

Stanislaus County Department: Behavioral Health and Recovery Services MINUTES

' '	Cultural Competence, Equity and Social Justice Committee (CCESJC)			October 12, 2020
Zoom			Starting Time:	9:00 am
Ruben Imperial			Ending Time:	10:23am
Behavioral Health & Recovery Services Departments Committee			Collaboratives / Community Based Organizations	Community Representatives
Behavioral Health & Rec Abraham Andres, Adult/Older Adult System of Care and CCESJC Executive Committee Adylene Villasenor, Child Welfare Alicia Rivera, Utilization Management Bernadet Kaldani, Training Cherie Dockery, Senior Leadership Candiss Trew, Human Resources Carlie Amacher, Training Dalia Perez-Deniz, Leaps Daniel Brown, Genesis Edgar Moya, Data Management Services / Performance Measures Estefania Carrazco, Estate Management Office Eugene Del Franco, Employment Gabriela Mungia, Quality Services Griselda Calderon, School Based Services Gloria Vargas, Medical Records Janet Nunez-Pineda, Prevention & Early Intervention		Mayra Mendoza, Mental Health Services Act, CCESJC Executive Committee Melissa Ayson, Volunteer Office Melissa Farris, Family Advocate Melissa McCay, Children's System of Care Miranda Chalabi, DOTS Nasrin Safi, Quality Services Patricia Mireles, BHS StanWorks Rebecca Clover, Behavioral Health Board Robyn Grayson, Patient's Rights Ruben Imperial, Senior Leadership, CCESJC Executive Committee, Sponsor Saroun Moun-Eldrige, SRC Shellie Martinez, Children's, Josie's Place Tameika Easter-Griffin, SED Travis Whitehead, SRC Outpatient Valerie Van Tuinen, Family Partner Ship and SED	Based Organizations Albert Gonzalez, Leticia Vasquez, Jaime Soto, Summer Hillas-Buck, Telecare Alyssa Baker, Nirvana Treatment Institution Brenda Estrada Ramirez, Turning Point Bryan Clarke, The Last Resort Crystal Thed Ford, Nirvana Treatment Institution Christina Kenney, Turning Point Pernando Granados, Sierra Vista HP Tan, Turning Point Jamie Nard, Turning Point Jessica Nila, HPSJ Jessica Borelli, AspiraNet John Aguirre, LGBTQA Collaborative Laura Urzua, Central Star Maria Lopez, Center for Human Services Monica Bahr, Center for Human Services Pao Lee, The Bridge Perfecto Munoz, West Modesto Collaborative Robert Thompson, Nirvana Treatment Institution Selene Flores, Aegis Treatment Center Virginia Linker, Turning Point,	
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Approval of Minutes Covid-19 Impact on Diverse Populations: Mental Health Client Retention by Ethnicity All	Ruben Imperial called the meeting to order. September's minutes were approved with no corrections. Abraham presented Mental Health Client Retention by Ethnicity for Fiscal Year 2019/2020. This data is broken down by ethnicity and quarter. It provides information about unique Medi-Cal clients that have received three or more services within six months after the assignment opening. This report is important as it allows BHRS to determine if there are disparities in terms of ethnicity, and systematically determine what are the factors contributing to disparities and possible approaches to the issues. CCESJC member John Aguirre highlighted that the report did not include data on LGBTQ communities. He stated that AB-677 requires counties to collect and report on LGBTQ population data. Ruben Imperial stated that the department does collect the data, and is working towards including the data in the department's various standard reports. The Client Retention by Ethnicity	CCESJC members share and review data with their programs, and ask for any insight or feedback on client	
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	report is part of multiple reports developed as part of the Medi-Cal audit process. Ruben requested that CCESJC members share the data with their respective programs and inquire on how their program is doing in retaining diverse communities and come prepared to share the information/insight at the next meeting. The committee will take this information and work towards developing recommendations on how the department could improve retention rates for diverse communities.	retention.	
Trainings & Telehealth Guidance Memos Provided for Covid-19 Bernadet Kaldani	Numerous trainings have been developed to provide staff with the tools and resources to use Telehealth. These trainings are online and allow more flexibility for staff enrollment. Bernadet reviewed with the committee Telehealth Best Therapeutic Practices and Interventions, Telehealth Case Management & Psychosocial Rehabilitation Strategies & Interventions, MSHOAC's Best Practices in Delivering Virtual Counseling, and the Cultural Formulation Interview Slides (See attached). Ruben reviewed the MHSOAC's Best Practices in Delivering Tailored Telemedicine and Best Practices in Delivering Virtual Peer Support guidance documents. (See attached). Members were asked to share and review the guidance documents with their programs and coordinators, and to share the telehealth trainings and tools available to staff. Members were also asked to be prepared to share the insight and feedback from their programs at next month's meeting to discuss concrete and actionable ideas the department should be doing to ensure it is retaining clients continuing to provide access in a timely manner. Experts agree that the delivery of telehealth provides very similar outcomes to those that are provided in person. It is important for staff to be familiar with the technology in order to have the capacity to walk the clients through, this helps provide a sense of comfort. Staff should understand the legal and ethical components of telehealth. Bernadet discussed features provided in telehealth such as: screen sharing, two-way cameras, games, and a whiteboard feature. BHRS staff can access these trainings and additional guidance resources on the intranet under the Training tab, and on the extranet for contract staff. For more information contact the Training Department at: (209) 525-6081.	CCESJC members share and review the best practice guidance on telehealth service, and ask for any insight or feedback on how telehealth services are going for diverse communities.	

If you haven't already signed up for CAMHPRO highlighting Stanislaus County's Peer Recovery Art Project and other County partners, please sign up on the website https://camhpro.org/category/stanislaus-county-peer-recovery-art-project/
Wellness Recovery Center is offering in person peer support by appointment only at Granger Community Center. Staff will be available Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 8am-12pm. Please make an appointment by calling 558-4610. Masks are required and Covid-19 safety guidelines will be implemented. Spanish peer support groups will be available Fridays at 1pm. Zoom peer support will continue daily.
Drop the Drugs event on October 24 th , 10am-2pm located at the Stanislaus County Superior Court House, 800 11 th Street Modesto. The drop off will be available on the I Street side. For more information contact BHRS at 525-5315.

Next Meeting:

November 9, 2020

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.

The Cultural Competence, Equity and Social Justice Committee meets on the second Monday of each month from 9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m., unless otherwise indicated.

For more information on the Committee or past/future meetings, please visit: http://www.stancounty.com/bhrs/cultural-ethnic.shtm

Respectfully Submitted By: Mayra Mendoza

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