



SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB)

Regular Meeting

May 17, 2023 – 5:00 -7:00 P.M.

Behavioral Health Services
1212 N California St. Conference Room B/C
Stockton, CA 95202

Minutes

I. CALL TO ORDER:

- Moment of Silence
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Roll Call
- Guest Introductions

II. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD – OPEN TIME

III. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Approval of the April 2023 Minutes
 - ◊ Minutes unanimously approved.

IV. Public Hearing: Draft 2023-2026 MHSA Three Year Plan – Angelo Balmaceda

• Purpose of Funding

- ◊ Expand and enhance mental health services for individuals with serious mental illness.
- ◊ Provide prevention and early intervention services for those at risk of developing a mental illness.
- ◊ Promote innovative solutions that will advance the field of mental health.
- ◊ Strengthen the personnel, technology, and facilities through which services are offered.

• Purpose: *To assess the mental health needs of the entire community, including those that are currently served, and those that are unserved, underserved, or inappropriately served.*

• Feedback Requested:

- ◊ What is working?
- ◊ What needs improvement?
- ◊ Identify key needs and concerns by age groups.
- ◊ Prioritize needs or concerns.

• Definitions:

- ◊ *Gap or Need* – Services do not exist, or does not exist for a specific population.
- ◊ *Issue or Concern* – Services exist, but there is an issue or concern to be addressed.

• Essential Community Planning Meetings and Stakeholder Presentations & Feedback:

- ◊ 20 Public Community Planning Meetings / Stakeholder Presentations – 11/2022 – 3/2023
- ◊ Over 300 Attendees of which 80% self identified as a consumer or as a family member of a consumer with mental health or substance use challenge.



- ◇ Black/African American & Latino/x Community Members attended at record rate – 60% of total participants.
- ◇ Meetings spread geographically throughout San Joaquin County – Lodi, Tracy, Manteca, Ripon, Escalon, and North/South/Central Stockton locations.
- **Stakeholder Themes = MHSA PLANNING Priorities**
 - ◇ ACCESS TO TREATMENT & HOUSING STABILITY
 - ◇ BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE COLLABORATIONS
 - ◇ COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS WITH CULTURALLY FOCUSED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CARE
- **Expansion Opportunities and New Programs**
 - ◇ Expansion of TAY FSP Services (Intensive Care Coordination / Intensive Home-Based Services)
 - ◇ Contract FSP and Outpatient Services for La Familia and BACOP to enhance community culturally congruent services
 - ◇ Expand Community Corrections FSP for Misdemeanor Diversion
 - ◇ *New* Housing Stabilization FSP Services – for Whole Person Care and Homeless and Transitional Housing SMI Clients
 - ◇ *New* Co-Occurring Disorder Program – w/ SUD focus
 - ◇ *New* TAY Outpatient Care (Step down program for TAY FSP clients)
 - ◇ *New* Justice Decriminalization Forensic Restart Program
- **Comments**
 - ◇ Question regarding CBO's preparation for staffing
 - ◆ CBO's have not yet been chosen.
 - ◇ Question regarding schools and disciplinary actions in schools
 - ◆ 3 PEI contracts worth 2.7 Million Dollars
 - ◇ Question regarding Enforcement for these contracts
 - ◆ PEI Services are monitored quarterly, and the Cares program is run and monitored by BHS.
 - ◇ Spanish services are desperate need of interpreters BHS interpreters have had to deny services due to staffing and the Spanish community will not come back to BHS if there are no interpreters.
 - ◆ If this plan is approved by the BOS there will be one more FT interpreter in the budget.
 - ◇ There has been a lack of outreach for the programs that are available. The community doesn't know about what services they can get. – there needs to be more money for outreach and education.
 - ◆ There is 2million dollars in the plan dedicated to community education.
 - ◇ Suggestion that BHS consider dignity health, Use kids characters or celebrities in advertising campaigns and have advertising in multiple languages.
 - ◇ Offer forms and documents in more languages outside of English and Spanish.
 - ◇ Questions about Schools and Privacy
 - ◆ BHS is not allowed into schools unless the schools invite BHS onto the campus.
 - ◇ Questions other special populations not included in this plan.
 - ◆ Although this plan is for FY23-26 it will be revisited each year.
 - ◇ Tagalog, Spanish, Punjabi in South Stockton Area not getting enough services.
 - ◇ Capacity to communicate with threshold languages.
 - ◆ Asian pacific islander contractor going to work with those communities.
 - ◇ Suggestion of partnerships with schools, developing a MOU so we can add them to the MHSA Plan.
 - ◆ Starting in 2025 MHSA will not fund School based services.
 - ◇ Discussion about way to address wage disparity between different counties.
- Board Unanimously recommended the MHSA Plan be sent to the BOS.



V. BHAB Chair's Report

- Discussion about Rotating the Schedule for BHAB Meetings during the FY 23/24
 - ◊ The Board approved the Rotating schedule, and the Board Secretary will arrange a schedule.
- Appointment of Liaisons to committee's and Meetings
 - ◊ MHS Consortium - Christine Stanbrough
 - ◊ Suicide Prevention Committee - Destiny Easter
 - ◊ Cultural Competency Committee - Omar Guerrero

VI. DIRECTORS UPDATE – Genevieve Valentine

- Access to Care Presentation – Donna Bickham
 - ◊ Walk through of what happens when someone calls Access to request services
 - ◆ Access follows up wot make sure client makes contact and if they don't Access follows up with Managed care.
 - ◆ Discussion regarding CRISIS and stays at 1212. When in the process do they decide if Client is 5150'd
 - ◆ Crisis Does Assessment and makes the call on if Client needs Law Enforcement involvement or if client can get someone to bring them to the ER.

V. ACTION ITEMS

Action

- Discussed changes to the Bylaws – Changes including Rotating Meetings were made and will be sent to County Council.

VI. COMMITTEES / LIAISONS REPORTS:

- Legislature - Gertie Kandris
 - ◊ Mental Health Services Oversight & Accountability Commission (MHSOAC) under the California Health & Human Services Agency, which reports to the Legislature, held a Teleconference on April 27, 2023 with respect to the Priorities for the Prevention and Early Intervention (PEI) Component of the Mental Health Services Act (MHSA).
 - ◊ Proposals discussed included what other States have done to overcome treatment limitations. If individuals have other health insurance coverage encourage them not to drop this coverage if they need Medi-Cal to cover their Substance Use/Mental Health treatments.
 - ◊ Counties to report all funding sources used to draw down Federal Funds or maximize resources. Some of these resources include Public Health Plans and CARE Plan; use all funding sources to draw down Federal funds and maximize resources.
 - ◊ Counties to bill Medi-Cal as much as possible. Do not use PEI funds if you can bill that portion to Medi-Cal.

VII. REMINDERS

- Suicide Prevention Committee - June 20th at 3pm
- MHS Consortium - June 3rd at 3pm
- Cultural Competency - June 13th at 11am

VIII. BOARD COMMENTS

IX. ADJOURN TO WEDNESDAY June 21, 2023 at 5:00 P.M.