



**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES**  
A Mental Health, Alcohol and Drug Service Organization

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**ADVISORY BOARD ON SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS**

September 17, 2015

4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto, CA

# MINUTES

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Gregg Clifton  
Jeff Gullo

John Robin  
Jill Neifer

Michael Shinkel  
Kathy Rupe

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**MEMBERS ABSENT:**

Charmaine Monte

Randy Heldt

Eric Parsons

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**BHRS STAFF PRESENT:**

Cynthia Bocage  
Dawn Vercelli

Cherie Dockery  
Staci Ann Oji

Madelyn Schlaepfer  
Veronica Ortiz-Valle

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**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Kimberly Kennard  
Mike Greenlee

Marlena Neely  
Terry Codoni  
Dennis Ege

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**I. CALL TO ORDER & INTRODUCTIONS**

Meeting was called to order at 4:04 p.m. by Chair John Robin. Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Mike Shinkle led the Board and members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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**II. PUBLIC COMMENT / ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None Reported.

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**III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Minutes of the August 20, 2015 meeting were approved as written.

Shinkle / Rupe,  
unanimous approval

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**IV. CORRESPONDENCE**

Veronica Ortiz-Valle received a letter from the Board of Supervisors (BOS) formalizing the appointment of Jill Neifer as a member of the ABSAP Board representing District 3.

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### V. PRESENTATION: OUTCOME OF STATE MONITORING OF SUBSTANCE USE

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Madelyn Schlaepfer, Ph.D., provided an overview on the Outcome of State Monitoring of Substance Use. A tool utilized to measure substance use services to determine the outcomes and impacts as well as identifying areas of improvement in program processes and implementation. The State conducts desk audits bi-annually which consist of an extensive instrument that looks at our different substance use services funded by federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment (SAPT) Grant for programs such as Prevention, HIV, TB Testing, and Treatment. Monitoring of the Departments Drug Medi-Cal contract providers is also reported that includes Aegis, Perinatal Program, The Last Resort, and Genesis.

Dr. Schlaepfer shared this year's overall results of the desk audit was successful and highlighted some of the findings that required additional information. Areas included information on Department policies for accessibility and other standards, strategic plans, program deficiencies, provider training that deals with regulations around the provision of Drug Medi-Cal services, and data.

The site audit will be conducted in 2016.

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### VI. COMMITTEE REPORTS

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#### **Executive:**

The Executive Committee meets the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month at 4:30 p.m. to set the agenda.

**Substance Use Disorder Treatment Committee:** The September meeting was canceled. The Substance Use Disorder Treatment Committee meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month. The next meeting will be held October 14, 2015, 4:30 p.m. at SRC.

**Cultural Competency, Equity and Social Justice Committee (CCESJC):** The CCESJC meeting was held on September 14, 2015. Veronica Ortiz-Valle summarized the highlights of the meeting that included a presentation by Pam Esparza on Housing First focusing on families to sustain permanent housing. Suicide Prevention was discussed and announced September as World Wide Suicide Prevention month. The 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Out of the Darkness Walk event will be held September 19<sup>th</sup> in Modesto.

The CCESJC meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the Health Services Agency/Martin Conference Room. The next meeting is scheduled on October 12, 2015.

The September 2015 issue of the Cultural Competency Update Newsletter was included in the packet featuring an article on Community Capacity Building: An Ongoing Commitment to Prevention and Early Intervention, written by Janet Nuñez-Pineda.

**Prevention Committee:** There was no report. The Stanislaus Prevention Network meets bi-monthly on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at Sutter Gould Education Center from 9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. followed by the Prevention and Early Intervention Committee from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

**Criminal Justice Oversight / Forensics Committee:** There was no report. The next quarterly meeting will be held Wednesday, October 21, 2015, 4:00 p.m., Adult Probation, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Conference Rm., 801 11<sup>th</sup> Street, Ste. B-100, Modesto.

**Veterans Committee:** Veronica Ortiz-Valle noted that this committee is recommending they be removed as a subcommittee of the Mental Health Board. The committee's objectives have been accomplished. The Veteran's Treatment Court will move forward and will report out to the Criminal Justice Oversight/Forensic Committee. Veronica Ortiz-Valle mentioned this item will be scheduled for discussion at the next MHB.

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### VII. ABSAP/MHB LIAISON

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Kimberly Kennard shared that the August Mental Health Board meeting was held at Josie's Place Drop-In Center. Josie's Place Drop-In Center offers a variety of services to young adults' ages 16 – 25 diagnosed with a mental illness who have the goal of independent living. Josie's serves approximately 300 unique clients, 20-50 daily.

### VIII. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH DIRECTORS REPORT

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Madelyn Schlaepfer, Ph.D. briefly summarized on the following legislation:

- SB 614: Peer and Family Support Certification. This is a two-year bill.
- AB 1056: Second Chance Program that will provide funding for three pilot programs in efforts to reduce recidivism in prisons
- SB 11: Peace Officer Training: requires at least 15 hours of Crisis Intervention Training (CIT).
- SB 29: Peace Officer Training: requires field training officers who are instructors for the field training program to have at least 8 hours of crisis intervention behavioral health training
- SB 621: Mentally Ill Offender Crime Reduction Grants
- AB 1351: Deferred Entry Judgement Pre-trial Diversion

In addition, Dr. Schlaepfer revisited the idea about merging the ABSAP and Mental Health Board meetings and expressed that she would like to begin the merger process by establishing a workgroup comprised of ABSAP and MHB member participation. This will be a complex process looking at structure and benchmarking with other counties. Dr. Schlaepfer will email the ABSAP and MHB members about volunteering in this workgroup. Lt. Greg Clifton expressed interest to continue his role when the boards merge.

### IX. ANNOUNCEMENTS

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None Reported.

### X. ADJOURNMENT & NEXT MEETING

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There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 4:54 p.m. The next meeting of the Advisory Board on Substance Abuse Programs (ABSAP) will be held on Thursday, October 15, 2015, 4:00 p.m., Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Cynthia Bocage