

**Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health
Behavioral Health Advisory Board**

Minutes of the Regular Meeting

Thursday, May 9, 2024

5:00 p.m.

1. **Call to Order**

Chair Esemann called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m. and welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. **Roll Call**

The following members were in attendance: Lesley Clarkson, Chair Heather Esemann, Jay Kaze, Renick House, Supervisor Don Blaser and Mary Page.

Excused: Maggie Walker, Vice Chair Manny Cardoza, and Wendell Peters

Absent: Supervisor Nicholas Micheli

Also, in attendance: Rick Bingham, HHS Assistant Director; Bill Harris Jr., Bruce Adams, James Moralez, Yuba County Deputy Chief Probation Officer; Brent Hungrige, Yuba County Probation Program Manager; Mark Bontrager, Behavioral Health Administrator, Partnership HealthPlan of California; Dr. Jeffrey DeVido, Partnership Health Plan of California; Dr. Phuong Luu, Sutter/Yuba Health Officer; Karen Sangston, Executive Secretary, Sutter County; and, Sue Hopper, Administrative Assistant, Sutter County.

3. **Public Comment:** Mr. Adams and Mr. Harris introduced themselves.

4. **Action Items:**

- a. **Approve April 11, 2024, Meeting Minutes** - Member House moved to approve the April 11, 2024, Meeting Minutes as submitted. The motion was seconded by Member Clarkson.

Aye votes: Esemann, Clarkson, Kaze, House, Page and Blaser.

Nay votes: None

Abstentions: None

- b. **Review and Adopt Revisions to Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws** – Ms. Hopper clarified that the revisions included membership requirements outlined in Article IV, Section A. Member House moved to approve the Revisions to the Behavioral Health Advisory Board Bylaws. The motion was seconded by Member Clarkson.

Aye votes: Esemann, Clarkson, Kaze, House, Page and Blaser.

Nay votes: None

Abstentions: None

- c. **Review and Approve Application from Bill Harris Jr. to fill the At-Large position for Yuba County.** Member House moved to approve the application for Mr. Bill Harris Jr. to fill the Yuba County At-Large seat. The motion was seconded by Member Clarkson.

Aye votes: Esemann, Clarkson, Kaze, House, Page and Blaser.

Nay votes: None

Abstentions: None

5. Program Presentation

- a. **Camp Singer/Probation** – James Moralez, Deputy Chief Probation Officer and Brent Hungrige, Probation Program Manager. Mr. Moralez and Mr. Hungrige reported on the following:
- Reviewed Yuba County Probation Business Summary 2023
 - Tri-County Juvenile Rehabilitation Campus consists of the Tri-County Youth Development Center (YDC) and the Maxine Singer Youth Guidance Center (MSYGC).
 - The YDC primarily provides detention services to youth pending disposition in Juvenile Court; whereas the MSYGC is a post-dispositional program designed to address youths' maladaptive behaviors while working towards community re-entry.
 - Population served is any youth aged 12-25 who fall under the jurisdiction of the Juvenile Court pursuant to Section 602 of the Welfare and Institutions Code.
 - In 2023, 91.3% of MSYGC youth successfully completed the program.
 - Construction on a new juvenile facility is complete – pending inspection clearance.
- b. **Partnership HealthPlan** – Mark Bontrager, Behavioral Health Administrator and Dr. Jeffrey Devido, Behavioral Health Clinical Director. Mr. Bontrager and Dr. Devido presented on the following:
- Partnership HealthPlan is a non-profit, County Organized Health System serving the Medi-Cal population in 24 counties in Northern California.
 - During 2023, representing approximately 14 counties, there were 630,000 members utilizing services through Partnership HealthPlan. Of those, approximately 60,000 utilized Mental Health Services and/or Specialty Mental Health Services. Approximately 1/3 of these services were provided via Telehealth visits, per client request.
 - Approximately 90% of primary care services delivered by a Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC's) are Tribal providers and a number of them have integrated Behavioral Health services.
 - Partnership has implemented a Mental Health Quality Incentive Program (QIP). Sites were incentivized to get clients to complete screenings at each visit. Program is in year three. Over the course of six months participants reported a reduction in symptoms, decrease in pain, etc. A final report will be distributed within the next few months.
 - Partnership also offers treatment for eating disorders.

- Children and Youth Behavioral Health Initiative (CYBHI) is a historic, five-year, \$4.7 billion initiative to reimagine and transform the way California supports children, youth, and families. This initiative focuses on promoting mental, emotional, and behavioral health and well-being of children.
- Behavioral Health Continuum Infrastructure Program (BHCIP) – Round 6, theoretically will create 2600 inpatient and residential beds throughout the State.
- Student Behavioral Health Incentive Program (SBHIP) – three-year project for Managed Care Plans (MCP’s) to partner with schools. In Sutter County goal is to expand Behavior Health Workforce and expand/enhance care teams. In Yuba County goal is to expand/enhance Behavior Health Wellness Programs.
- CYBHI – all health plans will reimburse for “school-linked” behavioral health services beginning in 2024.
- State is issuing capacity grants for schools to “get up to speed” for CYBHI. Sutter County allocation is \$1,588,000 and Yuba County allocation is \$973,000.
- Substance Use Disorder Treatment Services – Drug Medi-Cal Organized Delivery System. Expanded substance use disorder treatment benefit under Medi-Cal. Includes residential treatment. Uses a tool from the American Society of Addiction Medicine (ASM) to objectively screen individuals to different levels of care. Counties can opt-in (or out) across the state.
- Partnership HealthPlan established a “regional model” that allowed counties to band together for Drug Medi-Cal services and Partnership acts as the administrator, allowing smaller counties with limited resources to opt-in to this program.
- 5, 222 members accessed Substance Use Disorder Services through the Partnership regional model in 2023.

6. **MHSA Program Update** – No updates provided.

7. **Behavioral Health Director’s Report** – Mr. Bingham will report during the June meeting.

8. **New Business**

- a. Program Presentation Selection for June 13, 2024
 - Requested a list of current service/contracted providers for Sutter-Yuba Behavioral Health.
 - FSP/LPS Services – serves the conserved population – will reach out to see if they can present for July 2024 – will also invite the Public Guardian’s for each county.
 - No program presentation for June 2024.

9. **Old Business** – none addressed.

10. **Other Announcements/Correspondence** – none addressed.

- a. Pathways 50th Celebration and Resource Fair – informational only.

b. May is Mental Health Awareness Month - informational only.

11. **Adjournment** - There being no further business brought forward Chair Esemann thanked everyone for their participation and adjourned the meeting at 6:41 p.m.