

**INYO COUNTY HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
WEDNESDAY, April 13, 2022
2:30 pm**

**Offered In Person at 1360 North Main Street, Suite 103
and Virtually via Zoom**

Minutes

Call To Order/Welcome

The Meeting was called to order at 2:33 pm

Attendance:

In Person: Michelle Saenz Lynn Martin Supervisor Dan Totheroh

Community & Staff Present

In Person: Kimball Pier Lisa Trunnell Marilyn Mann
Vanessa Ruggio

Virtual: Jennifer Ray Lisa Trunnell Lucy Vincent
Shelley Scott Mridini Vijay Jean Bigham
Sarah Downard Laura Childers

PUBLIC COMMENT

This item is set-aside at each meeting to allow the public to address issues not on the agenda. No action can be taken, but items can be placed on future agendas.

Mridini Vijay, an intern with CALBHB, shared the newsletter.

Lisa Trunnell inquired as to whether a future BHAB meeting could be held at the Lone Pine Wellness Center.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Request Board approve minutes from March 9, 2022 meeting. Ms. Martin asked for a vote to approve minutes. Minutes unanimously approved by vote:
Ms. Martin – Aye; Supervisor Totheroh – Aye; Ms. Saenz – Aye

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INFORMATIONAL AND ACTION ITEMS

1. IMACA Status Report. Ms. Mann shared an update. IMACA will no longer administrate Coordination of Care effective this coming Friday. Inyo County HHS will support other agencies who pursue available housing grants.
2. Director Update –
 - Crisis response protocols update: Dr. Pier shared that the updated protocol has been reviewed by community partners. She is awaiting feedback. Finalized protocols will be distributed to all. Challenges with transportation and other concerns were brought up and a lively discussion ensued. Resources, peer training and other resources were discussed.
 - Dr. Pier mentioned the weekly meeting where staff collaborate to provide a system of care for persons who are in jail, and to support them as they re-integrate into the community. Ms. Saenz said she would like to participate.
 - Multi-agency meeting regarding justice-involved individuals with chronic mental illness. Dr. Pier told the group about her efforts to coordinate a multi-agency inter-departmental meeting on what it means to provide mental health diversion. One goal is to identify gaps and work toward best meeting the needs to help persons succeed. She explained that people can request diversion instead of going to jail. Participants agree to certain terms, which can include SUD treatment, parenting classes, and/or behavioral health services as identified.
3. “Kids who slip through the cracks” – Latinx – topic was tabled (person was not in attendance)
4. NAMI Organization and Family Support Group Information – Ms. Trunnell made a presentation. Please see attachment for reference.
5. Mental Health Awareness Month – Ms. Mann reported back that the flag and banners have been ordered. Several persons are working on articles for the newspaper. A picture of the BHAB members and a picture of Mr. Cooper, who provided the artwork for the flag and banners, will also be in the paper. Ms. Mann to call the editor of the Inyo County Register to discuss the flag raising. Ms. Martin expressed gratitude for Ms. Mann’s assistance on behalf of the BHAB members.

AGENDA ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

- 1) 988 Number Implementation – Ms. Saenz

The meeting adjourned at 4:11 p.m.

Next meeting: Wednesday, June 8, 2022, at 2:30 pm.

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