

## Stanislaus County Department: Behavioral Health and Recovery Services MINUTES

Type of Meeting:	Cultural Competence, Equ	uity, and Social Justice Com	Date:	November 8, 2021	
Place:	Zoom / Redwood Room		Starting Time:	9:00 am	
Facilitators:	Ruben Imperial		Ending Time:	10:30 am	
Place:	Ruben Imperial  Behavioral Health & Recovery Services Department Committee	, ,		9:00 am	
				☐ Walter Brown, Peer	

Order of Agenda Items	Presenter(s)	Discussion	Scheduled Actions	Person(s) Responsible	Target Date
Welcome & Introductions	All	Ruben Imperial called the meeting to order.			
Approval of Minutes	All	October minutes approved with no corrections.			
Updates	Ruben Imperial	Ruben discussed the new CCESJC Roster. An email will go out asking if current members would like to be representative of a particular constituency. The meeting will still be open to the public to attend, however, we want to make sure that we have the right community representation to help us think through some of the issues we are working on.  Ruben let everyone know that we are close to finalizing the new MHSA Stakeholder roster. Once the roster is finalized, it will be brought to CCESJC for additional input and to ensure we have a broad and diverse representation. We plan to have a new member orientation before the end of the year.  Ruben announced that the Ethnic Services Manager recruitment interviews will continue through November. We are hoping to make a selection and have a new manager by December or January.  Ruben shared that he is working with the Sheriff's office and the Modesto Police Dept on our new Mobile Crisis Response services. This will be an alternative to sending out law enforcement when responding to individuals in a mental health crisis. We are currently looking at other models within the state and hope to have an update soon.			
Diversity Awareness Calendar	Ruben Imperial	Ruben announced that we will be developing a Diversity Awareness Calendar, with the help of the CCESJC Committee. We will add an item to the regular agenda to review any upcoming religious and ethnic holidays, and diversity awareness and inclusion observances, and make sure we have a conversation about how BHRS and our partners can observe and recognize these important events. We want to focus on the events that are connected to our populations and the particular issues that are going on in our communities.  Tameika shared her email address and asked that if anyone has anything to add to the calendar, to please reach out to her.			
CCESJC Input on Program Development Process • SAMSHA Grant Award: Community Crisis & Support Team	Ruben Imperial	Ruben explained the CCESJC Program Development process and discussed the new Brief Intervention Counseling Team (BICT) Program, which will enable BHRS to support the delivery of clinical services impacted by the pandemic and effectively address the needs of individuals with serious emotional disturbance. The SAMSHA Grant will be used for this.  Breakout groups for discussion.  What did you hear? What did you like? What questions do you have?	Questions will be discussed at our next meeting.	All	

		<ul> <li>The following questions were asked:</li> <li>What will be the role of the collaboratives and the peers in this process?</li> <li>Why is there a peer listed as an employee of the team as a paid position?</li> </ul>			
		<ul><li>Will this program also target SUD services?</li><li>Will this be for all ages or only adults?</li></ul>			
Consumer/Family Input	All	Questions asked:  How would we make sure that people who are disabled, in wheelchairs, or visually impaired get services?  Can you report on how the peer network group is going? What are some of their challenges? What kind of support do they need from the community, and from other peers in the community?	Questions will be discussed at our next meeting.	All	
Announcements	All	Jessica: Wellness Center is open for peer support groups and offers different activities throughout the day. We are currently on 9th Street and open Mon – Fri 8 to 5. Everyone 18 and older is welcome.  Carmen: Wanted to share the successful collaboration with IRC and HSA for the mobile vaccine clinics in Sept and Oct. This led to a conversation with IRC on collaborating on a mental health symposium for refugees, to make sure they feel welcome and know that they have resources in the community.  Annie: SAACR had 151 people vaccinated at the Asian Market on October 30. They will continue with monthly clinics.  Big Valley Grace is having a Veteran's Night on November 9th from 5 to 8:30.  John: I want to invite everyone to our new LGBTQ Collaborative drop in advocacy center at 1202 H St., Ste B. We also can be reached at 209-408-8848. Hours are Mon–Fri 10 to 6, Saturday 12 to 5. We currently have a contract with the state for a local emergency rental assistance program to assist consumers in the application process.  Anita: The NAMI Support group, Connections, meets every Monday night from 6 to 8. The call in number is 1-669-900-6833, the meeting ID is 433 839 0491, passcode is 421013	Email flyers and handouts to all members	Michele	

**Next Meeting: December 13, 2021** 

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: Michele Benedix, Administrative Clerk III