



**BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND RECOVERY SERVICES (BHRS)  
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD (BHB)  
May 27, 2021**

The meeting convened via remote participation at 5:01 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**

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

**MEMBERS ABSENT**

Charmaine Monte, Thomas Olsen

**STAFF PRESENT**

Veronica Ortiz-Valle, Ruben Imperial, Kara Anguiano, Mayra Mendoza, Martha Cisneros-Campos, Kevin Panyanouvong, Jennifer Marsh, Cynthia Bocage

**GUESTS PRESENT**

John Aguirre, Margie Johnson, Carlos Fernandez, Kelly Covello

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

None reported.

**CORRESPONDENCE**

Veronica Ortiz-Valle reported correspondence was received from John Snoke resigning from the BHB effective June 30, 2021. Received an application from District 5, the interview is scheduled for June 3<sup>rd</sup> with the Executive committee. The current vacancies on the BHB are one in District 1, one in District 3, one in District 4 and two in District 5.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Action: Frank Ploof made a motion to approve the Behavioral Health Board minutes of April 22, 2021, Jerold Rosenthal seconded the motion.

**BOARD OF SUPERVISORS (BOS) REPORT**

Supervisor Withrow reported on the COVID-19 Relief CARES Act funding that the County received and has been deployed out to the community. In addition, new one-time funding of 107 Million from

the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) has been granted. The Board of Supervisors are in the initial stages in planning how to deploy this funding. The funding will need to be used by the end of 2024.

### **PRESENTATION: Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Three Year Plan and Annual Update**

Martha Cisneros-Campos, MHSA Planning Manager provided a PowerPoint presentation with a brief overview of the MHSA Three Year Plan that entails the implementation of three proposed programs and its funding. The programs include Early Psychosis Learning Healthcare Network (LHCN) Statewide Collaborative; Full Service Partnership (FSP) Multi-County Collaborative; Community Planning Process and Stakeholder Input for Increased Innovation Planning, Design and Implementation. The MHSA Three Year Plan and Annual Update went for 30-day public review and comment period which closed on April 30, 2021.

### **PUBLIC HEARING - MHSA Three Year Plan and Annual Update FY 2019/2020 and FY 2020/2021**

Kathy Rupe called the public hearing to order regarding the MHSA Three Year Plan for FY 2020-2023 and Annual Update for FY 2019/2020 and FY 2020/2021. Kathy opened the floor to those present who wished to comment. There being no further comments, the hearing on the MHSA Three Year Plan for FY 2020-2023 and Annual Update for FY 2019/2020 and FY 2020/2021 closed.

### **COMMITTEE REPORTS**

#### **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

Kathy Rupe reported the committee met on May 6, 2021 and set the agenda. The committee agreed to have the MHSA Three-Year Innovation Plan and Annual Update public hearing as a presentation from Martha Cisneros Campos. The 30-day public review and comment period closed on April 30. Kathy announced Shehu Hassan as the new Chair of the BHB Contract-Run committee replacing Rebecca Clover effective in May. Frank Ploof reported the Ad hoc committee on BHRS/Law Enforcement partnership concluded their findings and will be providing a report at the executive meeting in June.

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

Shehu Hassan reported the committee met on May 12, 2021 and discussed how this committee will move forward and potential presentations.

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

Peter Dean reported the committee was provided an update from the Housing and Employment Services program.

#### **MANAGED CARE**

Jack Waldorf reported the committee discussed the Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) operations and hospitalization rates. Medi-Cal reimbursements have improved overall and proceeding as normal.

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

None reported.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE, FISCAL MANAGEMENT**

None reported.

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

Ruben Imperial reported that the committee continues to have programs present an overview of their program demographic information. The goal is to ensure that as an organization and treatment provider are addressing the inequities in the department and community in terms of mental healthcare. The Telecare adult program presented on their service and operations in May. CCESJC continues to document these conversations and monitoring data as the department implements the Strategic Plan. Ruben added that currently, data related to sexual orientation and gender identity is not being addressed and recognized this is an important part of providing services and the need to build the Departments' capacity on collecting this data. In addition, the committee discussed a joint statement released from the California Behavioral Health Directors Association (CBHDA) recognizing racism as a public health crisis prompting state officials on how to take action within the department to address systematic racism, County Leaders Statement on Racism as a Public Health Crisis.

## **DEPARTMENT REPORT**

Ruben Imperial reported the following highlights:

- Presented slides on the BHRS Strategic Plan providing a brief update on the major components of the workplan and timeline involving program reorganization plans, program development/information sharing with all staff, reassignment notifications, training and onboarding, program transitions, recruitments, contract development and administration.
- Reported that Governor Newsom's May Revision Budget proposal was released detailing that about 4.4 billion in initiatives focused on behavioral health needs and the discontinuation of LPS/Conservatorship State hospital contracts for the next three years starting July 1, 2021.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

None reported.

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m. The next virtual meeting will be June 24, 2021, 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. via Zoom.

Respectfully Submitted by Cynthia Bocage, Confidential Assistant IV