BHS Older Adult Council MEETING NOTES

Wednesday, March 15, 2017 1:00-3:00 p.m., 211 San Diego

Meeting Lead: Maureen Piwowarski, Chair





ITEM	SUMMARY
Welcome/Introductions/ Announcements- Maureen Piwowarski, Chair	Participants introduced themselves.
2. Public Comments	No public comments.
Review and approval of Agenda and Minutes	February 2017 minutes were approved.
4. Chair Report - Maureen Piwowarski, Chair	It was voted in favor to move the meeting start time to 1:15pm. A workgroup will be set up to identify future goals of the Council.
5. Behavioral Health Director's Report Update – Alfredo Aguirre	Not in attendance.
6. Older Adult SOC Update – Piedad Garcia	Not in attendance
7. MHSA update - Adrianne Yancey	10 proposals were out for public comments. 5 were part of Cycle 4 and brand new programs. They will go to the Board for approval in April. Cycle 3 programs will be presented this month to the Board for approval of extensions and expansions.
8. QI Update – Dasha Dahdouh	The State survey (MHSIP) will be administered from May 15 th through May 19 th . QI is going to add two supplemental surveys to the MHSIP, assessing housing and spiritual beliefs. The survey is asking specific questions about housing (identifying resources and additional vouchers for the housing). Do the clients know about the resources and vouchers? mHOMS trainings were completed for all PEI programs. Internal training for CORs and Analysts will be on March 17 th , 2017. Next External Quality Review is scheduled for January 9 -11, 2018.
9. AIS – Chris Alire	AIS has a new Acting Director (Mark Sellers). The Board of Supervisor approved the re-classed/retitled position called Director, Aging and Adult Services. The Board also created the new separate position of Director, PA/PG/PC. Both programs (AIS and PA/PG/PC) will remain with the AIS umbrella.

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	New State grant from Office of Emergency Services for adult protective services program is coming and an "Anchor Team" has been formed. Referrals to this APS grant program will need to come from APS. It is to provide Case Management to those victims of abuse. The mental health and substance abuse portion is very important for this program. The program will start with hiring 4 staff. The % of referrals to the hoarding program (CREST) is not known at the moment. CREST is available to North Central/Central region referrals and hopes to expand to South Region.
10. Housing Council Update – Ruth Covell	AOC is partnering with UCSD to prepare a toolkit for other Counties to use. San Diego County has already been using UCSD for its measurers. The State would like for counties to use the same measuring tools whenever possible. At the end of the day, we want to look at the data the same way. \$2B housing initiative — there will be challenges because the money will go "off the top" and will affect all programs. The County will have \$2B less money. San Diego County will not compete; it's already one of the 4 counties given priority. There is a subcommittee about "little house" project— people living in small homes. The need of supportive services is one of suggestions to bring to the housing council — SROs and Board and Cares have decreased. There is a fine line as to who can be placed in ILFs. Staff in some of the B&Cs is not aware that some behaviors are part of the illness (ex: dementia). B&C staff needs education in this area.
11. Conservatorship and Older Adults – Joseph DeVico (speaker)	Conservatorship and Older Adults – Office of Public Conservator. Though there are different types of Conservatorship, LPS Conservatorship is the only kind that the Conservatorship Office works with. Currently there are 1059 Public P-Con cases and 184 on Private Permanent Conservatorship. Approximately 25%-30% are presenting with neuro-cognitive symptoms. The presentation described in detail the process of getting someone on Conservatorship.
12. Other	Clinical Director's Office - Whole Person Wellness is on hold. GMH (Geriatric Mental Health) certification is available thru BHETA (3 days March-May 2017).
	CYF has an upcoming annual conference and the topic will be grandparents raising children; special focus is on refugees.

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	During trainings at community forums it's good to consider the audience and focus on the special needs of the older adult population — difficulties hearing etc. It was mentioned that "Pocket Talkers" cost \$15.00 and are a great help to hearing.
13. Announcements/ Public Comments	No announcements or public comments.

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NEXT MEETING IS SCHEDULED FOR Wednesday, April 19, 2017 211 San Diego, Rm 114 3860 Calle Fortunada, Suite 101 San Diego, Ca 92123 1:15 pm - 3:15 pm