

**VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

March 17, 2014

NEXT MEETING:

**Monday April 21, 2014
1:00 PM- 3:30 PM**

Ventura County Behavioral Health Administration
1911 Williams Drive ♦ Oxnard, CA 93036
Training Room

Note: The Behavioral Health Advisory Board has not yet approved these minutes. There may be additions/deletions or corrections before the minutes are accepted in final form.

March 17, 2014 Meeting Attendance Roster

Members Present:

David Holmboe
Karyn Bates
René Beauchesne, LCSW
Nancy Borchard
Janis Gardner
Jerry Harris
Irene Mellick, LCSW
Kate Mills
Denise Nielsen
McKian Nielsen
Linda Parks, Supervisor
Dr. Irene Pinkard
Anita Ranade
Kiran Sahota
Carol Thomas
Sandra Wolfe

Members Absent:

Adam Bernal
Valerie Flores
Patrick Kelley

VCBH Administration Staff Present:

Meloney Roy, LCSW
Celia Woods, M.D.
Alicia Duenas
Doreen Fekete
Daniel Hicks
Rebecca Neumeier
Peter Owen
Tony Palermino
Dave Roman
KerryAnn Schuette
Patrick Zarate
Anna Ware

Director
Medical Director

BH Billing
ADP Prevention Manager

Contracts
BH IT/HCA

Manager MHSA Programs
Division Manager, ADP/DUI Programs
MA, BHAB

Others Present:

Diane Bustillos
Marika Collins
Lucrecia Campos Juarez
Jennifer Gomez
Mary McQuown
Martie Miles
Chris Novak
Linda Oksner
Kim Patterson
Kelly Stuart-Montemayor
Sarah Wade
Nicoleta Weeks

NAMI
Casa Pacifica
Clinicas del Camino Real
Pacific Clinics
RI
Aspiranet
NAMI
VSO
ICFS

Aurora Behavioral Health
CFMG

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/AC TION	RESPONSIBLE
I.	BHAB Call to Order		
	Mr. Holmboe called the meeting to order at 1:13 PM.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda (Action)		
	The March 17, 2014 agenda was approved as presented.	The agenda was approved. <i>M/S/C.</i>	
III.	Approval of the February 24, 2014 Minutes (Action)		
	The minutes of February 24, 2014 were approved as presented.	The minutes were approved. <i>M/S/C.</i>	
IV.	Welcome and Introductions		
	Mr. Holmboe welcomed the board; introductions were completed around the table.	Information.	
V.	Recognition Award		
	<p>A) Mr. Holmboe presented Ms. Sandy Rose with a Certificate of Commendation in recognition of her volunteer service on behalf of individuals living with serious mental illness. Ms. Rose and her certified therapy dog, Tintin support families in crisis through her donation of time to the NAMI <i>Friends in the Lobby</i> program, the Turning Point, <i>Quality of Life</i> program and as a team captain for the NAMI Walk.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Ms. Novak and Ms. Bustillos of NAMI praised Ms. Rose for her volunteerism and commitment to reduce the stigma of mental illness. Ms. Bates and Ms. Borchard recognized Ms. Rose for her commitment to provide comfort and support to clients and families through her support to the <i>Friends in the Lobby</i> Program at the IPU. 	Information	
VI.	Chair Announcements		
	<p>A) Mr. Holmboe announced the appointment of a new member to the board to represent District II; Ms. Beverly Wistosky Cross.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Supervisor Parks welcomed Ms. Wistosky Cross to the board and thanked her for her willingness to represent the needs of individuals with mental illness in the community. 	Information	
VII.	Public Comments		
	Ms. Campos Juarez, the Director of Mental Health Services at Clinicas del Camino Real advised the board of an emerging concern. She stated that Clinicas currently provides treatment for individuals with Serious Mental Illness and that depending on a pending decision by the state, those clients may need to be transferred to county mental health. The state is evidently considering whether or not to enforce the January 1, 2014 start date to the new policy. Ms. Campos Juarez commented that this change in service will disrupt the treatment of patients who currently receive integrated care at Clinicas.		
VIII.	Time Certain Presentations—1:30 PM		
	<p>A) Summary of Implementation of the Clinical Documentation System, Avatar BHD Avatar Team—1:30 PM</p> <p>Ms. Neumeier introduced the BHD staff responsible for the successful launch of the Avatar Electronic Health Record (EHR) and provided an informational presentation to the board.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Avatar Modules were implemented to organize client records, document clinical services and process billing. From July to December, more than 375 staff members were trained, 160,000 + progress notes were written and 3,000+ treatment plans were completed. Future initiatives include: Geneva; Katie A. Data Integration, DSM V./ICD 10, Management Data Analytics and Ventura County Outcomes Systems Integration. Avatar Team Recognition <p>Mr. Holmboe presented Certificates of Commendation to the individual members of the Avatar Team in recognition of their outstanding work on the development and implementation of the EHR which simplified medical billing and established electronic client records for improved clinical services. The BHAB recognized the work of the team to facilitate the collection of quality management data for operations review and process improvement activities: Rebecca Neumeier, Senior Clinical Data Specialist; Pete Pringle, LCSW; Tony Palermino, Information Technology Lead; Doreen Fekete, VCBH Billing Manager; Dave Roman, Clinical Data Specialist and Alicia Duenas, MIS Training Specialist</p>	Information	

