

# Sacramento County Human Services Coordinating Council

## Meeting Minutes

November 10, 2016

### Meeting Location

Dept. of Human Assistance  
2700 Fulton Ave  
Sacramento, CA. 95821  
Conference Room 58

**Facilitator:** Addie Ellie – Chair

**Staffed by:** Jerri Thompson

### Meeting Attendees:

- HSCC Members – Melinda Avey, Ernie Brown, Addie Ellis, Paula Green, Randy Hicks, Sandra Jackson, Collette Johnson-Schulke, Leslie Julianel, Raymond Kemp, Len Marowitz, Paul Tanner
- Ex-officio Members and Liaisons/Department Heads – Colleen Miller (DHA), Sherri Z. Heller (DHHS)
- Guests – Tracey Dickinson, Peter Tateishi

### Absent Members:

- Rosemary Jones, Paul Lake, Robert Silva Jr.

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Topic	Minutes
Call to Order/Introductions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair called the meeting to order and introductions were made.</li> </ul>
Approval of October 13, 2016 Minutes	Approval of October 13, 2016 Minutes: Randy Hicks motioned to approve, Raymond Kemp seconded, Randy Hicks, Melinda Avey and Addie Ellis Abstained; Minutes Approved.
Chair's Report	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chair provided a recap of the November 1 Heroes of Human Services Awards Ceremony and then invited other attendees of the event to provide their thoughts on the inspiring event. Group thanked Sherri for her wonderful job emceeding the ceremony again this year.</li> <li>• 2017 Work Plan Retreat: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Date: Thursday, January 12, 2017 in lieu of regular scheduled meeting</li> <li>▪ Location: Sierra Health Foundation, Garden HWY</li> <li>▪ Time: Noon – 3:00pm</li> <li>▪ Menus for a catered lunch by Plates Café were provided to the group</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Chair and Ernie Brown participated in interviews with the Chiefs for the one open HSCC Community seat. The two applicants were also being interviewed by Adult and Aging Commission and the Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board at the same time. If the Chiefs of Staff decide to appoint them to one of the Member Advisory Boards (MAB) instead of the HSCC they could in turn fill the open MAB seat on the HSCC.</li> <li>• December meeting will be a Potluck. Group was encouraged to bring a dish to share and provide their own beverage.</li> </ul>
Special Presentation: Sacramento Metro Chamber	<p>Peter Tateishi, President and CEO of the Sacramento Metro Chamber, presented to the group. He shared with the group that he, himself, served on several member advisory boards including the Children's Coalition, the Public Health Advisory Board, and the HSCC. The experience and knowledge he gained from being on the boards helps him still today in his present job. He was glad to see folks on the council today that he had the pleasure of working with back then and said he appreciated their dedication and commitment to the boards and council.</p> <p>Peter provided a follow up update from his presentation given a year ago to the HSCC on the following two issues the Sacramento Metro Chamber has been working on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Homeless issue/lack of housing available/mental health</li> <li>○ Transit</li> </ul> <p>Following the presentation Q &amp; A and discussion ensued with the group.</p> <p>Chair asked Peter how can the HSCC assist, he said with the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Engagement – Help engage all of the organizations – Bring others to the table</li> </ul> <p>Visit the Sacramento Metro Chamber website at the link below for more information: <a href="http://www.metrochamber.org">www.metrochamber.org</a></p>

