



FRESNO COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH BOARD

Wednesday, **September 18**, 2024, at 3:30pm

1925 E. Dakota Fresno, CA 93726

Minutes

<u>MEMBERS PRESENT</u>	<u>DEPARTMENT OF BEHAVIORAL HEALTH</u>	<u>MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC</u>
Manuel Piceno MaryLou Brauti-Minkler Carolyn Evans David Thorne Debbie Xiong Elizabeth Kus Angel Lopez Kyle Pennington	Susan Holt, <i>Director</i> Tina Young Jeannette Dominguez	Renee Stilson Amber Molina Jazmine Rocha Wendy Broughton Tim C. Ana Monreal Fidel Garibay Jacqui Cavallaro Maijoua Vang Alicia Austin Townsend Anthony Moreno Felix Rodriguez Adriana Zaragoza Antonio Guerrero
<u>MEMBERS ABSENT</u> Brooke Frost		
<u>BOARD OF SUPERVISORS</u> Sal Quintero, <i>Supervisor</i>		

I. Welcome

Vice Chair Manny Piceno filled in to Chair the meeting and called it to order at 3:32 p.m.

II. Approval of Minutes from the July and August Behavioral Health Board (BHB) meetings

The draft Minutes for July were approved as written. Upon completion of a few suggested edits, the drafted August meeting minutes were also approved.

III. Department of Behavioral Health (DBH) Update; *Director, Susan Holt*

Select pages of the PowerPoint are attached in PDF format.

Director Susan Holt began her presentation with the monthly acknowledgements for September. While September has many nationally acknowledged days related to behavioral health, it is commonly known for being National Suicide Prevention Month and National Recovery Month.

A. General Updates: DBH Events, Board of Supervisors (BOS) items and legislation

Events taking place in September with DBH participation:

September 10th – Proclamations with the BOS, one for Recovery month and one for Suicide Prevention month

September 28th – SoberStock 19 (Celebrating sobriety and open to the public)
Out of Darkness Community Walks (Remembrance of loved ones lost to death by suicide)
see attached for more information on both events.

Board of Supervisors Select Items of Note

See the attached for items from DBH that will be on the Board of Supervisors Agenda Calendar for September 10th and 24th.

Legislative Updates – Select Items of Note

September 30th is a key date remaining in the Summer/ fall timeline for the Legislative Process, as it is the last day for the Governor to sign or veto a bill. During this year's legislative session, DBH tracked 220 bills that had a connection to behavioral health and that would / could have an impact on behavioral health. Session will reconvene on December 2nd, and the Department will take a deeper dive into the legislative bills and present items to the BHB that may have an effect on behavioral health. *Please see attached for a highlight of a bills currently pending action.*

Suicide Data

There were nine deaths by suicide that were reported for July 2024 as of August 5th, 2024. It was also mentioned that during the time of COVID, Fresno County's number of deaths by suicide remained relatively the same which was unique in comparison to other counties.

B. Overview of TURN Behavioral Health, Full-Service Partnership (FSP) IMPACT Program

Since June of 2014 DBH has had a 10-year service partnership with TURN Behavioral Health, formerly known as Mental Health Systems. Executive Leadership and Program Management attended the meeting and were acknowledged by Director Susan Holt for the job well done over the years of working together.

The IMPACT programs target population is Adults, Older Adults with dual diagnosis of severe mental health and substance use disorders. With low staff to client ratio the program has a multidisciplinary team available 24-hour / 7days a week to assist individuals with the following services.

- Therapeutic interventions, medication management / monitoring, psychiatry
- case management, supportive housing services, vocational rehabilitation, comprehensive outpatient, and community services

While each individual receives services from the multidisciplinary team, they each have an assigned Personal Service Coordinator who acts as a single point of responsibility for coordinating services and supports. Each program and all multidisciplinary team members practice the embedded five core MHSA concepts of:

- Recovery/resiliency
- Cultural competence
- Community collaboration
- Person served/family driven
- Integrated service experiences

Please see attached for the Outcome data for the program.

C. Update on the transition of the new Patient Rights Advocate

On March 15, 2024, the agreement DBH had with the previous Patients' Rights Advocate (PRA) was ended and a short-term purchase agreement was started with the Smith Waters Group Inc., a well-known PRA service provider for several other counties. Within this agreement the services include and are not limited to, mandated services, certification review hearings, mental health facility monitoring, training with education/mental health law.

PRA data pulled for the last quarter:

- June 2024 – 117 Hearings held, and 191 person served contacts.
- July 2024 – 151 Hearings held, and 188 Person served contacts.
- August 2024 – 151 Hearings held, and 191 person served contacts.

