



FRESNO COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

Wednesday, November 16, 2022, at 3:30pm

Via Webex

Minutes

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH</u>	<u>MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC</u>
Nick Lutton	Susan Holt, <i>Director</i>	Neil Collins
Brooke Frost	Ahmad Bahrami	Amber Molina
Carolyn Evans	Brian Bishop	Lali Witrago
Stephanie Gutierrez	Elizabeth Vasquez	Deanna Kivett
Ana Boydston	Dang Xiong	Jessica Underwood
David Thorne	Vincent Montgomery	Kari Larson
Donald Vanderheyden	Mary Johnson	Sandra Martinez
Debbie Xiong	Kannika Toonachat	Fidel Garibay
Susan Xiong	Enrique Botello	David Tan
	Tina Young	Princess
	Jeannette Dominguez	Dawn Evans
		Enrique Botello
		Elizabeth Escoto
		Mitch Collins
<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u>		
Mary Lou Brauti-Minkler		
<u>BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</u>		
Sal Quintero, <i>Supervisor</i> – Absent		
Ari Martinez, <i>Chief of Staff</i> – Present		
Rocky Vang		

I. Welcome and Roll Call

Chair of the Behavioral Health Board, Nick Lutton called the meeting to order at 3:30 PM and a roll call of the Behavioral Health Board (BHB) members taken

II. Public Comment – No Public Comment was received

III. Review of Agenda by Behavioral Health Board

There was a brief pause for BHB members to review the agenda

IV. Approval of Minutes from October 19 2022, BHB Meeting

The approval of the drafted minutes was postponed until next month to allow sufficient time to review

V. Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) Update; Director, Susan Holt

Director Susan Holt began her Department Update presentation with the following acknowledgments for the month of November:

- Native American Heritage month

- Veteran's Day November 11th – DBH participation in the Central Valleys Veterans Day parade promoting the theme of "Be There Together" with the 988 Suicide & Crisis Lifeline

Fresno County monthly suicide data:

- October 2022 – Five deaths by suicide
- Lower than prior years of 2021, 2020, 2019 & 2018
- Same number as September of 2022
- Additional information was provided as a response to a request from the BHB regarding efforts made by the Department on suicide intervention / prevention strategies specific to the Southeast Asian community
 - No trends or patterns identified to shape a unique strategy
 - Diverse approaches to suicide prevention of audio and visual advertising in different languages
 - California Reducing Disparities Project (CRDP) - Hmong Helping Hands

A. General Update including DBH Events, Board of Supervisors Agenda Items and Legislation

Select Items of Note for Contracts/Board Agenda

- Nov 8th – Retroactive agreement with the City of Fresno for the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)
- Nov 29th- Amendment I to Agreement with Turning Point of Central California for the Forensic Behavioral Health Continuum of Care (FBH-COC)

Legislative Updates – Bills of interest

- AB2275 – effective January 2023
- Additional announcements can be found on social media

B. Outcomes and Overview report on the Crisis Intervention Team (CIT)

The Metropolitan Fresno Crisis Intervention Team (CIT) operated by Kings View, provides community - based response to individuals experiencing a behavioral health crisis as well as post-crisis case management and care coordination from 6 AM – 12:00 AM, 365 days a year. Co-located with some members of the Fresno Police Department at the DBH Health and Wellness Center (HaWC). The following information on the program was provided:

- Dates of operation: 12/11/2018 – current
- Reporting period: 7/1/21 – 6/30/22
- Program actual expense: \$2,106,551
- Number of unique individuals served: 3,982
- Cost per individual: \$529

Target goal #1

Increase total number of services provided – 6% increase from the prior fiscal year

Target goal #2

Provide linkage and consultation for individuals who are not hospitalized – 100%

Target goal

40% of crisis encounters will result in non-hospitalization with safety plan development – 35.46% (still an improvement from FY 20/21 which was 30.88%)

Target goal

Clinician response not to exceed an average of 20 minutes – met with average response time 19.41 minutes

Target goal

80% of stakeholders report a positive score – of 354 responses received 100% reported positive feedback

Crisis care mobile grant agreement was approved on Sept 20, 2022 to expand the program, adding two case managers and some Youth CIT training.