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Department and First 5 Commission Updates	<p><b>Health and Human Services:</b> Sherri Z. Heller highlighted information from her report included in the meeting packet. Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pertaining to the two upcoming presentations on November 15 listed in her report Sherri said the first one will be in the morning and the second one will be in the afternoon, she was not sure of the exact times and asked Staff to find out the times and then forward the information to the group.</li> </ul> <p><b>Human Assistance:</b> Gladys Deloney provided a report included in the meeting packet. Colleen Miller Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DHA Admin has moved from the Marconi Ave location to 1825 Bell Street, second floor.</li> <li>• Reminder that a few state laws have changed and in January the Maximum Family Grant (MFG) will be lifted. Also the “Once in a Lifetime Homeless Assistance” is changing to “Once in a Year”.</li> </ul> <p><b>First 5 Commission:</b> Julie Gallelo provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p>
Presentation of Recommended Slate of Offices for 2017	<p>HSCC Secretary, Melinda Avey, presented the following Slate of Officer for 2017:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Chair - Robert Silva Jr.</li> <li>○ Vice Chair – Ernie Brown</li> <li>○ Secretary – Melinda Avey</li> </ul> <p>The new 2017 Chair will be appointing at least two at-large members with the endorsement of the Council.</p>
Member Advisory Boards & Community Member’s Updates	<p><b>Adult and Aging Commission:</b> Leslie Julianel provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p> <p><b>Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board:</b> No report.</p> <p><b>Children’s Coalition:</b> Ernie Brown provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p> <p><b>Disability Advisory Commission:</b> A report was provided in the meeting packet. Randy Hicks Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DAC has concerns about the evening parking situation/accessibility at 700 H Street.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mental Health Advisory Board:</b> Len Marowitz provided a report included in the meeting packet. Added:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Len noted a spelling correction needed to the name of the MHB November site visit; it should be spelled as Danelle’s Place.</li> <li>• December will be Len’s last HSCC meeting; he will be ending his time on the MHB.</li> </ul> <p><b>Public Health Advisory Board:</b> Paula Green provided a report included in the meeting packet.</p>
Announcements	None
Public Comments	None
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned.

Two upcoming Board of Supervisors meetings (three agenda items) that you may be interested in:

- November 15: Presentation updating progress to date on implementing the various initiatives aimed at reducing (disproportionately high) deaths among African-American children in Sacramento County. CPS, Probation, and Sierra Health will address progress on community and agency programs to address perinatal deaths, sleep-related deaths, child abuse deaths, and third-party homicides.
- Also on November 15: Second in a series of workshops on County policies and programs for addressing homelessness.
- December 13: Update on the progress of Methamphetamine Collaborative Work Group and Opioid Task Force.

DHHS staff members are deep in the work of implementing the budget changes that the Supervisors approved in September, writing contract amendments, requesting Civil Service lists for hiring, etc. While we're excited about the impact these changes will have, our team is a bit overwhelmed by the workload at the moment. We are trying to keep our eyes on the importance of the goals we're trying to achieve, but it's hard to stay the course when unexpected weather seems to keep blowing us off the path.

Several events in the last couple of weeks have been extremely heartening. The "Heroes of Human Services" recognition was terrific, with a wide variety of contributions honored and exceptional neighbors giving moving remarks about why they volunteer. Then, the Harold Cole awards were presented to individuals in our community whose efforts have had transformational impacts on prevention of alcoholism and drug abuse and on treatment of substance use disorders. Again, exceptionally moving and inspiring messages from the award recipients. It can get depressing to read/see media accounts of tragic events and community conflict, but hearing these stories and meeting these people whose compassion and energy and commitment have made a difference restores one's pride in our community.

