

Contra Costa County Mental Health Commission
Thursday ♦ April 24, 2008 ♦ 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Concord Police Dept. Community Room ♦ 1350 Galindo Street, Concord

The Mental Health Commission will provide reasonable accommodations for persons with disabilities planning to participate in Commission meetings who contact Executive Assistant Karen Shuler at least 48 hrs. prior to the meeting at 925-372-4439.

AGENDA

1. 4:30 Call to Order/Introductions
2. 4:35 Public Comment. The public may comment on any item of public interest within the jurisdiction of the Mental Health Commission. In the interest of time and equal opportunity, speakers are requested to observe a 3-minute time limit (subject to change at the discretion of the Chairperson). In accordance with the Brown Act, if a member of the public addresses an item not on the posted agenda, no response, discussion, or action on the item may occur. Time will be provided for Public Comment on items on the posted Agenda as they occur during the meeting.
3. 4:40 Announcements
 - Villa Vasconcellos: Public Grand Opening, Wednesday, April 23 from 4-6 p.m.
4. 4:45 Approval of the Minutes from March 27, 2008.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
Approval of the Minutes from April 17, 2008
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
5. 4:50 Interim Co-Chairs' Report – Scott Singley and Judy Cahon
 - Approve final wording of “May is Mental Health Month” proclamation.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
 - Establish an Ad Hoc Committee, Task Force or Sub-Committee to meet on a regular basis with administrative personnel at the Contra Costa Regional Medical Center.
Appoint Membership to that Committee.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
 - Follow-up on Bylaws Committee/Task Force.
 - Review 2008/09 Budget Reductions (All cuts in all departments that may impact mental health consumers)
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM
 - Entertain a motion to encouraging ongoing collaboration between Local 1 and Mental Health Administration during discussions regarding cuts in staffing.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.

- Develop a means by which consumers, families, staff, providers, contractors, etc. can be kept up-to-date and informed thoroughly about the budget cuts and how it will impact them.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM

6. 5:05 Report: Mental Health Director —Donna Wigand, LCSW

- Update on the budget process.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM

7. 5:25 Committee Reports

Executive Committee

- Status of Vacancies:
 - District I: Consumer Representative (accepting applications)
 - District II: No vacancies
 - District III: Consumer Representative (accepting applications)
 - District IV: Consumer Representative (accepting applications)
 - District V: Consumer Representative, Family Member, Member-at Large (application process is closed)
- Recommendation for appointment.

- District III

Lee Tullis (Consumer)

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM

Adult & Transitional Age Youth Committee.

- In light of an incident brought to the attention of the Committee, send a letter to the Executive Director of Contra Costa Animal Control requesting additional training of staff and administrative personnel regarding current policy on reduction of fees and waivers, and request that a mental health professional be brought in to assist in training regarding dealing in a sensitive manner toward people with disabilities.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.

- Request that representatives from Crestwood Healing Center, Mental Health Administration, and Protection & Advocacy, Inc. approach the Pleasant Hill Planning Commission to readdress the restrictions for placing clients at Crestwood four years ago.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.

- Change a 2008 Focus Goal from support of the implementation of AB1421 in CC County to support of SB1606.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.

Justice System Committee

- Review Health Services proposal that all health and mental health services at all County detention facilities be provided by private sector firm(s). Make recommendations to the Board of Supervisors.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.

Children's Committee

- Review and make recommendations regarding services to AB3632 children in relation to proposed \$2.6 million in cuts to MediCal eligible children

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.

- Review cuts to Children’s Services, especially as they relate to East Contra Costa and make recommendations regarding possible alternatives or actions to mitigate the impact of the cuts.

DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.

Older Adult Committee

- In place of the regular meeting, a Celebration Brunch was held to honor former Commissioner and Committee Chairperson Bettye Randle.
- Bettye’s service to the Commission will be acknowledged by John Gioia in a presentation at the Board of Supervisor’s meeting May 6. The Commission will also be presenting a plaque to her. Commissioners are encouraged to attend.

8. 6:15 Reports: Ancillary Boards/Commissions
Contractor’s Alliance
California Mental Health Boards/Commissions (CALMHB/C)
California Institute for Mental Health (CIMH)
Mental Health Coalition
9. 6:25 Future Agenda Items
10. 6:30 Adjourn meeting.