

Stanislaus County

Department: Behavioral Health and Recovery Services
MINUTES

Type of Meeting:	Behavioral Health Equity Committee (BHEC)				Date:	March 14, 2022
Place:	Zoom / Redwood F	Room	Starting Time:	11:00 am		
Facilitator:	Lezzette Ervin				Ending Time:	12:00 pm
Support Staff	Michele Benedix, A	CIII				
Attendees:	Facilitators	BHRS / BHEC Exec		<u>Collaboratives an</u> Organizations	<u>Community</u> <u>Representatives</u>	
	Lezzette Ervin Carlos Cervantes Kara Anguiano Ruben Imperial	Abraham Andres Kristi Stewart Margarita Ramos Melissa McCay Pam Esparza Tameika Griffin Travis Whitehead	Karl Meabrod Laura Garcia Melissa Ayson Miranda Chalabi Stormy Zavodsky Tommy Panyanouvong Valerie Van Tuinen	Alexander Silva Beth Nelson Jessica Borelli Joni Green Laura Urzua Melissa Norvise Stacy-Ann Clarke Virginia Linker	Annie Henrich Fernando Granados John Aguirre Katalina Zambrano Martin Oliver Monica Bahr Vanessa Brown	Margie Johnson Shantel Johnson Stanley Binder

Order of Agenda Items	Presenter(s)	er(s) Discussion		Person(s) Responsible	Target Date
Welcome & Introductions	All	Lezzette Ervin called the meeting to order.			
Approval of Minutes	All	February minutes approved with one correction.	Add Melissa Ayson to attendee list	Michele	3/14/22
Cultural Competence Plan FY 2022-2023 (possibly name change Behavioral Health Equity Plan)	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette shared that the Cultural Competence Plan is being put together. The committee name has been changed to the Behavioral Health Equity Committee. The name is in the process of being updated on the website and we have had an email address created for consumers and staff to reach out for questions or comments.			
Grant Funding	Kara Anguiano	Kara discussed some of the grant funding BHRS has received in the last year through various sources. BHRS was also awarded grants to support planning efforts to identify construction acquisition or rehabilitation projects. Stakeholder groups will be formed to assist with formulating a plan for these funds to best serve our clients. Alexander asked if the PEI counselors will have training for helping youth that either have or are in the process of transitioning. Kara is not sure what the required training will entail, but she will look into it and report back.			

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		Ruben explained that some of these funds will be going into strengthening some of our core treatment services as well as expanding services in key areas.			
MHSA Innovation Planning Update	Carlos Cervantes	Carlos shared that the Community Planning Process Innovation Project was approved by the Board of Supervisors and the Mental Health Services Oversight Accountability Commission (MHSOAC).			
BHEC Cultural Calendar New/Update	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette thanked Tameika for researching and completing the Cultural Calendar. We will be highlighting events every month in emails to staff and consumers. If you have anything to add to the calendar, please reach out with that information. Lezzette shared that a lot of school districts are now mandating cultural diversity curriculum. Teachers will attend trainings and get certified in dealing with culturally specific issues.			
BHEC Roster Update	Lezzette Ervin	Lezzette asked that everyone look over the list of Lived Experience categories and consider if they know of any community members that might be able to fill those spaces. Alexander offered to represent the LGBTQ community as he has lived experience and would like to help. Shantel shared that she thought she was already input as a Peer; however, she also sees that we need representation from the African American community. Lezzette clarified that while several people have been invited to represent these categories, nothing was ever clearly decided. Several people mentioned in the meeting chat that they would be willing to represent specific categories. Lezzette will reach out to them in the coming weeks.			
Announcements	All	There were no community announcements.			

Reminder: The time spent in Quality Services activities can be claimed for reimbursement from enhanced funding. All BHRS staff is asked to code time spent in quality improvement activities and meetings on their time entry each week using organizational code MH-60211700 or MH6501170 (for SUD). (Instructions are located on BHRS Intranet – QS TAB/Additional Resources). In addition, be sure to sign the sign-in sheet for these activities.

Respectfully Submitted By: Michele Benedix; Administrative Clerk III