Sherri

## DHA REPORT TO HSCC

- Mustard Seed School – School for Homeless Children at Loaves and Fishes  
As directed by the BOS, DHA staff has been working to ensure Mustard Seed families are sheltered. DHA is currently supporting 13 families with motel vouchers. Two non-CalWORKs families and 11 CalWORKs families. DHA staff is starting to provide some supportive services. To improve long term outcomes for homeless families. DHA will station a bureau social worker on site at the Loaves and Fishes compound on Mondays, Tuesday and Fridays to provide access to DHA services and ensure that families have been assessed entered into Homeless Management Information System (HMIS).
- CLASP (Center for Law and Social Policy) /Work Support Strategies – DHA will be part of workshop with other States and Counties on support strategies for families. The workshop will be November 15th and 16th and will center on customer service and reducing time spent on applying for assistance.
- DHA will be making a presentation to the Critical Incident Sub-Committee of the Child Protective Services (CPS) Oversight Committee on January 17th. The presentation will focus on the collaborative efforts between DHA and CPS, and a general overview of DHA and its programs.
- Refugee Forums and Roundtable – Gladys scheduled to attend the next Refugee Forum conducted by Sacramento Bee on November 15th. Also attended on Thursday, October 20th, Refugee Roundtable at Assemblyman Kevin McCarty office. The resettlement agencies along with advocates, SETA, CDSS, Sandy Damiano and successful refugees were in attendance. The numbers for the resettlement agencies were discussed and issues dealing with high cost rents and resources to serve the different type of Refugees. The Special Immigrant Visas are issued to Iraqis and Afghans that were employed by or assisted the US Armed Forces with translation and interpreter services. These Refugees are typically highly educated and speak English well. They are more easily resettled and more readily employed.
- DHA started meeting with the four Resettlement Agencies to discuss DHA specific issues such as application processing and verifications. The next meeting will be on November 18th.
- County Veteran Service Officer Position (CVSO). The position goes to Board on Nov. 15th.
- Request for Proposal (RFP) Evaluators – DHA is seeking energetic people to review our RFPs for different contracts. If you are interested in being part of a panel that evaluates different providers for services under DHA contracts, please let me know. There is no payment but better understanding of the contract process for DHA.

## November 2016 Report to the Human Services Coordinating Council

### Executive Committee

- There are two new candidates in process for membership to the SCCC: Audrey Young and Chalon Rogers.
- Officer elections will take place in January/February. A proposed slate will be presented to the SCCC at January meeting and voting will take place at the February meeting.

### Oversight Committee

- After some discussion, the Oversight Committee's Systems Subcommittee decided not to focus on Continuum of Care Reform this year for their section of the Annual Report, as they do not feel they would have enough time to gather and assess information and make a meaningful recommendation around it by the time the 2016 Annual Report will be presented to the BOS. For their 2016 report, the committee will try to schedule a presentation to the BOS before preliminary budget hearings. CCR implementation in Sacramento County may be one of the focuses in their 2017 report, however.
- The Oversight Committee discussed a theme for the 2016 Annual Report and decided the theme would be child abuse/neglect prevention and response collaboration among various child-serving entities in the Sacramento community.

### Children's Trust Fund Committee

- The Child Abuse Prevention Center's FY16/17 Q1 invoice and quarterly report was reviewed and approved.
- The committee also received an update on the status of the Children's Trust Fund. As of 9/30/16, the balance is at \$307,389. The committee discussed possible strategies for dividing up the funds for future grants and projections on how various scenarios would affect the trust fund balance.

### Policy and Advocacy Committee

- The committee discussed possible areas to focus research around CCR. The group decided to narrow their focus to the effects CCR may have/has on family finding for foster youth (particularly the high needs/hard to place youth). As part of their project, they will seek to identify barriers to family finding and look into possible solutions to recommend. Their goal is to make recommendations for solutions that resources/funds can be directed to.
- The committee submitted a list of questions to CPS and is currently reviewing the responses.

Ernie Brown  
Member, Sacramento County Children's Coalition

**FIRST 5 SACRAMENTO COMMISSION**  
**Human Services Coordinating Council Update**  
**November 2016**

**HIGHLIGHTS OF LAST COMMISSION MEETING – October 3, 2016**

1. Review and Adoption of Annual Report FY15-16
2. Strategic Plan Update and Approval of Duration and Reduction Strategy
3. Change First 5 Bylaws to Limit Commissioner Membership on Standing Committees
4. Approve Updated Contractor Budget Policies
5. Approve Community Building Grants Program Modifications (training & peer support groups)

**HIGHLIGHTS OF UPCOMING MEETING – November 7, 2016**

1. Appoint 2017 Vice Chair
2. Receive Presentation on Efforts to Reduce African American Child Death
3. Strategic Plan Update
4. Approve Rotation of Commissioners on Standing First 5 Committees

