

Sacramento County Human Services Coordinating Council

Meeting Minutes:

May 13, 2021

Zoom Meeting

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Facilitator: Raymond Kemp, Chair

Staffed by: Gloria Bedford

Meeting Attendees:

- HSCC Members: Melinda Avey, Debra Bonner, Randy Hicks, Raymond Kemp, Reggie Nelson, Linda Ram, Jessica Sankus, Loran Sheley, Paul Tanner, Angelina Woodberry
- Ex-Officio Members: Eduardo Amenyro (for Ann Edwards, Human Assistance), Martha Haas (for Michelle Callejas, DCFAS), Chevon Kothari (Health Services), Erin Maurie (for Julie Gallelo, First 5 Sacramento)
- Speakers: Melissa Jacobs, Behavioral Health
- Guests/Public: Kat Wies

Absent Members:

- HSCC Members: Kula Koenig, Teresa Ogan
- Ex-Officio Members: Cindy Cavanaugh (Homeless Initiatives), Bruce Wagstaff (Social Services), Xochitl Gomez (Bd. Of Supervisors)

Call to Order	Chair, Raymond Kemp, called meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.
Approval of Apr. 8, 2021 Minutes	Approval of April 8, 2021, minutes moved and seconded. No corrections. No abstentions.
Mental Health Wellness Grant	<p>The California Health Facility Financing Authority (CHFFA) offers mental health wellness grants. The Dept. of Health Services applied during the first round of funding and received funding for two vehicles for its 24/7 mobile crisis response team to serve youth. During the second round of funding, DHS applied for family respite center funding to serve 6-17 year olds. The award was approved in April and is for facilities purchase/improvement only. The respite center will complement services provided by the two Crisis Nurseries that serve families with children 0-5 years. Once complete, youth will be able to stay at the respite center for up to 23 hours.</p> <p>Mental health on school campuses – DHS is in partnership with SCOE and the Dept. of Health Services to provide mental health services to schools. There are currently 11 schools involved, with one therapist per campus. The intent is to have one therapist on every school campus in the county.</p> <p>Flexible Integrated Treatment (FIT), mental health system for children – Services are flexible based on the needs of each family. Services can be accessed once per month or several times per month, at school, at home, or at a local coffee house. DHS is coordinating with regional centers, education, child welfare, and probation to provide FIT.</p>
New DHS Director, Chevon Kothari	<p>Dept. of Health Services Director Chevon Kothari has been a social worker for 25 years. She was formerly the executive director of a nonprofit that provided services for domestic violence, sexual assault, offender treatment, a CASA program, youth center, and mental health and substance use disorder treatment. She was the director for Mariposa County Health and Human Services and served as CDSS Chief Deputy Director for Community Care Licensing where she was involved with disability determination, legal and disaster services. Today is her fourth day as Sacramento County DHS Director.</p> <p>Chevon looks forward to listening and learning about what Sacramento County’s human services needs are to help support teams like HSCC.</p>
Update: <i>Street Sheet</i> and 211 Sacramento	<p>The 211 Sacramento system collects analytics, but if no phone number is recognized, 211 staff are unable to return calls. 211 Sacramento is adding five homeless services specialists. The best time to call is 5:00-7:00 pm.</p> <p>St. Francis House is willing to put the <i>Street Sheet</i> on the 211 Sacramento website to increase its availability to the public.</p>

Challenges to Accessing Human Services	No new concerns reported.
Member Comments	<p>Chair – Stanford Settlement and Sutter Health are providing a COVID vaccination pop-up May 21 & 22. The First 5 Commission report sent in today’s meeting materials discusses the May revised budget and the dispersement of \$300 million in federal child care funding as well as SB 395 (vape tax).</p> <p>Alcohol and Drug Advisory Board – The AOD held a panel presentation on Laura’s Law on May 12, with a representative from the Public Defender’s Office. Video will be sent to HSCC members.</p> <p>Disability Advisory Commission – The health and human services coalition will have a virtual rally on May 14. Can call in and talk about your favorite program.</p> <p>Mental Health Board – The MHB will have a special meeting to discuss a community advisory board for the alternative 911 program next Wednesday at 6:00 pm.</p> <p>Children’s Coalition – The Children’s Report Card will hold community convenings to discuss what the community would like to see in future report cards.</p> <p>The Cal Voices Peer Empowerment Conference will be held on June 18, from 10:00 am-1:30 pm. Keynote speaker Shawn Ellis from the Netflix documentary <i>Trial 4</i>, will discuss the toll that being unjustly incarcerated has on one’s mental health. Will also have a panel of local consumers who are advancing the cause of equity, inclusion, and diversity in the mental health field.</p> <p>Adult and Aging Commission – AAG has been discussing age-friendly network communities for older adults. More information in late summer. AAG is looking for a commissioner for District 2 (Pocket area).</p>
Public Comments	None
Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 12:57 p.m.