JUNE 4, 2026
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD (BHAB) ACTION ITEM
DRAFT BHAB PUBLIC COMMENT TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS REGARDING BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES ACT (BHSA) INTEGRATED PLAN (IP)

This action item seeks approval for BHAB's public comment on the BHSA IP Presentation happening on June 9, 2026 at the Board of Supervisors Meeting. The draft public comment will be finalized based on BHAB's feedback and, if approved, will be provided at the Board of Supervisors meeting.

On behalf of the Behavioral Health Advisory Board, I want to acknowledge the substantial work that went into developing the draft BHSA Integrated Plan. At the same time, BHAB continues to have concerns about whether the plan fully reflects community input and clearly communicates how the system will function differently for people with the highest behavioral health needs.

Throughout the public comment process, we consistently heard concerns about accessibility, implementation clarity, and the lack of detail around how investments will translate into real pathways to care. Community members and providers emphasized the importance of protecting the full continuum of behavioral health services, including mobile crisis response, housing supports, workforce stability, peer services, and culturally responsive community-based care.

This moment also comes amid significant fiscal uncertainty at both the federal and state levels. That makes it even more critical that limited resources preserve core infrastructure and avoid destabilizing the workforce and provider networks that communities rely on every day.

BHAB looks forward to continued partnership with Behavioral Health Services and the Board to strengthen implementation, improve transparency, and ensure the final plan reflects both lived experience and operational realities across the system.

It is THEREFORE, recommended that BHAB vote to approve the Draft BHAB Public Comment to the Board of Supervisors Regarding BHSA IP.

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