**OTHER ITEMS OF INTEREST**

- Strategic Planning for 2018 continues, with staff and consultants preparing for the upcoming December Commission meeting, where we anticipate approval of the Plan Elements. At the October meeting, the Work Group prioritized 8 key result areas to continue funding through contracted services and two areas to focus exclusively on policy and systems change\*:
  - Effective Parenting
  - Child Maltreatment
  - Family Connections
  - School Readiness
  - Infant Death
  - Breastfeeding
  - Dental Disease
  - Quality Childcare
  - Affordable Childcare\*
  - Health Care Utilization\*
- Contracting reductions are estimated at 22% under the new strategic plan. Internal reductions are also planned and will be finalized through the Implementation Planning process.
- Executive Director continues to recruit new members to the First 5 Advisory Committee. One new member was appointed at the last Commission meeting from the “parents” category and another new member representing the “dentist/medical provider” category is

being vetted currently. Recruitment efforts are underway to reach the goal of filling 2-3 positions by the end of the calendar year.

- The new perinatal multi-media campaign to help reduce African American infant deaths in Sacramento County debuted in late September. Featuring the tag line “Stress” outdoor elements include convenience store posters, bus shelters and interior bus ads in targeted Sacramento neighborhoods. Media elements include radio ads airing on KSFM 102.5 and geo/demo targeted digital web banners and pre-roll video. The ‘call to action’ for this educational campaign is to visit the website: [www.sachealthybaby.com](http://www.sachealthybaby.com), which serves as a central hub for pregnant women to find support and resources in Sacramento County. An in depth look at the perinatal educational campaign will be held at the November Commission meeting.
- On October 15<sup>th</sup>, in partnership with Black Infant Health, the Sac Healthy Baby Campaign held a resource fair to kick off the new “Stress” perinatal campaign. The community event, organized by RSE, aimed to support healthy and happy pregnancies and babies. The set-up was a mock-up of the Sac Healthy Baby website, so moms-to-be and dads could gather information on local resources, find prenatal care and get advice on taking care of mom and baby. Approximately 100 pregnant women and moms with babies under 6 months of age attended.



## Disability Advisory Commission (DAC) Report to HSCC – November 2016

The DAC welcomed two new Ex-Officio members:

Gladys Deloney DHA and Val Siebel Environmental Management, and one new voting member, Marcos Seide.

Cindy Cavanaugh Director of Homeless Initiatives for Sac County summarized activities of the past 3 months since accepting this position. She is looking at successful models in other communities and collaborating with local advocates and providers. She pledged to work cooperatively with the DAC, especially the Housing Subcommittee, going forward.

Members discussed and voted for final approval of the bylaws with county counsel recommended revisions.

The Disability Compliance Office has completed their report back to CalTrans subsequent to their review. The groundwork is being laid for developing an Request for Qualifications to hire a consultant team to update the Countywide ADA Self Evaluation and Transition Plan. The DAC ratified a letter in support of the DCO's efforts and requesting full participation in the process.

They also reviewed and approved a letter to the Community Development Department regarding concerns about lack of accessibility provisions and inaccurate references to access code requirements in the updated Zoning Code Documents. The DAC requested to work with staff to review and discuss these concerns.

The DAC will hold a brief meeting on December 6 and adjourn early for their traditional end of year celebration and pot luck dinner.

## Sacramento County Mental Health Board Activities

Report to the HSCC for November 2016

- The MHB elected the following officers for 2017:
  - Chair    John Puente
  - Vice Chair    Tom Campbell
  - Public Information Secretary                      Ann Arneill
  - Executive Committee Members                      Austin Trujillo and  
Collette Johnson-Schulke
- The MHB November site visit will be to Danielle's Place, a respite program for transgender persons that is funded by the Mental Health Services Act.
- The DBHS Director reported that:
  - CPAC meetings are occurring in November to facilitate siting two crisis residential facilities.
  - Applications were submitted to the State for Sacramento County to have Certified Community Behavioral Health Centers.
  - Work continued with CPS and Probation on the Continuum of Care reform.
  - A No Place like Home County-level structure will be launched early in 2017.
  - The county has completed several fiscal monitoring trainings for contractors drawing federal funds.

