



County of Orange Mental Health Board & Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board

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MHB Website:

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Wednesday, May 27, 2020
9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

Meeting Location:
Zoom Teleconference Meeting

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Clayton Chau, MD, PhD

Christine Costa, DNP, PMHNP-BC

Karyl Dupee, LMFT

Sandra Finestone, Psy.D.

Mark Levy

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Kristen Pankratz, MSW

Bethsabe Romero, PhD

Courtney Smith

Nita Tewari, PhD

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ADAB MEMBERS

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Members Present: Christine Costa, Stacy Deeble-Reynolds, Karyl Dupee, Sandra Finestone, Johnnie Harris, Geoffrey Henderson, Matthew Holzmann, Debra Kelsey, Stephan Lambert, Lorraine Martinez, Stephen McNally, Kristen Pankratz, Bethsabe Romero, Michael Rose, Lauren Slivinski, Nita Tewari, Duan Tran, Frederick Williams

Members Absent: Supervisor Andrew Do, Margaret Fleitman, John Merwald, Joy Torres,

Call to Order at 9:04 a.m. by Michael Rose

Welcome and Introductions

- Pledge of Allegiance
- Each member and attendee introduced themselves and their respective affiliation.

Approval of Minutes – Action Item

- March 25, 2020
 - Sandra Finestone made a motion to approve the minutes from the March 25, 2020, meeting and Christine Costa seconded the motion with no corrections. The minutes were approved for the record. MHB Vote: Yes 11/0 No, ADAB Vote: Yes 8/0 No
- April 22, 2020
 - Nita Tewari made a motion to approve the minutes from the April 22, 2020, meeting and Steve McNally seconded the motion with some corrections. The minutes were approved for the record. MHB Vote: Yes 11/0 No, ADAB Vote: Yes 8/0 No

Behavioral Health Services (BHS) Director's Report – Jeff Nagel

Dr. Nagel took questions in reference to the Behavioral Health Services (BHS) update memo that was sent out to the board ahead of time. He highlighted a few additional items that are relevant to the impact of COVID-19 to BHS. BHS has continued to provide essential services and equipping all staff and our clinics/ offices to keep staff safe while engaging with clients and minimize transmission.



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ADAB MEMBERS

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Stephan Lambert

Lorraine Martinez

John Merwald

Jane Palmer

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HEALTH CARE AGENCY

Jeff Nagel, Ph.D.,
Deputy Agency Director
Behavioral Health Services

Annette Muhrditchian, LCSW
Director of Operations
Behavioral Health Services

Karla Perez
Staff Specialist
Behavioral Health Services

BHS Director's Report – Continued

Dr. Nagel mentioned that we are anticipating certain revenue shortfalls, CEO Budget staff has provided County departments with budget targets that we are required to meet. BHS' target is a \$28 million reduction, we are eliminating vacated positions, reduction in expenditures, and using unspent Mental Health Services Act (MHS) funds and realignment dollars. BHS is using some of these reserves for this FY 20/21 and 21/22 if needed, as we continue to do the fiscal monitoring. Dr. Nagel mentioned we have not yet had the need to tap into prudent reserve money. Moreover, BHS was given access to CARES ACT dollars to address the emotional impact of COVID. We have received a total of \$28 million, in which we will disperse into six strategies, 1) fund a community suicide prevention initiative, targeting the highest risk groups based on data 2) violence reduction strategies, such as child abuse prevention 3) youth resilience strategy 4) health disparities strategy 5) infrastructure strategy, purchasing equipment in providing telehealth 6) stigma reduction, media and promotional items

Old Business:

- <http://www.ochealthinfo.com/bhs/about/pi/mhsa/updates>

New Business: Action Item

- Motion to Concur with the Coalition Letter and Guiding Principles.
 - The Resource and Finance Committee put together a letter of support, to support the Coalition letter and Guiding Principles. This letter provides flexibility in using MHSA funds in response to the current public health crisis. Karyl Dupee made a motion to move forward with the letter of support for the Board of Supervisors, and Nita Tewari seconded the motion. The letter of support was approved for the record. MHB Vote: Yes 11/0 No, ADAB Vote: Yes 8/0 No
- Reaffirm the Mental Health Board Statutory Responsibilities.
 - The Resource and Finance Committee reviewed the MHB's Statutory Responsibilities as a refresher for new members on the boards.
 - Further discussion of will be tabled to the Study Committee meeting for the month of June.

Committee Reports:

- Older Adults Committee- Karyl Dupee reported they received a presentation by Karen Kalk from Mind OC on the Suicide Prevention Initiative for Older Adults.
- Pediatric Task Force- Kristen reported several organization have provided updates as to what they are doing with regard to COVID. She will forward minutes of the meeting to all members.
- Public Comment Committee: Christine Costa reported she has been tracking Public Comments. She will be contacting the lady who submitted the public comment on school based and community based services.



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Presentation

BHS Fiscal Update

By: Jeffrey Nagel, Ph.D., Director
Behavioral Health Services

Dr. Nagel provided a comprehensive BHS Fiscal Update. Annette Mugrditchian and Anthony Lee provided some clarification on specific budgets.

For additional information about the BHS Fiscal Update please contact kperez@ochca.com or 714-834-5481.

Public Comment

- Jim Farrell-
Mr. Farrell expressed concern for mixing dual diagnosed populations in treatment rehabilitation centers, such as in Phoenix House. Mixing populations creates conflict and ultimately leads to discharge and relapsing.
- Christine Tolbert:
Ms. Tolbert provided donations of 20,000 face masks and 102 gallons of sanitizers for BHS clinics / programs and for members of the ADAB / MHB. Furthermore, Cal Optima Member Advisory Committee is recruiting for a consumer seat and will soon be recruiting for a Beneficiary Seat.

Adjournment

- 10:49 a.m.

Officially submitted by: Karla Perez

***Note: Copies of all writings pertaining to items in these MHB minutes are available for public review in the Behavioral Health Services Advisory Board Office, 405 W. 5th Street, Santa Ana, CA 92701, 714.834.5481 or Email: OCMentalHealthBoard@ochca.com ***