



MENTAL HEALTH BOARD

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MENTAL HEALTH BOARD July 24, 2014

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting convened at 5:00 p.m. and was called to order by Chair Jack Waldorf.

Those in attendance introduced themselves.

Chris Cataline led the Board and members of the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Annie Henrich, Charles Grom, Chris Cataline, Jack Waldorf, Jerald Rhine, Kimberly Kennard, Linda Miller, Ritta Sundnikoff, Terry Withrow, Vern Masse, Jerald Rhine, Virginia Solorzano, Yvette McShan

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

STAFF PRESENT

Madelyn Schlaepfer, Veronica Ortiz-Valle, Shannyn McDonald, Becky Tyler, Cherie Dockery, Patricia Pasqualone, Cynthia Bocage, Elaine Byrom

GUESTS PRESENT

Madie Herrera, Betty Lynn Hartley, Christina Kenney, Jovanna Conzet

PUBLIC COMMENT/ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dr. Kimberly Kennard reported the Cancer Awareness Run and Ride will take place on September 20, 2014 at Modesto Junior College, West Campus. The goal is to provide a family-friendly event that promotes cancer awareness and provides an exhibit area with information about cancer prevention, early detection, cancer support services, nutrition, fitness and living a healthy lifestyle. The event gives participants a chance to honor and remember those in their lives who have been touched by cancer. It also gives our community the opportunity to come together to show support of cancer issues and cancer survivors.

CORRESPONDENCE

Veronica Ortiz-Valle reported the Board of Supervisors approved Yvette McShan as a member of the Mental Health Board. The Department of Health Care Services final report was received.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Action: Jerald Rhine made the motion to approve the Mental Health Board (MHB) minutes of June 26, 2014 Annie Henrich seconded the motion. The motion passed with attendance corrections.

CONSUMER REPORTS/COMMENTS - A member of the audience asked to have Laura's Law explained. Dr. Madelyn Schlaepfer explained, as a result of a 2003 shooting in Nevada County that killed a counselor the court now has the right to order an individual into outpatient treatment. Currently, Laura's Law is not in effect in Stanislaus County.

FAMILY MEMBER REPORTS/COMMENTS - None

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORT

Supervisor Terry Withrow reported that readmissions to hospitals have decreased. In November 2013, 67 readmissions were reported and 15 in April of 2014. This is a good example of results based accountability. There has also been a drop in homeless days, incarcerated and hospitalized. Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) was given 2 million dollars from the Community Corrections Partnership. Supervisor Withrow commented that the county is currently in contract negotiations with 12 unions. Part of the discussions relate to restoring the 6% reduction in pay that effected employees.

PRESENTATION – SED Endowment Collaborative

Becky Tyler presented The California Endowment Grant. Modesto City Schools contracted with Behavioral Health and Recovery Services (BHRS) ED & School Based Services (SBS) to utilize a bilingual Mental Health Clinician to engage in a pilot program using the behavioral/mental health consultation model. Three elementary schools and one junior high school were selected. SBS utilized a Social Work student intern who has experience as a Promotora, to work in conjunction with the Mental Health Clinician to deliver support and services to the schools. The expected outcomes are to decrease student contacts to the office for discipline issues and associated reduction in suspensions and expulsions and to increase staff's general knowledge of effective strategies to address student behavior.

DATA NOTEBOOK UPDATE

Vern Masse reported that the committee met, reviewed the indicators and made recommendations. A meeting is scheduled with Madelyn Schlaepfer on Monday, July 28, 2014 to finalize the data.

COMMITTEE DEVELOPMENT OF GOALS

Annie Henrich reported on the work the Embrace Diversity Internally and Externally committee has been finalizing a Power Point presentation to be used in recruitment efforts.. A copy will be given to each board member once finalized. The committee also developed a mini survey for the current board members to complete asking why they wanted to be on the Mental Health Board. This will be part of the recruitment efforts when the committee is out doing presentations.

Vern Masse reported his committee, Develop Board Competency, is currently revising the old Mental Health Board manual.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

Executive Committee

Jack Waldorf discussed vacancies of the Boards subcommittees. Jack has volunteered to chair the Managed Care and the Impact Committees until another member is appointed. Jerald Rhine has volunteered to chair the Children's System of Care Committee. The Administrative and Fiscal Committee will need someone to volunteer as chair.

Veterans Committee

Vern Masse reported Military Culture training has been completed for staff. Stockton has requested scheduling this training for their staff. A letter has been sent to Superior Court requesting a meeting to discuss their support for the Veterans Court.

