

We recommend that the Building a Better BHAB Workgroup:

Recommendations	Description
<p>1) Redeploy the Building a Better BHAB ad-hoc Workgroup for 2020. Focus on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Reshape BHAB work to align with Supervisor, HHS, and BHS leadership policy and practices that are primarily guided utilizing existing and future integrated data and information. b. Repurpose BHAB by fully engaging members within BHS systems, and community of stakeholders with an intent focus to meet responsibilities outlined in the Welfare and Institutions Code WIC 5604.2(a) & (b), 5848, & 5650 c. Develop systems and practices to ensure the BHS provider network, clients, and general public have the means and ability to participate collaboratively with BHAB and throughout the entire year. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Collaborate with BHS Director, staff, Supervisors, and any interested stakeholder, especially including the California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards & Commissions (CALBHBC). (b) Identify how BHAB will lead or contribute in the areas of policy development, budgeting, program planning, procurement, analysis, and outcome-reporting. (c) Determine expertise needed in the BHAB membership and collaborate with Supervisors to identify and place ideal candidates. (d) Ensure BHAB members invest in appropriate training and education to equip them to effectively fulfill their roles and responsibilities. (e) Identify the groups, councils, committees, and bodies BHAB members will collaborate with in any combination of oversight, participant, or spectator roles. (f) Develop communication methodologies and practices that ensure an active, effective communication loop with all stakeholders throughout the year.
<p>2. Reshape what we focus on throughout the year, how we meet, and how we collaborate:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Define the BHAB meeting-topic selection process. b. Develop presentation guidelines for any presenters at Executive BHAB or general BHAB meetings c. Develop a methodology future BHABs use to determine their next-year’s priorities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Utilize and publish a dynamic annual calendar of mandatory meeting priorities (e.g. Board Letters, Budget, Plan approval), BHAB-priority topics, and other topics we will focus on throughout the year. (b) Define presentation guidelines that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) presenters use to prepare BHAB in advance, (b) to inform presenters of BHAB member interests, (c) provide an optimal content and presentation format (c) Identify a process to inform BHAB Retreat participants while they develop their next-year priorities.