



Stanislaus County
Department: Behavioral Health and Recovery Services
MINUTES

Type of Meeting:	Behavioral Health Equity Committee (BHEC)	Date:	July 8, 2024
Place:	Redwood Room	Starting Time:	11:00 am
Facilitator:	Lezzette Ervin	Ending Time:	12:00 pm
Support Staff:	Jessica Pulido		
Attendees:	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div> <u>Presenters</u> Lezzette Ervin </div> <div> <u>BHRS Staff</u> Sergio Landeros Stormy Zavodsky Elbra Slewoo Regina Raygoza Dan Domeier </div> <div> Melissa McCay Janice Zapien Jessica Pulido Alma Torres Luz Pulido </div> <div> <u>Collaboratives and Community Based Organizations</u> Virginia Linker Pathana Luangrath Laura Urzua Jack Henley </div> <div> Maria Lopez Beth Nelson April Gaona </div> <div> <u>Community Representatives</u> <u>Guests</u> Stanley Bindner Jr. Margie Johnson </div> </div>		

Order of Agenda Items	Presenter(s)	Discussion	Scheduled Actions
Welcome and Introductions	Lezzette Ervin	Meeting was called to order and introductions were made.	
Approval of Minutes	All	The June meeting minutes were approved as written.	
BHEC Definitions	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette distributed a copy of the Behavioral Health Equity Race and Ethnicity definitions, common terms, and acronyms used in the county's 2024 Diversity, Equity & Inclusion (DEI) Assessment. Handout	
BHE Data	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette mentioned the necessity of collecting demographics for data collection for an understanding of the diverse population we serve, and the services provided.	
BHE Project Outcomes for Behavioral Equity Plan	Lezzette Ervin	Discussed the Equity plan emphasizing the importance of providing clients with a safe, supportive community space beyond regular business hours. Lezzette gave examples of programs already implementing this practice by expanding hours of services.	

BHRS Site Visits	Lezzette Ervin	As part of the BHE Plan recommendations to “Develop guidance on a standard program space decoration, marketing materials, and office setup that reflects the diversity of clients and the community,” Lezzette plans to conduct site visits to all BHRS programs along with collaborative partner programs starting in August. The focus of the site visits is to ensure that the program/s welcoming lobby/reception areas comply with material that is culturally diverse and have information in our threshold languages.	
Announcements	All	Alma Torres announced the Wellness Center recently relocated to 800 Scenic Campus, expanding their program hours late into the evening including Saturdays to meet the community needs. Other BHRS programs expanding operating hours include the Housing Support Services, Outreach and Engagement team, and children’s medication clinic on the weekends.	

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Next Meeting: August 12, 2024 – 1130 12th Street, Room 16, Court Room, Modesto CA 95350			
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

