



Behavioral Health Services

A Division of Health Care Services Agency

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SAN JOAQUIN COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD (BHB)

Regular Meeting

November 20, 2019, 5:00 – 7:00 P.M.

1212 N. California Street, Stockton, CA 95202

Board Members Present:

Joe Dittmann
 Karen Ivy
 Cary Martin
 Tasso Kandris
 Jeff Giampetro
 Patricia Barrett
 Charles Eproson
 John Weston

Also Present:

Tony Vartan, Behavioral Health Services Director
 Frances Hutchins, Assistant Behavioral Health Director
 Hilary Crowley, Management Analyst III
 Isabel Espinosa, Office Secretary

Board Members Absent/Excused:

Cynthia Thomlison
 Vaunita Duval
 Dr. Mudalodu Vasudevan
 Lori Hansen
 Supervisor Villapudua

Guests:

Gertie Kandris, NAMI SJC
 Justin Schrotenboer, VMRC

MINUTES

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Behavioral Health Board meeting was convened on Wednesday, November 20, 2019 at Behavioral Health Services, 1212 N. California Street, Stockton, CA. Chairperson Tasso Kandris called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. held a moment of silence, and led the pledge of allegiance. The Board Secretary took roll call. A quorum attended at this meeting.

II. INTRODUCTIONS

Chairperson Tasso Kandris led self-introductions among board members and the public audience present at the meeting.

III. PUBLIC COMMENT

- Joe Dittmann commented that HBO has a documentary called Ernie and Joe: Crisis Cops. It follows two cops from San Antonio, Texas who started their own crisis unit. They go out in plain clothes, and help public with mental health issues to divert them from jail.
- Cary Martin commented that Veteran’s Affairs is now contracted with San Joaquin Delta College for support services.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

- Joe Dittmann made a motion to approve the October 2019 minutes. Cary Martin seconded the motion. Motion carried with unanimous approval 8-0-0.

V. DIRECTOR’S REPORT

– By *Tony Vartan*, BHS Director

- Reviewed Performance Dashboards for Crisis Intervention Services, Psychiatric Health Facility, and the Crisis Stabilization Unit.
- Looking at ways to reduce missed appointments.
- CYS Dashboards coming soon.
- The Psychiatric Health Facility reported 1,157 calls to crisis, 1,370 calls to the warm line, and 1,166 clinic contact referrals. They had 35 Admissions to PHF, with 48 Clients served.
- 100% of consumers are participating in their treatment plan.

MHSA Updates

- Frances Hutchins, Behavioral Health Services Assistant Director

- The MHSA Annual update reviewed in May, and approved by the State in June. In August changes made by the state for prudent reserves.
- Revised plan was posted on the BHS website last night, there were some clarifications made to the previous version. A public hearing will be held at the December at Behavioral Health Board meeting.
- Three Requests for proposals released
 - High Risk Transition team. Team will start working with consumers when they are receiving inpatient treatment, and work with them while they transition in outpatient care.
 - Whatever it takes program, will clarify funding information. Program is to assist consumers with obtaining necessary documents such as copies of ID and Driver’s licenses, and overcoming barriers.
 - Intensive FSP for Youth for lower level of care, for at risk, or have already failed placements.

VI. NEW BUSINESS

A. Appoint Nomination Committee

- Nomination committee includes Karen Ivy, Patricia Barrett, and Cary Martin.

B. Performance Contract Review

- Tony Vartan, Behavioral Health Services Director

- This contract is required by the 1991 Realignment contract, and does not have any funding attached to it. This contract contains regulations for MHSA and PATH funding. In addition, the Behavioral Health Board reviews it. It assures that the county follows state and federal laws. Contract must be approved by the Board of Supervisors, and returned to the State, confirming that our facility know the laws included in the new document.

VII. COMMITTEE REPORTS

- A. Executive Committee: Tasso Kandris gave a summary of the Community Health Forum held at University of the Pacific.
- B. Legislative Committee: Tony Vartan, Behavioral Health Services Director reported on multiple bills.
- C. Grievance Committee: No report,
- D. Housing Committee: No report.
- E. Substance Use Disorder Committee: No report.

ADJOURN TO WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 18, 2019 AT 5:00 P.M