MHB/ABSAP LIAISON

Dr. Kimberly Kennard reported Michael Greenlee, of Center for Human Services, presented the Intensive Outpatient Program. The program serves Modesto, Patterson, and Oakdale areas. The next ABSAP meeting will be held at the new Aegis site. Comment cards were also distributed.

CULTURAL EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE

The July 2014 issue of the Cultural Competency Newsletter was included in the packets.

DEPARTMENT REPORT

Dr. Madelyn Schlaepfer reported the following:

- New Staff – Jennifer Baker has transferred to the Director of Training position. Phillip Quadra, RN has joined the Integrated Forensic Team (IFT) team. Two clinicians have been hired one for CERT Elizabeth Sales and one for Child Welfare, Erin Black.

- On June 17, 2014 the Mental Service Annual Update and Three Year Plan was presented to the Board of Supervisors. Highlights included outcomes from the Full Service Partnerships (FSP) which is the high end intensive treatment programs. Days of incarceration, psychiatric hospital days and Institute of Mental Disease (IMD) facilities and state hospitals are reviewed. Some are cost avoidance, for example the number of days that those individuals in these programs reduced their incarceration was approximately 5,300 days which translates into a cost avoidance of \$639,000 dollars. Hospital days also went down by approximately 3,000 days which results in a cost savings of 3 million dollars. Individuals kept out of IMD's was 92 which resulted in a savings of \$9,500 and state hospital admissions were reduced by 3,200 days for a savings of approximately 2 million dollars. Even though the programs are very high end they do save both in the quality of life of individuals as well as some of the cost can be used for other purposes.
- Stakeholder meetings are now finished. Stakeholders agreed with the plans that were proposed. Dan Rosas will draft the 30 day plan for review. All were encouraged to review the plan, which is available on-line. A new FSP is being created, adding to a few successful PEI programs. This will, create opportunities for innovation, expanding current programs that BHRS contracts with, once the Board has approved it will go to the State.
- A plan is being drafted for the construction of the Crisis Stabilization Unit (CSU) at Stanislaus Recovery Center, which will be posted for a 30-day review and then to the Board of Supervisors in late August. The Stakeholders have approved funding for construction and the Board of Supervisors approved funding for the design.
- The Tri-Annual State Review is complete – overall all went well. Areas to improve: Making sure all calls get logged in as well as documenting that we offer an interpreter. The complaint/grievance form needs to be separate. There was a complication in implementing our EHR and we lost \$18,000 in Federal money. Problems have been corrected.
- The State budget has passed. Approximately two million dollars has been allocated for Katie A., which is care for foster youth, and the mental health parity laws were implemented. There are two Managed Care Plans, Health Net and Health Care of San Joaquin and BHRS is monitoring the number of visits they have which should be on par with physical health visits. The State authorized approximately 7 million dollars to install a suicide prevention barrier on the Golden Gate Bridge. They authorized approximately 2 million dollars for peer support, including families, training in crisis management, suicide prevention, recovery planning, target case management, assistance and other peer training and support functions. A small amount of money was allocated reinstituting the mentally ill offender crime reduction grants and funding for Criminal Justice and some for recidivism reduction programs. Low income housing approved 100 million dollars for multi family housing programs which provides low interest loans to developers for the construction or rehabilitation of affordable rental housing. Half will be set aside for loans creating permanent housing for people who are homeless or are at risk of homelessness.

Secondly, 76 million dollars in bond funds has been approved for the construction of housing for homeless and low income veterans. The lifetime band for drug felons for Cal Works and Cal Fresh has been eliminated. Our budget is looking good. 2011 realignment - Behavioral Health Sub-Account which BHRS receives funding from the State for drug medical, Early Prevention Screening Diagnosis and Treatment (EPSDT) for anyone under 21. Managed Care funds help pay for our psychiatric inpatient costs; Adult Drug Court and Perinatal Services are included in this. The Department is looking at an increase in 14/15 for this funding. The loan from Social Services, Child Welfare has been paid back, which was 200 million state-wide.

- The Community Corrections partnership has expanded. Both Probation and the Sheriff's Department provides some funding for our clinicians. Three clinicians are in the Public Safety Center and Behavioral Health Specialist are providing drug and alcohol services in our day reporting center.
- The Stakeholders approved \$185,000 for the Promotores program to bring a person on full- time and one part-time.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Yvette McShan thanked the Mental Health Board for the opportunity to serve on the Board.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting of the Mental Health Board will be held on Thursday, August 28, 2014, 5:00 p.m., Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Drive, Modesto.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Byrom
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