



County of Orange Mental Health Board

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Wednesday, August 24, 2016
9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

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Planning Commission Hearing Room
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Members Present: Alisa Chatrapachai, Supervisor Andrew Do, Brian Jacobs, Judith Lewis, Karyn Mendoza, Carolyn Nguyen, Gregory Swift

Members Absent: Michael Rose

Call to Order at 9:05 a.m. by Gregory Swift

Welcome and Introductions

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

Approval of Minutes – Action Item

- July 27, 2016
 - Carolyn Nguyen made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 27, 2016 meeting and Judith Lewis seconded the motion with no corrections. The minutes were approved for the record. Vote: 7 yes/ 0 no

Special Report: Supervisor Andrew Do

- Supervisor Andrew Do announced progress in mental health services with the creation of additional Crisis Stabilization Units (CSUs); the Board of Supervisor's (BOS) approved \$3 million dollars to have possibly one CSU in South County and one in North County. Senator Moorlach changed regulation on the Mental Health Services Act Plan (MHSA), to use funding towards involuntary treatment and enable us to build long-term care treatment centers. A long term goal would be the ability to build a mental health hospital. In addition, Supervisor Andrew Do asked the board to find ways to change laws in conservatorship, to help change the timelines of a person in crisis to provide them more time to help the client transition.



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

- Jeff updated the board on county and contract services. In Adult and Older Adult Behavioral Health, Triage Grant funded Licensed Triage Staff and began providing services in five emergency departments of participating hospitals (CHOC, UCI, St Joseph's, Fountain Valley, and Saddleback). We are setting up a Meet & Greet/Orientation at UCI Hospital for Triage Grant funded Peer Mentors to begin providing services at this site. Additionally, the Santa Ana Psychiatric Evaluation Response Team (PERT) started in August. The CSU Solicitation of Interest received several responses for both voluntary and locked CSU's. Letters of intent to negotiate for locked CSUs were sent to interested providers on August 17, 2016. A Request for Proposal (RFP) will be drafted for voluntary CSU's. The California Health Facilities Financing Authority (CHFFA) grant went for Board approval on August 23rd to accept funds and approve agreement. Funds will be available for capital facility renovations and start-up costs for locked CSU(s) based on provider meeting CHFFA requirements. In addition, the hospitals requested the existing County CSU develop a capability to receive email referrals instead of fax; this capability is now in place. The existing CSU renovation update, the architectural plans were submitted to the city of Santa Ana for review. The Pre-Bid meeting the construction contractors held was on August 8th, and the bid will open on August 29th. Finally, we are addressing the need for shelter beds we added Grandma's House of Hope as a short-term housing (shelter) provider for women and we are exploring another provider for short term housing for men to hopefully start in September or October.
- In Children, Youth and Prevention Behavioral Health, Prevention & Intervention (P&I), Implementation planning for Continuum of Care Reform (CCR) is moving ahead. A tri-agency (Probation, Social Services Agency, and Health Care Agency) Steering Committee has been formed and is meeting monthly. There are four work groups in place to address different components of CCR that include Child and Family Teams, Foster Family Agencies, Short Term Residential Therapeutic Programs, and Stakeholder Engagement. Furthermore, Prevention and Intervention is coordinating several Community Mental Health Educational Events in September aimed at reducing the stigma surrounding mental illness. Suicide Prevention Week is September 5- 10th, and BHS has planned suicide prevention activities; to include a forum on Safe Messaging and Reporting on Suicide on September 12th.



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BHS Report Continued

- A follow-up Civic Center Homeless Survey was conducted in August, to follow-up with the survey that was completed last year to determine the needs of those homeless individuals residing in the immediate area. Over the last year, the increased outreach and engagement coverage in the Civic Center has resulted in a total of 13,855 outreach contacts and 837 confirmed linkages to behavioral healthcare services, entitlement programs, financial assistance services, and housing.
- In Mental Health Services Act (MHSA), their office has started the planning process for the Three Year plan for Fiscal Year (FY) 17/18 – 19/20. This plan will make adjustments to the budget to match actual expenditures. An expanded stakeholder meeting will take place on October 3rd; this meeting will be held to receive input from the stakeholder community on needed services. Following this meeting, in December the MHSA Steering Committee will vote on the budgets for each MHSA component.

Public Comment

Jim Farell: Shared concerns with co-occurring illnesses being addressed in a more effective manner to treat both illnesses simultaneously and obtain proper treatment in the right facility setting.

Matthew Holzmann: Stressed the need for beds and crisis evaluation centers. He provided information on a proposal for the Fairview Developmental Center, which would provide space for beds and mental health services.

Presentation:

Community Counseling and Supportive Services Program

Children, Youth and Prevention Behavioral Health Services

By: Raquel Tellez, Service Chief II

Raquel provided a comprehensive overview of the Community Counseling and Supportive Services Program. This program provides services for individuals of all ages who are experiencing a mild to moderate mental health condition. The presenter provided an extensive overview of the program and services provided to those accessing it. In addition, she shared information about their referral process and future program goals.

For additional information about the Community Counseling and Supportive Services Program please contact kamezquita@ochca.com or 714-834-5481.



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Committee Reports – Action Item

Membership Committee – Karyn informed the board of seven (7) recommendations for appointments to the board; they have been approved by Mary Hale and will be soon forwarded for approval of the Board of Supervisors.

Old Business – Action Item

- Greg provided possible dates for the upcoming MHB and Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board (ADAB) Joint meeting. The board was advised that the meeting will take place in the month of October on either the 6th or the 26th. More details to come via email for discussion amongst both board's Chairs to finalize a date.
- Greg invited the Board members to email ideas to Michaell on formulating their position letter against the recreational use of marijuana.

New Business

- Brian suggested for the MHB meeting minutes be shortened to only include action items. In addition, he suggested the minutes be sent ahead of time to the members for their review.

Adjournment

- 10:30 a.m.

Officially submitted by:

Karla Amezcua

***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: kamezcua@ochca.com ***