C. Report on Housing Services

Quarterly Housing Report

Alegre Commons – 139 W. Barstow Ave, Fresno, CA 93704

- Opened September 30, 2022
- Supports families / 20 No Place like home (NPLH) units for DBH / 2 and 3 bedrooms

Butterfly Gardens – 784 W. Holland Ave, Clovis, CA 93612

- Opened October 31, 2022
- 75 units total / First Permanent Supportive Housing in Clovis
- Grand opening ceremony December 5, 2022

Crossroads Village Development Update

3737 N. Blackstone Ave Fresno, CA 93726

- Awarded Housing Accelerator Funds of \$38 million
- Applying for supplemental Accelerator Gap funds to address rising costs

Corporation for Supportive Housing – Training

- Provided to Fresno Madera Continuum of Care members
 - Trauma informed care & supervision
 - Housing first model
 - Avoiding burnout
 - Active Engagement and De-Escalation
 - Critical Time intervention

Extension of the Lodge

A Public announcement was made regarding the Department intending to pursue an extension of funding for the Lodge, a Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Innovations Project. Approved in May 2020 and began serving individuals March 2021. Information regarding the Project and extension below:

- \$4,200,000 for three years
- Project is testing a model for engagement
- Limited time to collect data and analyze and evaluate
- Extension requested to change from 3 yrs. to 5 yrs.
- Included in request is length of stay for individuals from 45 days to 90 days
- A few additional points included in request

Detailed information can be found, and Public Comment is invited through the website

<http://www.fresnomhsa.com>

D. Patients' Rights Advocates Quarterly Report August 2022 – October 2022

Total Complaints/Grievances:

- August – 1 (unsubstantiated)
- September 1– (unsubstantiated)

- October – 1 (unsubstantiated)

Total hearings and advisements:

- August – 121
- September – 115
- October – 106

E. Sequential Intercept Model (SIM) Report/Overview

- May 19 – 20, 2022 a workshop with over 45 representatives across many sectors
- Mapping of individuals with behavioral health needs that meet the criminal justice system
- Opportunities were identified for linkage to service for prevention and less contact to system
- Development of priorities for action plans
- Draft report is under review

VI. Public Comment

None received

VII. Old Business

- **BHB report on October Site Visit with the CIT Team**

- Difficult to recruit clinicians for the team
- They look forward to the opportunity to work with the department on changes of improvement within the program
- Invite all support from the Department on the program and the difficult job they do

- **Nomination of BHB Officers Close**

Discussion on the closing of officers took place with the following nominations that will be voted on at the December meeting.

Nick Lutton for Chair

Brook Frost for Vice-Chair

Mary Lou for Secretary

VIII. New Business

A. Motion to Approve the Continuation of Teleconferencing

Motion – Debbie Xiong

Second – David Thorne

Discussion – None

Roll Call Vote - Eight votes in favor

Motion to approve the continuation of teleconferencing carried

B. Clarification on Site Visit for December

- November site visit with the Housing Access Resource Team (HART) deferred to take place in December

IX. Committee Updates

- Adult Services Committee -On November 7, 2022 the committee heard a presentation from The Family Advocate Program from Reading and Beyond. December 5th meeting has invited the Blue- Sky Wellness Center.

- Children's Behavioral Health Services Committee – On October 27th the Resiliency Center provided a presentation on their program and on December 15th they will hear from the River Vista Behavioral Health
- Forensics Committee- Met on Monday December 12th and hear updates on work done with the forensics team at DBH
- Substance Use Disorder (SUD)Committee – next meeting on December 8th and the committee has invited the Poverello House to discuss the Substance Use Disorder (SUD) services available

X. Public Comment

Announcement – November 7th at 5:30 Director Susan Holt will speak with the League of Woman Voters at their Stone Soup location, 1345 E. Bulldog Lane, snacks will be provided

Announcement – Interested individuals are encouraged to submit applications for the BHB at any time. Applications expire after one year of being submitted.

XI. Adjournment

4:56 PM
