



Monthly Committee Recording Tool

Meeting Date: March 5, 2015

Committee Name: Mental Health

Committee Co-Chairs: Betsy Pfromm & Dr. Jack Barbour

Second District Staff: Kathleen Austria

Recorder: César Portillo

Please attach a copy of the sign-in sheet.

Discussion notes (include topics of interest, review of old business, and presentation notes, if applicable):

1. County's Consolidated Health Agency Proposal & Empowerment Congress Mental Health Committee White Paper
 - a. The new Board of Supervisors motion formalizes the stakeholder process and timeline.
 - b. The draft report will be available to the public on March 31st, followed by a 45-day public comment period, and the final report will be due to the Board of Supervisors on June 30th.
 - c. A committee member suggested having a consumer-only meeting with Dr. Christina Ghaly to discuss the proposal.
 - d. We must ensure mental health funds stay with mental health services, and not migrate to other purposes, such as to offset hospital deficits.
 - e. Perhaps the consolidated health agency could streamline paperwork through a coordinating role.
 - f. Betsy Pfromm distributed her "Proposal to Board of Supervisors regarding Consolidation of the Departments of Health Services, Public Health, and Mental Health" to the committee.
 - g. The Empowerment Congress Mental Health Committee White Paper asserts the need to coordinate mental health and primary care services.
2. South LA Trauma-Informed Community Initiative Convening
 - a. The committee plans to have a convening within the next few months.
 - b. The committee formed a subcommittee that will organize this convening.
 - c. Committee members had the opportunity to sign up to join the subcommittee, which will meet before the next committee meeting.
3. Meeting and Focus Groups with Public Safety & Justice Committee to follow up on "Defining and Development a Community Plan for Diversion" Workshop
 - a. Related to diversion, the committee reviewed and endorsed, with an amendment, the South LA Reintegration Council's (SLARC's) "Position Paper on Expanding Service Provider Capacity in Service Area 6."



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- b. The position paper requests meetings with Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, District Attorney Jackie Lacey, DMH Director Dr. Marv Southard, and DHS Director Dr. Mitch Katz to help ensure Service Area 6 receives a fair funding allocation of the Mental Health Jail Diversion initiative and the Health Neighborhood Innovations II initiative, which total \$40 million combined.
4. Next Meeting: April 2, 2015 at 12:00 noon at the Los Angeles Child Guidance Clinic’s University Park Office (3031 S. Vermont Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90007)

Announcement:

- International Working Women’s Day Action – Mar. 8
- Demilitarize LAUSD Community Rights Campaign – Mar. 14
- Affordable Care Act’s Open Enrollment Period

Next Steps:

Action Item	Person(s) Responsible	Due Date
Email the draft report on the County’s consolidated health agency proposal to the committee	César	Apr. 1
Email information on the 45-day public comment period to the committee	César	Apr. 1
Meet to start organizing the South LA Trauma-Informed Community Initiative Convening	Subcommittee	Apr. 1