

# Behavioral Health Advisory Board (BHAB) Executive Committee Meeting Minutes

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Date: March 3, 2016 Time: 2:30 pm - 3:15 pm

Place: 1600 Pacific Highway – Room 358

San Diego, CA 92101

### **AGENDA ITEMS**

## I. Call to Order

Meeting called to order by Phil Deming at 2:30 pm. Those present were Executive Committee members, Phil Deming, Chair, Jenifer Mendel, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice Chair, John Sturm, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice Chair, Rebecca Hernandez, Member-at-Large and Vanessa Mapula, Member-at-Large. Behavioral Health Services staff, Alfredo Aguirre, BHS Director, and Traci Finch, Administrative Analyst III were also present.

- II. Approval of the Minutes from February 4, 2016

  M/S approval of minutes Sturm/Hernandez. All ayes.
- III. Hearing from the Public (limited to 3 minutes per speaker)
  No public comment.

#### IV. BHAB Presentations – Review of Calendar

Prior to the calendar planning discussion, Phil shared information from a recent meeting he attended for Chairpersons of HHSA Advisory Boards. He noted BHS is the largest part of the HHSA budget and designated funding for older adult services is one of the smallest portions of the BHS budget. He suggested BHAB focus on funding for older adult services funding over the next year due to the increasing number of issues that come up for this population.

Alfredo explained one of the challenges for older adults is that mental health issues are often secondary to dementia and Alzheimer's and do not always meet the criteria for mental health funding. The other challenge is many older adults have Medicare and seek their care from their primary care providers through private health insurance. It is necessary to look beyond the public mental health system when looking at who is serving the older adult population as a whole. BHS does fund support groups for the caregivers of older adults with dementia or Alzheimer's.

Phil referenced the updated handout outlining upcoming presentations to BHAB for the 2016 Calendar Year. Discussion points included:

- Rebecca Hernandez suggested including more information/presentations on Children, Youth and Families.
- Phil Deming suggested moving the June presentation "Directing Change Student Videos" to another
  date, if needed, to allow more time for and update from the San Diego Police Department. If the
  student videos presentation cannot be moved, then perhaps a shortened time on the agenda would
  be an appropriate adjustment.
- Vanessa Mapula requested information on homelessness. Alfredo agreed to provide an update in May on "Project One For All" which addresses the homeless population.

## **Decision points included:**

- Cultural Competence Plan Overview in April
- Presentation on Youth for April
- Director's Report for April
  - Patient Advocate Update
- Director's Report for May
  - Project One For All Update
- Law Enforcement Update in June

## V. Discussion of Additional Workgroup

Executive Committee made a unanimous decision to stay with one single workgroup (Drug-Medi-Cal) instead of taking on additional workgroups at this time.

VI. Announcements

None

VII. Adjournment

Adjourned at 3:20 pm

Reviewed by,

Traci Finch, Administrative Analyst III

Behavioral Health Advisory Board Support Staff

Approxed by,

Phillip Deming, Chairperson

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