



October 22, 2022
Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB)
Fall Retreat Summary

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MEMBERS PRESENT

Bill Stewart, Chair – District 1
Janice Luna-Reynoso – District 1
Gaurav Mishra – District 1
Joel San Juan, District 1
Todd Boyer, District 2
Jim Taylor, District 2
Robin Sales, Member-at Large, District 3
John Sturm, 1st Vice Chair - District 4
Judith Yates, 2nd Vice Chair – District 4
Carol Clemens, District 5
Phil Deming, Member-at Large – District 5
K.C. Strang - District 5

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

James Merino, District 2
Serita Polinaire, District 2
Michael Grattan, District 3
Shannon Jaccard, District 3
Amina Sheik Mohamed, District 4
Richard McGaffigan, District 5
Nathan Fletcher, Chair, Board of Supervisors

BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES STAFF

Luke Bergmann, Director
Aurora Kiviat, Assistant Director and Chief Operations Officer
Nadia Privara, Assistant Director and Chief Strategy and Finance Officer
Cecily Thornton-Stearns, Assistant Director of Operations and Chief Program Officer
Dania Barroso-Conde, BHAB Coordinator
Betty Milton, Administrative Secretary III
Karen Aguilar, Administrative Secretary II

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Fall Retreat was called to order by Bill Stewart, Chair, at 9:00am.

II. WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

BHAB members introduced themselves by name and supervisorial district appointment.

III. NON-AGENDA PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry Hall provided suggestions on the subcommittees for 2023, encouraging BHAB to re-establish the Stakeholder Engagement subcommittee and creating a subcommittee focused on BHAB governance.

IV. ACTION ITEM: BHAB ANNUAL REPORT 2021

On August 25, 2022, BHAB Executive Officers received a draft of the 2021 Annual Report, as drafted by BHS staff. Feedback was solicited from BHAB members to be incorporated in the final report. The BHAB 2021 Annual Report was provided in the October BHAB Retreat meeting packets for approval by vote of the full BHAB.

ON MOTION of Judith Yates, seconded by John Sturm, the BHAB voted to approve the publication of the BHAB 2021 Annual Report.

AYES: 12 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

V. DIRECTOR'S UPDATE ON BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES

Luke Bergmann, Director, Behavioral Health Services

- **Continuum of Care:** A high-level overview of the Behavioral Health Continuum of Care with emphasis on crisis and diversionary services, inpatient hubs and care coordination, as well as residential and long-term care. Dr. Bergmann noted a challenge for enhanced services is an adequate workforce, which is a continued issue in San Diego. Members encouraged to review the San Diego Workforce Partnership report which addresses the behavioral health workforce shortage and potential solutions.

- **Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Projections:** Dr. Bergmann provided an overview of MHSA Projections which includes continued investments in critical services, strategic investments to ensure sustainability of services, and programmatic planning with projected increases in costs due to workforce challenges. To date, the County of San Diego (County) has reverted \$0 of MHSA funding, demonstrating BHS' ability to operationalize services funded by all components.

VI. BHAB'S ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Bill Stewart, BHAB Chair

- **BHAB Member Engagement and Participation**
Members discussed how to engage with each other to maximize the experience of serving on BHAB, particularly for newer members, and how best to work with BHS staff.

- **Identifying Priorities**
Members were asked to provide their top three priorities for 2023. Responses were reviewed and after careful consideration identified the following top three priorities:
 1. Community Engagement
 2. Care Coordination
 3. Workforce

VII. DISCUSSION: BHAB 2023 SUBCOMMITTEES

Bill Stewart, BHAB Chair

On consensus, the Criminal Justice and Alcohol and Drug Subcommittees will be active in 2023 until they sunset. The Community Engagement Subcommittee will be established for 2023 with clear objectives for the subcommittee pending further discussion by members.

ON MOTION OF Phil Deming, seconded by John Sturm, BHAB approved the 2023 Subcommittees.

AYES: 12 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

VIII. CalAIM PANEL DISCUSSION

Panelists:

Heather Summers, Deputy Director, San Diego Advancing Innovating Medi-Cal (SDAIM)

Tabatha Lang, Assistant Medical Services Administrator, Behavioral Health Services

Jack Dailey, Director of Policy and Training, Legal Aid Society of San Diego

Panelists held open discussion with BHAB and afforded the group the opportunity to ask questions or clarification related to CalAIM.

IX. ACTION ITEM: 2022 DATA NOTEBOOK

Annually, local behavioral/mental health advisory boards are asked by the California Behavioral Health Planning Council (CALBHBC) to complete a Data Notebook. This helps local boards fulfil their mandate to report on program goals, needs, and provide input to the legislature and the public. Participation informs advocacy decisions by the CALBHBC.

BHAB has taken the following action-to-date:

September 14, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff emailed BHAB members the 2022 Data Notebook, which aids the CALBHBCs advocacy for behavioral health services and requested input by 9/22. A reminder email soliciting responses was also sent on 9/21 and 9/26. Four members provided input.
October 13, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Staff drafted responses to items requiring factual or quantitative responses.• BHAB Members were emailed the draft responses to the 2022 Data Notebook for their review in anticipation of approving the Data Notebook at the BHAB Retreat on 10/22.
October 22, 2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• BHAB votes on submission of the Data Notebook final draft, after discussion of any pending changes, as needed (Action Item).

ON MOTION OF Phil Deming, seconded by John Sturm, BHAB approved the 2022 Data Notebook and authorized staff to submit to the California Behavioral Health Planning Council ahead of the October 28th deadline.

AYES: 12 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0

SPECIAL PRESENTATION: COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE PARTNERSHIP DASHBOARD DEMO

Dr. Nicole Esposito, Chief Population Health Officer, Behavioral Health Services

In collaboration with the University of California, San Diego (UCSD), BHS has been developing a website that includes unique dashboards based on community and BHS client data: The following are some highlights of the Community Experience Partnership (CEP) Dashboard:

- Timely and transparent integration of data and community engagement to promote behavioral health equity in San Diego County.
- Continuous feedback process by which issues can be identified, further informed by community engagement, and mediated by actionable plans.
- Users to have access to the same data that BHS uses to inform service planning, such as behavioral health equity by region and special populations.
- Current dashboards are a first step, numerous additions in process to expand data.

X. ANNOUNCEMENTS

None.

XI. CLOSING REMARKS

Dr. Luke Bergmann and Bill Stewart thanked all members who participated in the Fall retreat and look forward to continued collaboration.

XII. MEETING ADJOURNMENT

ON MOTION of Phil Deming, seconded by Bill Stewart, the meeting adjourned at 2:00 p.m.

AYES: 12 NAYS: 0 ABSTENTIONS: 0