



# County of Orange Mental Health Board

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Wednesday, August 26, 2015  
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Hall of Administration  
Planning Commission Hearing Room  
333 W. Santa Ana Blvd.  
Santa Ana, CA 92701

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**Members Present:** April Guajardo, Brian Jacobs, Judith Lewis, Richard McConaughy, Karyn Mendoza, Carolyn Nguyen, Gregory Swift

**Members Absent:** Supervisor Andrew Do, Alisa Chatrapachai, Jeffrey Davis, Ehsan Gharadjedaghi, Michael Rose, Frances M. Williams

Call to Order at 9:10 a.m. by Richard McConaughy.

## Welcome and Introductions

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

## Behavioral Health Services (BHS) Director's Report – Mary Hale

- Mary updated the board on county and contract services. In Adult and Older Adult Behavioral Health, our Wellness Center at the Tustin Mental Health Campus was approved by the Board of Supervisor's (BOS) on August 25, 2015. A second Wellness Center was approved to be located in Lake Forest. Additionally, the department is moving forward with our Adult and Older Adult Peer Mentoring program which is scheduled to go to the BOS on October 6, 2015.
- In our Children, Youth and Prevention Behavioral Health, Mary provided a comprehensive report on the issues of homelessness, particularly in Civic Center area following discussions with the Board of Supervisors. As a result, BHS has responded to the BOS's request to increase outreach services in the Civic Center area of Santa Ana. County staff has been stationed in this area, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., and some weekend hours have also been added. The goal is to increase outreach, engage and link individuals with behavioral health conditions to the appropriate services. Also, the BOS approved our Outreach and Engagement Services contract renewals with Western Youth Services, Child Abuse Prevention Center, and the Orange County Asian Pacific Islander Community Alliance (OCAPICA). Services have been redesigned with a regional approach which will allow for an efficient and coordinated response to community needs. Also, each region will have a toll-free number and offer a higher level of clinical intervention for all age groups. Furthermore, we are anticipating the co-occurring services at the Children's Hospital of Orange County (CHOC) for children and youth who have a behavioral health issue. The Health Care Agency (HCA) has established a contract agreement with CHOC to begin provide services to this population.



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## BHS Report Continued

- Mary reported that BHS will also work with Supervisor Do and his staff to target services for the Transition Age Youth (TAY) population and look into data, particularly for the ethnic communities and how we can increase access in this area.
- In our Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Administration, Mary reported that the board should have received a Community Services and Supports (CSS) Survey to provide feedback on service area gaps and needs. Also, the Mental Health Services Oversight and Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) will vote on adopting new Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) regulations. BHS will continue to work with the MHSOAC on the development of these new regulations.
- Mary provided a comprehensive update to the board on BHS responses to the most recent Grand Jury Reports (GJR). The BOS approved BHS responses to both GJR and Mary reiterated that BHS recognizes and is committed to continuing to work with the BOS, MHB, Hospital Association of Southern California (HASC), and various other community partners. One of BHS goals and focus remains to be that of crisis services and inpatient treatment/increased hospital beds in Orange County. BHS will continue to encourage the hospitals in Orange County to work with HCA in efforts of addressing these ongoing challenges of the availability of hospital beds for our most vulnerable clients.

If you have any questions about information shared, please contact Danielle Daniels at [ddaniels@ochca.com](mailto:ddaniels@ochca.com) or (714) 834-5481.

## Approval of Minutes – Action Item

- July 22, 2015
  - Gregory Swift made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 22, 2015 meeting and Carolyn Nguyen seconded the motion. The minutes were approved for the record. Vote 7 yes/0 no.

## Public Comment

**Steve McNally:**

Mr. McNally shared his concerns regarding behavioral health services for the Veterans population, particularly in the Civic Center area of Santa Ana.



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### Presentation

#### **Opportunity Knocks (OK)**

Full Service Partnership Program

By: Jennifer Olney, LMFT, Program Director

- Jennifer provided a comprehensive overview of the program to include referral sources, services and supports provided through the evidenced based training practice, Moral Reconciliation Training. This information included program performance outcomes and structure.

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### Committee Reports

**Barriers to Access/Treatment:** Brian Jacobs and Judith Lewis

- Judith reported that the committee had a successful meeting on Tuesday, August 11, 2015 at the Telecare Program in Santa Ana. The committee agreed on the name of the committee and identified the goals and objectives. The goals and objectives are: 1) Reporting and response to warnings and threats of violence and 2) Centralized Assessment Team (CAT) Database

**Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) Program Presentation:** Brian Jacobs

- Brian reported that the AOT Program presentation provided by Jennifer Dinicola, HCA and Anna Bowes, Telecare/AOT was informative. The participants were pleased with the information provided and excited to learn that the first graduate of the AOT program was reported doing really well including attending college. Brian acknowledged BHS and their implementation of the AOT Program.

**Nominating:** Gregory Swift

- Gregory asked for members of the board to volunteer to serve on the Nominating Committee. The goal is to present the slate of officers at the MHB meeting on October 14, 2015. Members who are interested in participating were advised to contact Gregory Swift or Danielle Daniels.

### Old Business

**Brian Jacobs:** Brian raised concerns about the availability of behavioral health treatment and services in our county jail system. He recommended that this discussion is on the agenda for the next MHB Study Committee Planning meeting on September 8, 2015.



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### New Business

#### *MHB Meeting Schedule Update - October*

#### Tuesday, October 13, 2015 – Canceled

MHB Study Committee Planning Meeting, HCA, Santa Ana

#### Wednesday, October 14, 2015

MHB Town Hall General Meeting

Delhi Center

505 E. Central Avenue

Santa Ana, CA 992707

6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday, October 28, 2015 – Canceled

MHB General Meeting, HOA, Santa Ana

### Adjournment at 10:37 a.m.

### **Officially submitted by:**

#### **Danielle A. Daniels**

*\*\*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. 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Santa Ana, CA 92701, 714.834.5481 or Email: [ddaniels@ochca.com](mailto:ddaniels@ochca.com) \*\**