

Stanislaus County
Department: Behavioral Health and Recovery Services
MINUTES

Type of Meeting:	Behavioral Health Equity Committee (BHEC)	Date:	June 10, 2024	
Place:	Redwood Room	Starting Time:	11:00 am	
Facilitator:	Lezzette Ervin	Ending Time:	12:00 pm	
Support Staff:	Jessica Pulido			
Attendees:	Presenters Lezzette Ervin  Saira Alvarez Maile Graber Melissa McCay Janice Zapien Jessica Pulido Patricia Romero Tommy Panyanouvong  Collaboratives and Community Based Organizations Virginia Linker Maria Lopez  Virginia Linker Maria Lopez		Community Representatives Guests Stanley Bindner Jr Margie Johnson	

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Welcome and Introductions	Lezzette Ervin	Meeting called to order and introductions were made.	
Approval of Minutes	All	May meeting minutes approved with no corrections.	
MHSA Update	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette announced the end of the 30-day public comment period for the MHSA Annual update. SLT is preparing to present to the BOS on 6/25.	
MVP Interpretation services	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette is actively seeking additional interpreter resources for BHRS and is currently obtaining estimates for MVP services, for programs to offer live interpreting services to clients in their native language. Lezzette will provide information to the group once available.	
Interpreter Training June 21, 2024	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette and Sergio are conducting the first BHRS interpreting training on June 21 <sup>st,</sup> which is mandatory for all employees receiving bilingual pay to comply with the 8-hour training.	
Behavioral Health Equity Policies	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette discussed Behavioral Health Equity Policies with collaborative partners, ensuring cultural competence and training for contract agreement and compliance and is currently working on updating reviewed policies.	

Announcements	All	June is Pride Month, CalPride shared a flyer featuring various community events in Stanislaus, Merced and Sierras.	
		The LGBT group created an affirmation banner and collaborated with staff to display positive affirmation for the group.	
		The Behavioral Health Wellness Center announced a Pride community social scheduled for 6/14, open to the community.	
		The Juneteenth celebration is scheduled for 6/15 at Graceada Park.	

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Next Meeting: July 8, 2024 - Redwood Room, 800 Scenic Dr., Bldg. J

Reminder: The time spent on Quality Services activities can be claimed for reimbursement from enhanced funding. All BHRS staff are asked to code time spent in quality improvement activities and meetings on their time entry each week using organizational code MH60211700 or MH6501170 (for SUD). (Instructions are located on BHRS Intranet – QS TAB/Additional Resources). In addition, be sure to sign the sign-in sheet for these activities.

Respectfully Submitted By: Jessica Pulido, ADC III