During this transition of PRA providers, the department will continue to focus on orienting the PRA with partner organizations and their relationship development to aim for collaborative problem solving and future service monitoring with data collection. Meanwhile the Request for Proposal is in development to create an agreement and take to the BOS.

IV. Public Comment

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V. Old Business

- August Site Visit report - TURN Behavioral Health Services – IMPACT Program
 - Item tabled for the October BHB meeting.

VI. New Business

- A. Discussion of revised Bylaws
 - Item tabled for October meeting.
- B. Action Item – Vote on Revised Bylaws
 - Item tabled for October meeting.
- C. September Site Visit – The Fresno Center, Living Well / Holistic Wellness Programs
 - The BHB completed a site visit at the Fresno Centers Living Well and Holistic Wellness Programs. More information will be provided at October meeting.

VII. Sub-Committee Updates

- Adult Services Committee – Did not meet in September. The next meeting is October 7th, and the Committee will receive information about the Reading and Beyond Family Advocates program.
- Children’s Services Committee – The Childrens Services Committee last met on August 22nd and heard from the DBH Perinatal Wellness program. The Committee will meet again on October 24th.
- Forensics Services Committee – The Committee met on September 6th and received information pertaining to CalAIM upcoming changes for justice involved individuals.
- Substance Use Disorder Committee – Met on September 12th and heard from BAART – Cartwright on the SAMHSA rules and regulations for take home medication.

VIII. Public Comment

None

IX. Adjournment

4:35 PM

This meeting is open to the public under the Ralph M. Brown Act

Upcoming Events - September 28, 2024

- American Foundation for Suicide Prevention -
Out of the Darkness Community Walks
 - Walkers On-Site Registration Starts: 9:00 a.m.
 - Program starts: 10:00 a.m.
 - Location: Woodward Park, 7775 N Friant Rd (North Fresno)
 - <https://afsp.org/chapter/central-valley-california>
- SoberStock 19
 - Event is open to the public 8 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
 - Location: Eaton Plaza, 2430 Fresno Street (downtown Fresno)
 - <https://www.facebook.com/CommunityPartners4Recovery/>



Contracts/Board Agenda - Select Items of Note

- September 10th

- Agreement with State Center Community College District (Fresno City College), to provide students with supervised clinical and field experience through County programs
- Amendment IV to Master Agreement with various long-term care facilities to modify bed hold rates and update bed hold language
- Grant application to the California Department of State Hospitals for the Felony Incompetent to Stand Trial Infrastructure Grant Program Application for up to \$13,125,000 for diversion and/or community-based restoration programs
- Participation Agreement with the California Mental Health Services Authority for the Evaluation of Community Services and Support initiatives
- Amendment I to Master Lease Agreement with RH Community Builders to better clarify scope of services and care coordination functions

- September 24th

- Master County to County Short-Term Residential Therapeutic Program (STRTP) Agreement to implement presumptive transfer changes



Legislative Updates - Select Items of Note

- Legislative process - remaining key dates in timeline summer/fall:
 - September 30 - Last day for the governor to sign or veto bills
 - December 2 - Session reconvenes
- During this year's legislative session, we tracked 220 bills with a connection to or impact behavioral health
- Highlights of a few bills pending action:
 - SB1238 (Eggman) - LPS Designated Facilities
 - AB 2106 (McCarty) - Coerced SUD Treatment as a condition of probation
 - AB 1842 (Reyes) and AB 2115 (Haney) - Medication Assisted Treatment
 - SB 26 (Umberg) - CARE Scholarship Program
 - SB 1400 (Stern) - Removes statutory authority for a court to dismiss a case without first considering other programs like CARE Court
 - Expands data required to be reported by County under CARE report
 - Note this bill was amended at the eleventh hour



Program Review - Fresno Impact Full Service Partnership (FSP)

- Dates of Operation: 06-2014 - Current
- Reporting Period: July 1, 2022- June 30, 2023
- Program Budget: \$2,656,429
- Program Actual Expenditures: \$2,520,053.48
- Number of Unique Individuals Served: 142
- Cost per Individual: \$17,746.85



Program Outcome Highlights FY22/23

- **Target goal: 75% reduction in hospitalizations, incarcerations, homelessness, crisis visits**
 - Arrest- 80% experienced a reduction in arrests.
 - Incarceration- 80% experienced a reduction in incarceration.
 - Homelessness- 34% experienced a reduction in homelessness.
 - Hospitalization & crisis visits- 80% reduction in the number experiencing psychiatric hospitalization or crisis visits.
 - Psychiatric hospital days- 80% of consumers experienced a reduction in psychiatric hospitalization days.
- **Target goal: provide services to 140 unique individuals**
 - Number of unique individuals served: 138, with 80.4% remaining engaged in services 6 months or more