## Mental Health Board

### 2016 Goals

#### As Approved at the March 2, 2016 General Meeting

For 2016, the Mental Health Board identifies the following goals to guide its annual planning efforts:

1. **MONITOR** the on-going implementation of the redesign of Sacramento County's continuum of mental health services, which focuses on alternatives to inpatient hospitalization and reducing the use of emergency departments as the sole source of help for people experiencing a mental health crisis.
2. **REVIEW** the existing system of care for children and youth to identify gaps in mental health services, with special focus on the needs of at-risk youth and transition age youth. **IDENTIFY** emerging issues regarding foster children, including Katie A\* implementation.
3. **CONSULT** with the Sacramento Steps Forward group and other stakeholders to ensure that there is a system of care for the homeless mentally ill population.
4. **REVIEW** the status of the recommendations in the MHB's 2012 feasibility study of treatment alternatives for individuals with chronic untreated mental illness in Sacramento County to determine if the MHB should continue to advocate for their implementation by DBHS and the Board of Supervisors.
5. **DEVELOP** a recommendation on whether Assisted Outpatient Treatment (AOT) is appropriate for Sacramento County and submit that recommendation to the Board of Supervisors. Consider the need for AOT in the context of the DBHS redesign of the county's continuum of mental health services.
6. **PROVIDE** monthly mental health provider site visits for the MHB members.
7. **EXPAND** participation in key countywide and community stakeholder committees to promote MHB involvement in planning activities for new and expanded programs.
8. **ADVOCATE** for additional rehabilitative and expanded mental health services in the criminal justice system. **STUDY** mental health issues in the criminal justice system to ensure that it is meeting the needs of persons with mental illness
9. **COLLABORATE** with the DBHS and the California Mental Health Planning Council to utilize robust data on the performance of the Sacramento public mental health system.
10. **RECRUIT** full and diverse membership of the MHB.

\* Katie A was a federal class action lawsuit (2002-2011) filed on behalf of California's foster youth and children at risk of out-of-home placement. It resulted in improved mental health screening and coordination of community mental health services offered through Medi-Cal for foster youth.



**Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB)**  
**Monthly Activity Report**  
Prepared for: Sacramento County  
Human Services Coordinating Council

- I. Public Health Division:
- Flu Season has officially started. Masking policies are in place. Neighboring counties coordinated masking policies all around the same time.
  - Currently awaiting approval for Denti-cal program. Application is pending.
  - Additional funding has been approved for additional foster care service RN's.
- II. Primary Care:
- Sandy Damiano gave presentation on Medi-Cal Managed Care. Presentation included education on
    - Eligibility & enrollment
    - Medi-cal Managed Care Health Plans in Sacramento County
    - Independent Provider Associations
    - Access standards
    - Core Services/ "Carve Outs"/ Mental Health Benefits/ Substance Abuse Disorder Benefits/ Dental Managed Care
  - Reviewed a number of "pre-ACA" and "post-ACA" differences. Sacramento County will be adding both United Health Care and Aetna to plans for people to choose from. Although there are two additional plans, there are no new providers through those plans. Post ACA has shown a decrease in specialty care and primary care access. Statewide regulation and oversight survey will be coming out soon to evaluate if health care plan standards are being met.
- III. Guest Speaker:
- Danielle Rodriguez, MPH Research Scientist/ Epidemiologist; Cancer Registry of Greater California
    - Danielle provided a comprehensive presentation regarding our Statewide population based cancer surveillance system that is divided into 10 regions. Data including incidence, mortality, race, socioeconomic status, and cancer stage was provided on the cancers that are shown to be "screenable". These cancers include female breast cancer, cervical cancer, colorectal cancer, prostate cancer, and lung cancer. The data collected from Sacramento County between 2004 and 2014 was then compared to our Statewide data.
    - Sacramento County Findings included:
      - There is a progression towards early diagnosis with breast cancer as late stage breast cancer diagnosis decreased significantly
      - Colorectal cancer diagnosed at late stage remained steady
      - Prostate cancer diagnosed at late stage increased significantly
      - Colorectal cancer diagnosed at late stage increased
    - Danielle wants the community to know that they provide investigative services upon request to areas / workplaces etc that have seen an increased incidence of a particular cancer being diagnosed.