



**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES (BHRS)  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD (BHB)  
January 28, 2021**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting convened via remote participation at 5:02 p.m. and called to order by Chair, Kathy Rupe.

Chair, Kathy Rupe conducted member roll call and led the board members and the audience in the pledge of allegiance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Kathy Rupe, Jerrold Rosenthal, Peter Dean, Frank Ploof, Charmaine Monte, Rebecca Clover, Jack Waldorf, Annie Henrich, Captain Frank Martinez, John Snoke, Shehu Hassan, Supervisor Terry Withrow

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Carlos Hernandez, Michael Shinkel, Thomas Olsen

**STAFF PRESENT**

Veronica Ortiz-Valle, Ruben Imperial, Kara Anguiano, Mayra Mendoza, Kim Saing, Martha Cisneros-Campos, Michael Levy, Tina Jamison, Janelle Villalba, Kirsten Jasek-Rysdahl, Jennifer Marsh, Cameo Culcasi, Juanita Solis, Cynthia Bocage

**GUESTS PRESENT**

Jewel Warr, Christina Kenny, John Aguirre, Christina Montoya, Elizabeth Campos-Martinez

**PUBLIC COMMENTS: GENERAL, CONSUMER, FAMILY**

None reported.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Veronica Ortiz-Valle was pleased to report the appointment of new members John P. Snoke, Shehu Hassan representing District 2 and Captain Frank Martinez, Sheriff's Department. These appointments fulfill the vacancies in District 2. New members were welcomed as part of the Behavioral Health Board.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action: Jack Waldorf made a motion to approve the Behavioral Health Board minutes of November 19, 2020, Frank Ploof seconded the motion.

## **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REPORT**

Supervisor Withrow provided the following highlights:

- Efforts regarding COVID-19 continue, doing everything possible to distribute/administer vaccinations to the communities.
- Stanislaus County fiscal is steady despite COVID-19 impacts.

## **PRESENTATION: SB 855 Mental Health Parity Law**

Elizabeth Campos-Martinez, Manager of Social Services with the Health Plan of San Joaquin provided a summary on the new Senate Bill 855 Mental Health Parity signed into law by Governor Gavin Newsom on September 25, 2020. This law requires insurance companies extend coverage for mental health and substance treatment. For a comparison of the California Mental Health Parity Act, visit the blog [www.sequoia.com](http://www.sequoia.com)

## **Mental Health Services Act (MHSA): Revenue and Expenditure Report**

Martha Cisneros Campos, MHSA Policy and Planning Innovation Manager informed the board members of the MHSA Revenue and Expenditure Report for FY 2019-2020. The department is required yearly to submit a comprehensive expenditure report to the State of California Department of Health Care Services (DHCS); sharing what and how much was allocated to each service component of MHSA funding. For detailed information, please visit the MHSA website at <http://www.stanislausmhsa.com/>

## **Drivers Under the Influence (DUI) Program Licensure Recommendation**

Jennifer Marsh, Program Coordinator with Education and Prevention shared a recommendation for the Safety Center Inc., licensing package. Since the closure of the Occupational Health Services (OHS) Multiple DUI Offender program in September 2020 in the State of California, the Safety Center, Inc., have been exhibiting the experience to provide these services engaging high risk DUI offenders in self-assessment and behavioral change. For this reason, BHRS recommends the Safety Center, Inc., licensing package to continue providing these services in Stanislaus County meeting all Title 9 regulations.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

None reported.

### **IMPACT-DEPARTMENT RUN SERVICES**

Peter Dean reported the committee met in January for a presentation from Family Partnership Center (FPC) which continues to be innovative in providing services to clients during this pandemic.

### **IMPACT-CONTRACT RUN SERVICES**

None Reported.

## **MANAGED CARE**

Jack Waldorf reported the committee met and discussed the various facilities offering inpatient services to juveniles. It was mentioned it would be beneficial to have a facility for children in Stanislaus County.

## **PREVENTION AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION/OUTREACH**

None Reported.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE, FISCAL MANAGEMENT**

Jack Waldorf reported the committee met in January and referenced to the BHRS offered trainings to BHB members.

Veronica Ortiz-Valle will follow-up with the BHRS Training department to extend the invitation to members for future trainings.

## **CULTURAL COMPETENCY, EQUITY AND SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE (CCESJC)**

Ruben Imperial announced Miranda Chalabi as the new Ethnic Services Manager (ESM) for BHRS. In addition, Ruben shared that a presentation was provided to the CCESJC committee regarding the BHRS Peer Support Services, continuing to provide virtual and in person services throughout the pandemic. The committee met in January and has started to look at performance measures primarily on the No Show data. Members were educated on the data to help strategize on how to reduce recidivism.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Ruben Imperial reported the following highlights:

- Budget Update: Monitoring closely the available grants such as the County Behavioral Health Continuum; California Advancing and Innovating Medi-Cal (CalAIM); Student Mental Health; Institutions for Mental Disease (IMD) Waiver.
- The Department continues to work on the strategic planning process regarding the department budget and MHSA.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Ruben Imperial invited members to join the Board of Supervisors meeting on Tuesday, February 9 for a presentation on the Youth Assessment Center (YAC) presented by Stanislaus County Probation Department in partnership with Sierra Vista Children's Services. In addition, Annie Henrich announced the Annual Stanislaus County Asian American Chinese New Year event will take place on Friday, February 19, 2021. An event flyer will be sent to the members via email.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:35 p.m.

The next virtual meeting will be February 25, 2021, 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. via Zoom at

<https://zoom.us/j/99290944986?pwd=UDJleGJsK24zblQwdEQ3NW1Rak5KZz09>, pass code

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Respectfully Submitted by Cynthia Bocage, Confidential Assistant IV