

Older Adult Council

MEETING NOTES

Wednesday, July 26, 2017

10:00 am – 12:00 pm

Health Services Complex

Coronado Room C

3851 Rosecrans Street, San Diego, CA 92110



ITEM	SUMMARY	ACTION
I. Welcome and Introductions (Nicole Loebach, Chair-Elect)	Introductions were made.	
II. Public Comments	None	
III. Review and Approval of June 2017 Minutes	Motion to approve June 2017 minutes with correction that the Assisted Living Waiver needs to be explored more as it is a limited option and needs to be expanded (sec. IV.). Also, it was noted that the use of interpreter services and type of language is a requirement and is not part of the progress notes (sec. VIII.).	
IV. Chair's Report (Maureen Piwowsarski, Chair)	None Chair-Elect, Nicole Loebach, led meeting as Chair was absent.	
V. Behavioral Health Director's Report Updates (Alfredo Aguirre)	<p>National/Federal level - A bill was passed by the Senate to proceed with debate on amended versions or repeal of Obamacare.</p> <p>State level - Unified opposition to State Bill AB1250, which would promote or develop thresholds that counties must meet to contract out services, supported by the unions. There is a lot of opposition by the counties.</p> <p>Local level - We are going into our community engagement forum period. There will be two in person Community Forums and one Telephone Town Hall. The first is at the Lifeline offices in North County on 8/10/17 at 10:00 AM, the 8/16/17 at 6:30 PM will be the 'Tele Town Hall' and the last one will be on 8/29/17 at 10:00 AM at the Jacob's Center. The focus of the Forums will be to receive assistance to help develop criteria to guide efforts of what programs are sustainable over time as unspent MHSA dollars are currently being spent down. Need help to maintain a broad equilibrium of services. We are about to opt in to Drug Medi-Cal (DMC) so we know through 20-21 we'll have Medicaid dollars, but the future beyond that is unclear. Because it's important to note, to give you an example, the Mental Health Services Act is used for match to draw down federal participation dollars for treatment to serve as part of our Systems of Care. We have major homelessness initiatives in the County, while still having a demand for services that we are obligated to meet thru our contract with the state as a mental health provider. CEF's help us with decision making. There will be focus groups between Aug-Sep. [POST MEETING UPDATE – The confirmed Focus Groups include the following: (1) Justice Involved Population – Wednesday, 8/9/17 from 3:00 – 4:30 at Exodus Recovery Services, 2950 El Cajon Blvd., San Diego. (2)</p>	

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	<p>Homeless Clubhouse – Thursday, 8/10/17 from 2:00 – 3:30 at Solutions for Recovery, 2136 El Cajon, Blvd., San Diego. (3) Clubhouse (Teleconference) – Wednesday, 8/23/17 from 3:00 – 4:00 (the Line # is TBD). There is also a Frontline Workforce (Teleconference) Focus Group – TBD, and a TAY Focus Group (TBD).] Also about to unveil a roadmap (later in August) to focus on our strategies that align with our vision. Need help from Council on comments on strategies and comments on what we’ve accomplished. Focusing on the criteria. We can’t continue to fund all that is being required so we need to look at what is contracted with the State and to look forward on how it will be funded Regarding the CEF’s, may want to invite all the agencies. We want the public with concerns about suicide prevention, etc. to take part. Will try to limit the # of County staff. Want people who typically don’t go to forums to attend.</p> <p>Seniors in Crisis Update (Sup. Diane Jacob’s office) - Goal is to develop a pilot project for seniors in crisis, particularly those with Alzheimer’s and related dementias, and to return to the Board in September with a report that consists of at least three core components. The problem description is seniors with dementia who end up in jail and/or hospitals due to the lack of resources in times of crisis. AIS will lead this workgroup and try to develop a service model to expand and enhance a response team. The team led by AIS, also has a subgroup involving geriatric specialists and a senior team. It is about bringing a discussion about the struggles they have. A flow chart is being developed of what the desired model would be with the ultimate goal to develop a care plan. What is common with these protocols is a rapid response team. How do we address individuals who fall through the cracks? How do we strengthen the response system? East County pilot being discussed. Working with Grossmont Health District Board. PERT involved, and law enforcement in general. Have challenges around the use of mental health related revenues, in terms of primary diagnoses. The Seniors in Crisis Subgroup lead will be invited to come present in a future meeting</p>	
VI. Older Adult SOC Update (Piedad Garcia)	<p>Still need to address the # of older adults homeless. How can we get geriatric specialists to assist with the homeless? How do we redirect geriatric specialists to attend to the homeless with SMI, and what is the priority? This Council needs to look in more detail at the services that we have. The larger issue is what to focus on as far as sustaining older adult services. 940 in outpatient clinics are receiving treatment. 220 are older adults (60+). 42K clients are veterans. In 15-16 9% said they are veterans. Per Nicole, one of the goals they addressed was housing older adults. Have to abide by ‘specialty mental health’ contract with the state. Per Piedad, requesting programs to transfer 15% of their clients within the year to primary health plan because they are at a low to moderate level.</p>	
VII. QI Update (Dasha Dahdouh)	<p>The 15-16 A/OA System of Care Annual Report is now available in the Technical Resource Library. The link to the TRL is http://www.sandiegocounty.gov/hhsa/programs/bhs/technical_resource_library.html, and the report is available in Section 6. The cultural competency and 3 year strategic plans were released</p>	

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	and are also on the TRL. A survey is being conducted with Mental Health Programs about peer support specialists. Last day to complete it is 8/8/17.	
VIII. Hepatitis A Update (Connie German-Marquez)	275 active cases and 7 deaths [POST MEETING UPDATE – as of 8/4/17 there are 306 cases and 10 deaths.] CDC Hep A Risk Assessment is available and recommended to us as needed. 20% of people with Hep A have no connection to IV drug users. 12% have an unknown source.	
IX. MHSA Update (Adrienne Yancey)	None	
X. Medi-Cal & Cal MediConnect Update (George Scolari, Healthy San Diego)	Presentation on Cal MediConnect Care Coordination	
XI. Announcements/Public Comments		

NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR:

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 23, 2017
10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
2-1-1 Connections Center
Community Room 114
3860 Calle Fortunada, Suite 101
San Diego, CA 92110**

Future speakers:

- August – Public Administrator/Guardian's Office
- September 27 – MHSA Housing and Housing Development updates – Simonne Ruff
- October 25 – 1115 Waiver – Maria Morgan
- November – Dark
- December – 12/5/17 9am-12pm 211 Building
- January –
- February –
- March –
- April –
- May –
- June –