

California Coalition for Mental Health

Wednesday March 13, 2019 | 10:00 am – 3:00 pm
The California Endowment, 1414 K Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 10:18 am.

Last meeting, CCMH voted to support SB 10, 11, 12, SB 66 and all letters have been sent.

Paul Curtis moves, Sheron Wright seconds to approve the January 2019 meeting minutes. MPU. Neidenberg, MacRae abstain.

Treasurer's report provided in packet.

SB 539 and AB 333 Presentation

Justin Boese, California Behavioral Health Planning Council, presented on SB 539 (Caballero) and AB 333 (Eggman).

SB 539-CBHPC is sponsoring this bill; original funding for Workforce and Education Training under MHSA has run out after 10 years (2 5-yr workforce planning periods), Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development is responsible for administering program. OSHPD presented new plan for 2020-2025 but funding needs to be identified.

SB 539 will:

Create WET account (use as a trust fund to hold money)

Identifies funding sources:

- Capture MHSA growth funds-25% to WET fund

- Counties can voluntarily transfer money to trust fund before reversion

Budget Proposal: \$70 million ask for first two years funding for training funds from state general fund so program doesn't have to wait for growth funds (\$35 million/year; current estimates are \$26 million/year). The goal is to diversify to include all of behavioral health.

The bill is in Senate Health; no hearing set yet. The budget proposal was heard in the Senate and will be heard in the Assembly in May.

AB 333-extends whistleblower protection to contractors who are county mental health patient rights advocates. Previous similar bill, AB2317, was vetoed by Governor Brown.

Rebecca Gonzales moves, Chad Costello seconds to support SB 539. 5 AYES, 4 ABSTENSIONS. No official CCMH position will be taken.

No vote taken on AB 333. Recommendation to take bill back to separate organizations.

No Place Like Home Initiative

Mark Stivers, Acting Deputy Director, Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD), of No Place Like Home (NPLH) initiative implementation. See attached PowerPoint presentation.

CA has highest percentage of homeless population in CA. About 26% of homeless population are chronically homeless. NPLH has \$2 billion in bond revenue. Bulk of money for competitive grant program run through HCD. Goal is to make housing permanent, accessible, affordable, and integrated with voluntary services available.

Competitive grant process funding rounds will continue for several years with units being built until 2023.

Innovations Technology Suite

Kelechi Ubozoh, Peer and Community Engagement Manager, CalMHSA, presented on the Innovations Technology Suite.

Tech Suite is a multi-county/city project to integrate technology (cell phone apps) in the MH space. The app offers peer-to-peer support and wellness information; not traditional therapy. Apps are 7 CUPS and MINDSTRONG. UCI will be the evaluator of the project.

CCMH Decriminalization Workgroup Discussion

Met on Friday, February 22, 2019 to discuss bills, website, etc.

AB 53 (Jones Sawyer)-prevent discrimination in housing; group chose not to move forward with this bill.

SB 282 (Beall) Repeal ISMIP and move to HCD-more research/discussion needed.

SB 389 (Hertzberg) Allow MHSA for parole and probation-want to get CBHDA's input.

SB 483 (Monning) Youth Diversion Program-more research/discussion needed.

The next workgroup meeting is April 26, 2019.

CCMH Governor Advisory Subcommittee

Chad Costello has drafted a letter to the Governor that has been sent out to all CCMH members and will be sent to the Governor once the reference to Agenda for Fairness is deleted. Once the Agenda for Fairness is updated, a second letter will be sent to the Governor and the new rumored MH point person.

Ann MacRae moves, Janlee Wong seconds to approve the plan. *Motion passed unopposed.*

Agenda for Fairness Discussion

Talk of setting priorities, taking agenda down to one page, adding social determinants of mental illness, community trauma, food security, and the environment to agenda.

MacRae offers to edit the document and get it out to a review committee (Michael, Carol) in 2-3 weeks.

Member Announcements

Mental Health America of California (MHAC) - Mental Health Matters Day-Wednesday May 22, 2019 at the State Capitol East Lawn-Keynote Speaker will be Ruthie Bolton.

National Association of Social Workers (NASW) - Lobby Day April 7-8, 2019; bill selection and positions TBD; Social Work Day at Petco Park March 30, 2019.

Each Mind Matters (EMM) - Will be at 5 MLB Stadiums in 2019; Rivercats on Friday May 24, 2019.

San Diego Coalition for Mental Health (SDCMH) - Drug Medi-Cal services started in July; Alfredo Geary, Director of Behavioral Health, is retiring in March.

Council on Criminal Justice and Behavioral Health (CCJBH) - Next meeting March 21, 2019; Juvenile Justice Issue Forum; Lived Experience Stakeholder Event-May 29, 2019.

CHE Behavioral Health Services (CHE) - Employ 700 clinicians who provide BH services in nursing homes/skilled nursing facilities. Looking to coordinate with CCMH members.

California Psychological Association (CPA) - Annual Convention - April 4-7, 2019 in Long Beach.

California Primary Care Association (CPCA) - Day at Capitol-April 24/SB 66-Same-day billing hearing.

OTAC-Re-commitment for OTs to reclaim their MH history.

CBHPC-Next meeting in SF-April 17-19. Samuel Jain will be moving to DRC.

NUHW-CalMatters piece; potential second strike gearing up.

CAMFT-Lobby Day was March 1.

CASRA- Spring conference-May 1-2 in Concord.

New Business, Old Business

A discussion about whether to have the September meeting remain in So Cal was held. The consensus was to continue to meet in So Cal if there's a good speaker/tour.

Wong moves, Joseph Robinson seconds to support Mental Health Matters Day as a \$10,000 Champion sponsor. *Motion passed unopposed.*

A discussion of CCMH budget and expenses will be discussed at the May 2019 meeting.

Wrap-up and next meeting: Wednesday March 29th-10 am--3 pm- Sacramento-location TBD

Meeting adjourned at 2:30 pm (no formal motion was made)