



COUNTY OF ORANGE  
**HEALTH CARE AGENCY**  
**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH  
ADVISORY BOARD**

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**Special Meeting and Mental  
Health and Substance Use  
Disorder System of Care  
Meetings  
NOTES**

**Wednesday, October 12, 2022**  
9:00 a.m. – 10:45 a.m.

**Teleconference meeting via Zoom**

**By Computer:**

<https://zoom.us/j/99364554212>

**By Phone:** +1 301 715 8592

**Meeting ID:** 993-6455-4212

**Members Present:** Alan Albright, Karyl Dupee, Heidi Girolamo, Matthew Holzmann, Steve McNally, Duan Tran, Chase Wickersham, Frederick Williams,

**Members Absent:** Supervisor Doug Chaffee, Kristen Pankratz, Jim Taylor

**County Staff Preset:** Michelle Smith, Ian Kemmer, Karla Perez, Brad Hutchins

**I. Welcome and Introductions for MH SOC:**

- Matthew Holzmann called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m. Members of the committee introduced themselves via roll call.

**II. Public Comment: MHSOC**

N/A

**III. Mental Health System of Care (MHSOC) Items:**

**Public Comments Received:**

- Concern for Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) budget underspending  
The board members decided it would be a good idea to have the finance committee focus on this matter and address the concerns that have been raised with regard to the MHSA budget.

Kristen can follow up for clarification with Mr. Arnot and then the Finance Committee will take a deeper look those concerns as well as any other concerns the BHAB may have with the budget. Karla will work with the finance committee to set up a meeting with the ad hoc and CEO's office staff.

- Chase followed-up on the detox facility at the Be Well facility. There currently is no update but Karla will look back at the comment and make sure his comment is captured.

**Public Comments Received:**

- **Overview of Suicide Prevention Month Efforts:**

Karla Shared a video was shared on Light up Hope OC.

Duan highlighted a few of the Suicide Prevention month efforts, to include the Light Up Hope Campaign that took place during the month of September. A lot of the members who attended some of the Light Up Hope events were very impressed. Matt commented about the effects social media may have on suicide attempts. Matt would like to discuss this at a later meeting.

Duan Tran went over a few mental health bills that have recently passed, to include SB-1338, SB-1227, SB-1165, SB-1035, and SB-1019. Steve provided a quick overview of how to access Senate Bills and access information and details on each bill.

**Action Item:**

- Find by majority vote: the following findings under Government Code section 54953(e)(3): (1) The BHAB's Substance Use Disorder System of Care has reconsidered the circumstances of the state of emergency currently in effect; (2) The state of emergency continues to directly impact the ability of the members to meet safely in person.
- Set a meeting for November 9, 2022, to make findings pursuant to Government Code section 54953(e).

1<sup>st</sup> Motion: Matthew Holzmann, 2<sup>nd</sup> Motion: Frederick Williams

Name	Yes	No	Abstain
Supervisor Doug Chaffee			
Karyl Dupee	X		
Heidi Girolamo	X		
Matthew Holzmann	X		
Stephen McNally	X		
Kristen Pankratz, MSW			
Jim Taylor			
Duan Tran	X		
Fred Williams	X		
Chase Wickersham	X		

**IV. Opening of SUD SOC:**

**V. Public Comment: SUDSOC**  
N/A

## **VI. Substance Use Disorder System of Care Items:**

### **Prior Meeting Topics Continued:**

- Addressing the Opioid Crisis Report Recommendations (2018)  
Karla informed the board that Mark Lawrence will attend the next meeting to address this report's recommendations. Steve McNally expressed his concerns about the lack of urgency to address the opioid crisis. In addition, Matt expressed his concern in the response from the County on the BHAB's recommendation letter to obtain 60,000 Narcan Kits.
- Michelle Smith provided a quick update on Narcan distribution, HCA is working with the OC Department of Education in the Narcan distribution along with the OCSD, Emergency departments, and all of the cities. Members of the board discussed local entities that should be having Narcan available to them and went over the hassles some of these entities are coming across in obtaining Narcan.
- Steve McNally expressed his concern about the amount of MHRS staff attending the BHAB meetings, as he would like for more staff to be present. He also would like for there to be more community events addressing the opioid crisis. He expressed this as a sense of disrespect to the community and would like for these concerns to be addressed by HCA.

### **Residential Facilities- Capacity and Medication Assisted Treatment (MAT) Friendly:**

- Ian Kemmer provided a quick overview of the language that is provided in the contracts with residential facilities.  
This is to ensure that language on MAT is included in their contracts and ensure that the providers agree to include MAT in their treatment plans. A request was made for staff to share a list of all contracted residential facilities.  
Ian suggested coming back to one of the SOC meetings and sharing information regarding the EQRO for ODS and for mental health. In addition, he can include a quick overview of AQIS.
- OC Sheriff's Certificate Coordinator Dominic Mejico- OCSD  
Steve talked about the OCSD Sober Living Certification program. Chase suggested having a presentation on a review of sober living facilities in the County.

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<b>Name</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Supervisor Doug Chaffee			
Karyl Dupee	X		
Heidi Girolamo	X		
Matthew Holzmann	X		
Stephen McNally	X		
Kristen Pankratz, MSW			
Jim Taylor			
Duan Tran	X		
Fred Williams	X		
Chase Wickersham	X		

- System of Care Shared Items:
  - BHAB Strategic Planning Retreat: Steve reminded all members of their upcoming retreat which will be an all-day event. The event will take place on December 14, 2022, at the Behavioral Health Training Center.
  - Calendaring Meeting Topics:  
Member submissions of agenda topics should be received one week in advance.
  - Matt reminded members to please submit any community event submissions and participation.
  - Karyl questioned General meetings being virtual and it was clarified that all General meetings once in person will need to remain in person due to laws in place. Steve asked for clarification on this matter.

**VII. Adjournment: Meeting ended at 11:00 a.m.**