up vaccination clinic at our Santa Paula location on Saturday June 26th from 10am-2pm. We are reaching out to parents and youth.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ❖ Rosa Padilla– We have been in contact with Cinthia from Logrando Bien Estar and she will be presenting today to our Juvenile Mental Health court personnel. She will also be presenting to our management staff. We also had Scott Revlin from the alternative behavior strategies presented regarding autism to all our juvenile supervision staff last week. There has been a mandate from the state that when youth is released from juvenile hall that they be provided with a list of resources. If there is anything anyone would like to add to the list send it to Rosa. ❖ Lori Litel- United Parents on June 15th are going to re-open the Respite Program. Parent Partner Program we have been since April getting back out to see parents. As of July 1st, will be fully available for those who allow us to be there. CalHOPE program which we are involve with along with 32 other agencies across the state United Parents and NAMI are the only agencies that are doing the work Statewide. There is an average of 30 chats per counselor We are getting several people who are dealing with suicidal ideation and our hot line has been getting busier. 		
X.	<p>Items for the Next Meeting Agenda Presentation- Steve Varner, Program Coordinator for FEMA CCP Program</p>		
XI.	<p>Adjourn The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.</p>		