

# Mental Health & Recovery Services June 2023 Highlights/ July Events

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# HIGHLIGHTS

## Community Events

MHRS held/participated in 24 community educational/awareness events in June:

- June 3: Unlocking Stigma Fair: Wellness Through Community- Norooz Clinic Foundation, Santa Ana
- June 9: Laguna Playhouse: Our Stories Program Celebration Event- Newport Beach
- June 9: OCAPICAs Palengke: A Night Market Celebrating Philippine Independence- Costa Mesa
- June 10: Tour de Recovery- TURN, Fountain Valley
- June 10: Medi-Cal Renewal & CalFresh Enrollment Event- Anaheim
- June 10: AltaMed Community Voces for Wellness: Mental Health thru Creative Writing- Anaheim
- June 10: Sowing Seeds- Mental Health Talk & Concert (Chinese community)- Irvine
- June 10: Angels Baseball Play Ball Weekend Youth Clinic- Irvine
- June 11: Angels Baseball - Tabling Event- Anaheim
- June 14: LGBTQIA+ Mental Health Community Teach-In- Santa Ana
- June 16: Cypress Senior Center Community Resource Fair- Cypress
- June 17: OCAPICA Health Fair- Garden Grove
- June 20: LGBTQ Center OC- Community Art Showcase- Santa Ana
- June 20: D3 Fentanyl Townhall- Rancho Santa Margarita
- June 20: South service Area Planning Outreach Meet & Greet- Dana Point
- June 23: Access to Prevention Advocacy Intervention & Treatment (APAIT)- Splash into Mental Health - Midway City
- June 24: AltaMed Community Voces for Wellness- Community Showcase-Santa Ana
- June 24: OCAPICA- Joy in Life (Farsi speaking Community)-Ebne Sina Foundation- Irvine
- June 25: D4 Future Leaders Program- Fullerton
- June 25: OC PRIDE- Santa Ana
- June 26: Wellness & Prevention Center- Virtual MH Townhall
- June 28: Homeless Resource Information Night- Lake Forest
- June 29: Villages of CA: Destigmatizing MH Documentary Showing- Santa Ana
- June 30: Connect -OC Coalition Meeting-virtual

### July Calendar events to date:

- July 11: Didi Hirsch Virtual Press Conference-
- July 16: Angels Baseball Family Sunday- Anaheim
- July 17: MHSA Planning Advisory Committee Meeting- Orange
- July 20: D3 Fentanyl Townhall- Orange
- July 20: Treasurer Ma visit to tour CHAFFA funded projects
- July 23: Angels Baseball Family Sunday- Anaheim

### August Calendar events to date:

- Aug 1: Mission Viejo National Night Out w/ OCSD- Mission Viejo
- Aug 1: Orange National Night Out- Orange
- Aug 6: Angels Baseball Family Sunday- Anaheim
- Aug 18: Angels Baseball Tabling Event - Anaheim

Aug 20: Angels Baseball Family Sunday- Anaheim  
 Aug 23: OC Vibe Employee Health & Wellness Fair- Anaheim  
 Aug 26- NAMI Walks 5K- Anaheim  
 Aug 30: D4 Fentanyl Townhall- Stanton

#### **September Calendar events to date:**

Sept 9: 26<sup>th</sup> Annual Tustin PD Open House- Tustin  
 Sept 15: Angels Baseball Tabling Event- Anaheim  
 Sept 16: Recovery Happens Event-Santa Ana  
 September 27: Cypress College Walk of Hope- Cypress  
 Sept 30: Angels Baseball Tabling Event- Anaheim

#### **October Calendar**

Oct 7: American Federation of Suicide Prevention Out of Darkness Walk- Irvine  
 Oct18: Vanguard University MH Fair- Costa Mesa

### **Program Highlights**

#### **Adult & Older Services (includes Behavioral Health housing):**

- Co located services at the Hero Landing Supportive Housing Project have successfully linked 5 veterans to outpatient mental health and SUD services this month.
- The Older adult program assisted 6 homeless older adult SMI clients in getting into stable housing this month.
- On June 12, 2023, HomeAid Orange County hosted the Francis Xavier Groundbreaking Ceremony. This housing project is in the City of Santa Ana and has 16 Mental Health Services Act dedicated units and one manager's unit.
- On June 21, 2023, National CORE in partnership with Mercy House celebrated the Grand Opening of the Legacy Square apartments, located in the City of Santa Ana. This housing project has 93 Total Units of new construction of which 16 are funded through the Mental Health Services Act for unhoused individuals with SMI.

#### **Forensics:**

- Working with the State Department of Hospitals (DSH) on Emergency Access to Stabilization Services (EASS) in the jail, slated to open in a few months for Felony Incompetent to Stand Trial (1370s).
- Working with the DSH IMO (Involuntary Medication Order) task force to initiate implementation of an IMO plan for OC, pursuant to new penal code language change effective 7/1/23 which will get felony 1370's medicated quicker at Orange County Jail. This plan includes education of stakeholders including bench officers, sheriff's department, correctional health services, etc.
- Implemented 1370 Felony Diversion track - first cases granted diversion this month

#### **Outreach & Engagement (O&E):**

- Successfully reversed another overdose in Hart Park in Orange. A bystander notified the O&E team that an individual was unresponsive and that they had already used one Narcan on him. The team immediately deployed Narcan, called 911, began CPR and were able to revive the gentleman, who was transported via ambulance to the hospital.

#### **Substance Use Disorder:**

- DUI and Drug Court graduate 16 individuals from the program

- Coordinated the Opioid Abatement Plan purchase of **7,500** units of Kloxxado (8mg dose of Narcan) and have begun deployment. Created a system to deploy Narcan and Kloxxado independent of an educational community event.

#### **Office of Wellness & Suicide Prevention:**

- Created a Media Guide for reporting Suicide.
- Light Up Hope OC has been awarded two international Vega Awards, for excellence in the planning and execution of digital communications.

## **Community Education**

Dr. Kelley participated in the following events to get the word out about MHRS, the importance of mental wellness/recovery support and to share resources with the community:

6/16- California Behavioral Health Planning Council - CARE Court and Patients' Rights presentation- Santa Ana

6/21- Mental Health & Workplace- OCERS- Costa Mesa

6/21- Opening Remarks- Legacy Square Permanent Supportive Housing Grand Opening- Santa Ana

6/24- OC Pride Opening Remarks on Behavioral Health and LGBTQ+

### **Media**

The media is focused on MHRS and behavioral health in general. The following interviews took place:

6/1/- Univision interview on CARE Court

6/12- KQED Public Radio Interview- CARE Court

6/30- OC Register- Opioid Abatement Funds

## HIGHLIGHT of the Month

The Office of Wellness & Suicide Prevention, working with contract provider US Vets, outreaches to Veterans and their allies to address suicide by firearms. Over the past two months, the US Vets team of Veteran Peers has been conducting outreach to Orange County gun shops and ranges sharing resources and information in support of the reduction of suicide by firearms. They have also attended and tabled community events throughout the County, sharing information with veterans and military connected community members about firearms safety. Within the last 30 days of starting this outreach, US Vets has distributed more than 200 gun locks and Prevent Firearm Suicide brochures created by the Community Suicide Prevention Initiative (CSPI) a network of stakeholders, led by the MHRS Office of Wellness & Suicide Prevention.