



**ADULT COUNCIL MINUTES**

March 12, 2018 | 11:00 am – 12:30 pm | Scottish Rite Center

**Members in Attendance:** Mary Benson (Consumer), Vianey Del Real Ochoa (ES), Alicia Devine (DCS), Antoinette Fallon (ADSPA), Melissa Hall (JFS), Alexander Heyer (TAY), Shiva Jaimes (BHETA), Betsy Knight (CM), Liz Kruideneir (Advocacy), Don Miller (FFS), Jeff Najarian (Consumer), Golby Rahimi (MHS), Jayne Reinhardt (HHSA), Serena Richards (LTC), Diego Rogers (MHCA), Amy Vance (SDWP), Marisa Varond (CADRE), Ann Vilmenay (CCRT), Kristen Walker (ES), Peggy Webb (RRC)

**Non-members in Attendance:** Alfredo Aguirre (BHS), Payal Beam (MHS), Martin Dare (MHSA), Christopher Guevarra (QI), David Mullen (AOA)

AGENDA ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTION
<b>I. Welcome and Introductions</b> (Co-Chair Jeffrey Najarian)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jeff called the meeting to order at 11:01 am.</li> </ul>	
<b>II. Approval of February 2018 minutes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Motion to approve minutes was moved as written by Diego Roger and Antoinette Fallon.</li> </ul> <p>Ayes: All      Nays: 0      Abstentions: 0</p>	
<b>III. Public Input</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No public input.</li> </ul>	
<b>IV. Director’s Update</b> (Alfredo Aguirre)	<p><b>National Update:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Alfredo attended the NACO legislative conference that was held in Washington D.C. The conference brings county officials together and interact with federal officials to address and discuss federal policy issues that impact counties.</li> </ul> <p>The following were a few topics that were addressed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>– Medicaid Bump Act – This bill amends title XIX (Medicaid) of the Social Security Act to increase the Federal Medical Assistance Percentage with respect to increased state Medicaid program expenditures for mental and behavioral health services.</li> <li>– The Behavioral Health Coverage Transparency – This bill will hold health insurers accountable for providing adequate mental health benefits and increase transparency for consumers seeking coverage for mental illness and substance use disorders.</li> <li>– Medicare for All Act – This bill would establish a universal single-payer health program to ensure care for all residents of the United States.</li> <li>– Veterans Treatment Court Improvement Act – This bill would require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to hire 50 specialists for the Veterans Justice Outreach (VJO) Program.</li> <li>– Keeping Communities Safe through Treatment Act - This bill directs the Department of Justice to establish a pilot program to provide grants to law enforcement agencies in designated high</li> </ul>	



	<p>intensity drug trafficking areas for pre-booking diversion programs to divert low-level drug offenders to drug treatment programs.</p> <p><b>Local:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The County continues seeking implementation of the DMC-ODS by the State.</li> </ul> <p>The objective of the DMC-ODS are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Increase the County of San Diego SUD provider network capacity &amp; offered new services to number of Medi-Cal beneficiaries.</li> <li>▪ Increase local oversight of the SUD provider network with the goals of improved service quality &amp; cost efficiencies.</li> <li>▪ Ensure efficient care coordination &amp; linkages among physical health, mental health, &amp; SUD services.</li> <li>▪ Increase public safety through the implementation of evidence-based treatment services.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>V. Justice Involved Presentation</b> (David Mullen)</p>	<p>David presented, and overview of the Justice involved services:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The development of the Justice-Involved service was so that persons with SMI or substance use disorders who are justice-involved have access to integrated treatment &amp; supportive services by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Increasing access &amp; connectivity between the justice system &amp; Behavioral Health ensuring clients receive the appropriate level of care</li> <li>▪ Deliver best practice services to improve wellness &amp; reduce recidivism to justice-involved individuals, including those transitioning from custody to the community</li> <li>▪ Evaluating impact through data &amp; definitions to improve outcomes &amp; support recovery</li> </ul> </li> </ul> <p>Presentation handout available upon request.</p>	
<p><b>VI. MHSA Update</b> (Adrienne Yancey)</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The California State Auditor conducted an audit to examine how DHCS &amp; the MHSOAC accounted for &amp; spent the funding, as well as the effectiveness of overseeing the MHSA.</li> <li>• The state selected three local mental health agencies (Alameda, Riverside, and San Diego counties), and determined that they allocate the MHSA funding appropriately and generally monitored their MHSA-funded projects effectively.</li> <li>• The audit found that DHCS has not provided effective direction to local mental health agencies on how to spend MHSA funds, which has impacted the ability of local mental health agencies to use</li> </ul>	



	<p>MHSA funds. Additionally, the audit reports that DHCS inadequately oversees the MHSA funds received by local mental health agencies.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The audit also reports that the MHSOAC needs to work on developing a guidance for the Innovation program approval process.</li> <li>• The California State Auditors will be working with the Departments to resolve these issues.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>VII. Adult Council Committees</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>❖ <b>Consumer</b> (Mary Benson)</li> <li>❖ <b>Work Well</b> (Amy Vance)</li> </ul>	<p><b>Consumer:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mary brought 3 concerns from the Consumer Committee: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Better rules for Board &amp; Care</li> <li>○ Stays in crisis house should give patience longer time to recover &amp; be able to use all available resources.</li> <li>○ BHS should allow patients more involvement in the discharge process &amp; assist homeless population with Section 8.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• The Wellness and Recovery Summit registration has been closed, due to full capacity.</li> </ul> <p><b>Work Well:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Work Well Committee meeting will be March 13, 2018 at 9:00 at San Diego Workforce Partnership.</li> <li>• Employer Social on March 27, 2018 at the Department of Rehabilitation.</li> </ul>	
<p><b>VIII. Announcements</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• In lieu of the Adult Council meeting BHS will host the Joint AOA/CYF/TAY Council Meeting on April 9, 2018.</li> <li>• CYF will be hosting the 3rd Annual Critical Issues in Child and Adolescent Mental Health conference on March 23 – 24, 2018.</li> </ul>	

**NEXT MEETING: MAY 14, 2018 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM | SCOTTISH RITE CENTER**