

Behavioral Health Board Members

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MISSION

- Advocate for the highest possible quality of life;
- Advocate for the elimination of stigma through education;
- Advocate for the removal of barriers to service; and
- Provide oversight and work in partnership with the staff of the County Behavioral Health Department.



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BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD**

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State law requires that each county have a Behavioral Health Board or Commission. The Board of Supervisors appoints members for three-year terms. Board members advise the Board of Supervisors and the Behavioral Health Director on various aspects of local mental health programs.

The role of the Board is established in the Welfare and Institutions (W&I) Code under section 5604.2 and California Health and Safety Codes: Division 10.6 Section 11805, Section 11964 and Section 11998.

The Board of Supervisors may transfer additional duties or authority to the Behavioral Health Board.

MEMBERSHIP

The composition of the Stanislaus Behavioral Health Board consists of 18 members, which includes three (3) at large positions and a member from the Stanislaus County Board of Supervisors. There shall be an equal number of appointees by each member of the Board of Supervisors as well as three (3) ex-officio members (Modesto Police Department, Sheriff's Department and California Highway Patrol). The SCBHB membership should reflect the ethnic diversity of the client population in the County. Fifty percent of the SCBHB membership shall be consumers or the parents, spouse, sibling or adult children of consumers, who are receiving or have received behavioral health services. At least 20 percent of the total SCBHB membership shall be consumers and at least 20 percent shall be families of consumers.

Consumers and family members are valued partners in the operation of the behavioral health system, and consumer and family member participation is essential in the successful planning and evaluating of programs.

The law also establishes special requirements on ethnic diversity and conflict of interest. Behavioral Health Board membership should reflect the ethnic diversity of the client population in the county and the demographics of the county as a whole to the extent feasible.

With regard to conflict of interest, the W&I Code states, "No member of the Behavioral Health Board, or his or her spouse, shall be a full-time or part-time county employee of a county behavioral health service, an employee of the State Department of Behavioral Health, or an employee or a paid member of the governing body of a ... contract agency."

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Behavioral Health Board, please contact Behavioral Health and Recovery Services Administration at 525-6225.

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD COMMITTEES

- Executive Committee
- Administrative/Fiscal Management Committee
- Managed Care
- Prevention/Community Education
- Impact Contract Run Services
- Impact Department Run Services

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD MEETINGS

The Stanislaus County Behavioral Health Board meets on the fourth Thursday of each month at 5:00 p.m. The Board does not meet in December.