	<p>a) Ms. Roy praised the accomplishments of the individual members of the team describing the complexity of the task and complimenting each member for their outstanding work effort.</p> <p>B) MHSa Plan Update 2013-14 KerryAnn Schuette—1:50 PM</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Public Hearing Ms. Schuette convened the Public Hearing, reporting that the plan was presented at the January 27, 2014 BHAB General Meeting and posted in February for a 30 day public review. Ms. Schuette announced that the board was hosting a public comment period. No comments were submitted. Plan Approval (Action) A motion was made and seconded to approve the MHSa 2013-14 Plan Update as submitted. 	The plan was approved. M/S/C.	
IX.	Directors Report		
	<p>A) Ms. Roy announced the following department events and trainings. Ms. Roy announced the 20th Annual Carpe Diem Conference held on March 7, 2014 sponsored by VCBH and the Ventura County Special Education Local Plan Area (SELPA). Dr. Allan Schore presented research on <i>The Developing Brain and the First Year's of Life</i>, to explain the lifetime effects of caregiving deficits experienced during the prenatal and infancy period; as adults, these children demonstrate a limited ability to regulate their emotions and to maintain stable relationships. Ms. Roy updated the board on the department's collaboration with HSA to fulfill the mandate of the Katie A. Class Action Settlement which requires the coordination of mental health services for children and youth (up to age 21) in foster care to address their behavioral health needs. Cognitive Behavioral Therapy Training has been scheduled for the Youth & Family Division clinicians the week of April 7, 2014. The May is Mental Health Conference has been scheduled on May 29, 2014. The conference will focus on Schizophrenia, further information and registration details will be distributed in the coming weeks.</p> <p>B) Ms. Roy announced housing and facilities updates. The Centerpoint Mall Project: The construction contract was awarded on February 25th, the first pre-construction meeting will be held on March 18th. Construction to expand the Williams Drive facility began on March 5th; the majority of work has been scheduled after hours to minimize impact on clinical services. The San Buenaventura Housing Authority has contacted VCBH to collaborate on the provision of services for adults with mental illness in a proposed housing development. If approved, this service collaboration would result in additional supportive housing for adults with mental illness in the community without a projected cost to the department.</p> <p>C) Ms. Roy announced the following program updates. Workers from the Oxnard/Ventura TAY Clinics have linked 57 clients to Medi-Cal over the last two months since the launch of Covered California. The changes in Medi-Cal eligibility have enabled our TAY, an underinsured population gain access to consistent medical care which will support their overall wellness and recovery. Statewide CA Highway Patrol (CHP) staff are participating in eight hour specialized trainings for Crisis Intervention. We have been invited to present a two hour training on Ventura County specific mental health resources. Robin Boscarelli, Crisis Team CA and Erick Elhard, CIRT Director will provide a talk similar to the quarterly CIT presentations for law enforcement. Our NAMI partners will join us to provide a perspective on best practices to serve consumers and family members during a mental health crisis.</p>	Information.	
X.	New Business		
	<p>A) BHD Contract Approval (Action) Ms. Roy provided a summary of the contracts submitted to the Board of Supervisors for approval.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Board Agenda—March 25, 2014 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> MHSa Service Act Update Sylmar and California Psychiatric Transitions Amendments Katie A., et al. v. Diana Bonta, et al. Class Action Settlement Agreement Board Agenda—April 8, 2014 <ol style="list-style-type: none"> SELPA Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and Position 	The board approved the contracts as submitted. M/S/C.	

	b) Netsmart Technologies, Inc. Third Amendment 3. Board Agenda—April 15, 2014 a) Aspiranet and Casa Pacifica (CIRT) Amendments A motion was made and seconded to approve the contracts as submitted. B) BHAB Site Visit Planning Deferred due to time.		
IX.	Board Member Comments & Announcements		
	A) Ms. Bates announced the upcoming training hosted by the California Association of Local Mental Health Boards and Commissions (CALMHB/C) on April 19, 2014 in Irvine at the Hotel Irvine on <i>Understanding Program Evaluation, How to Use Data to Measure Outcomes & Change</i> . Ms. Bates passed out an informational flier on upcoming training events hosted by CiMH and requested that board members participate by voting in the election of the officers to the CALMHB/C. B) Mr. Holmboe announced the resignation of Valerie Flores from the Board with regret. Mr. Holmboe announced that the office of Secretary is vacant and will be filled by special election. Members may self-nominate by contacting the board secretary to indicate their interest.	Information	
XII.	Adjourn		
	The meeting adjourned at 3:12 PM.	Next meeting: April 21, 2014	

Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Attendance 2014

District	Member	January	February	March	April	May	June
District 1 Sup. Bennett	Karyn Bates	X	X	X			
	Valerie Flores	X					
	Kate Mills	X	X	X			
	Kirin Sahota	X	X	X			
District 2 Sup. Parks	Janis Gardner	X	X	X			
	Irene Mellick, LCSW	X	X	X			
	Carol Thomas		X	X			
	VACANT						
District 3 Sup. Long	Nancy Borchard	X	X	X			
	David Holmboe	X		X			
	Patrick Kelley						
	VACANT						
District 4 Sup. Foy	Jerry Harris	X	X	X			
	Denise Nielsen	X	X	X			
	McKian Nielsen			X			
	Anita Ranade	X	X	X			
District 5 Sup. Zaragoza	René Beauchesne, LCSW	X	X	X			
	Adam Bernal						
	Dr. Irene Pinkard	X		X			
	Sandra Wolfe	X	X	X			
Gov. Body	Linda Parks, Supervisor	X		X			

Present = X