

**VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
MINUTES**

July 21, 2014

NEXT MEETING:

**Monday September 15, 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.

July 21, 2014 Meeting Attendance Roster

Members Present:

David Holmboe, Chair
Karyn Bates
René Beauchesne, LCSW
Nancy Borchard
Jerry Harris
Irene Mellick, LCSW
McKian Nielsen
Linda Parks, Supervisor
Dr. Irene Pinkard
Kiran Sahota
Carol Thomas
Beverly Wisotsky, LMFT

Members Absent:

Janis Gardner
Patrick Kelley
Kate Mills
Denise Nielsen
Anita Ranade
Sandra Wolfe

VCBH Administration Staff Present:

Meloney Roy, LCSW
Kim Graves
Susan Kelly, LMFT
Deborah Thurber, MD
Celia Woods, MD
Patrick Zarate
Anna Ware

Deputy Director HCA, Director VCBH
Behavioral Health Administrator
Division Manager Youth & Family
Youth & Family Medical Director
Adult Medical Director
ADP/DUI Division Manager
MA, BHAB

VCMC Staff Present:

Dan Powell, LMFT

Operations Supervisor

Others Present:

Ratan Bhavnani
Juls Christian
Marika Collins
Patricia Ebner
Heather Gratt
Sahra Khan
Scott Miller
Ronald Nelson
Linda Oksner
Regina Poynter
Omari Pryor

NAMI
NAMI
Casa Pacifica
Recovery Innovations
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Orotate Foundation
VCSD
VCSD
Aurora Behavioral Health

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTION	RESPONSIBLE
I.	BHAB Call to Order		
	Mr. Holmboe called the meeting to order at 1:12 PM.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda (Action)		
	The July 21, 2014 agenda was approved as written.	The agenda was approved. M/S/C.	
III.	Approval of the June 16, 2014 Minutes (Action)		
	The minutes of June 16, 2014 were approved as written.	The minutes were approved. M/S/C.	
IV.	Welcome and Introductions		
	Mr. Holmboe welcomed the board; introductions were completed around the table.	Information.	
V.	Chair Announcements		
	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Laura's Law Workgroup will meet in late July to study the law, evaluate local resources and review implementation efforts in other regions. Ms. Mellick will provide updates to the board on the progress and deliberations of the Workgroup. 2. Members of the workgroup that compiled the 2014 Data Notebook will discuss the information gathered to develop the response and request board approval to submit the final response to the California Mental Health Planning Council. 3. Mr. Holmboe updated the committee on the efforts of the Reducing Disparities Workgroups that have been established by the Department to develop of a system of care to meet the needs of Latino individuals in the Santa Paula Valley and Oxnard Plain who meet specialty criteria. Collaboration with local providers to meet the needs of these communities has been a focus of the committee. 4. Selected members of the board will participate in the selection of a candidate to serve as the BHD Director beginning in August. 		
VI.	Public Comments		
	<p>A) Mr. Miller presented a comment to the board urging consideration of diet as a means to treat mental illness, commenting that dietary cures have been reviewed and substantiated in multiple films and books.</p> <p>B) Mr. Bhavnani announced the upcoming NAMI California Multicultural Symposium scheduled on Thursday July 31, 2014 at the Marriott Hotel & Spa in Newport Beach from 8:30 AM-4:30 PM. Local elected officials, community advocates and VCBH staff will participate in a panel presentation to discuss the collaborative process utilized in Ventura County to identify service gaps and develop programs to reach underserved populations within the community.</p>	Information	
VII.	Directors Report		
	<p>Ms. Roy presented the Directors Report.</p> <p>A) Ms. Roy announced upcoming events and trainings.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The annual <i>Recovery Happens</i> Conference will be hosted by the department on Wednesday September 10th. The theme will be "Choosing Recovery Every Day." <p>B) Ms. Roy announced housing and facility updates.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Billing, Prevention and Quality Management have moved to the expansion suite at 1911 Williams Drive. 2. The Centerpoint location continues to progress; final interior design decisions are underway. The Adult suite is projected to be complete in late September, the Youth & Family suite will be completed within the year. 3. Final design decisions for the secure MHRC (Horizon View) will begin on July 29th. 4. The Peppertree Apartment, managed through Many Mansions, a new 11 unit housing project in Simi Valley has already received three approvals. <p>C) Ms. Roy announced the completion of the recruitment process to place student trainees and interns for the upcoming school year. More than fifty students have been interviewed and selected to complete training for a range of degree programs including doctoral, MSW, MFT, MFT/Art Therapy, Nurse Practitioner and MHA intern programs. Stipends for bilingual students have made a significant impact on the numbers of bilingual interns choosing Ventura Behavioral Health as their training organization.</p>	Information	

	<p>been scheduled on the BOS agenda. The BOS has received two requests for support of legislative bills currently under consideration which would establish a temporary hold on access to guns for individuals who have met criteria for 5150 within a fourteen day period subject to review by a judge.</p> <p>C) Ms. Mellick commented on the formation of the Laura's Law Workgroup to study the law, assess local resources and evaluate implementation efforts in other regions. The workgroup will meet on July 30th from 12:00-2:00 PM at VCBH Administration.</p> <p>D) Ms. Bates commented on the benefits of beneficial fats including butter to support brain function as described by Time magazine, published June 23, 2014.</p> <p>E) Ms. Bates announced the approval of AB 1848 by the Governor which will change the legal language used to describe individuals diagnosed with a mental illness standardizing the use of person centered terminology.</p>		
XII.	Adjourn		
	The meeting adjourned at 3:01 PM.	Next meeting: September 15, 2014	

Behavioral Health Advisory Board Meeting Attendance 2014

District	Member	July	Aug	Sept	Oct	Nov	Dec
District 1 Sup. Bennett	Karyn Bates	X					
	VACANT						
	Kate Mills						
	Kirin Sahota	X					
District 2 Sup. Parks	Janis Gardner						
	Irene Mellick, LCSW	X					
	Carol Thomas	X					
	VACANT						
District 3 Sup. Long	Nancy Borchard	X					
	David Holmboe	X					
	Patrick Kelley						
	VACANT						
District 4 Sup. Foy	Jerry Harris	X					
	Denise Nielsen						
	McKian Nielsen	X					
	Anita Ranade						
District 5 Sup. Zaragoza	René Beauchesne, LCSW	X					
	VACANT						
	Dr. Irene Pinkard	X					
	Sandra Wolfe						
Gov. Body	Linda Parks, Supervisor	X					

Present = X