



**MENDOCINO COUNTY
BEHAVIORAL HEALTH
ADVISORY BOARD**

REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES

**January 22, 2025
1:00 PM – 5:00 PM**

**Chairperson
Jo Bradley**

**Vice Chair
Mo Mulheren**

**Secretary/Treasurer
Jenniffer Estevo**

**BOS Supervisor
Mo Mulheren**

Location: Behavioral Health & Recovery Services, Conference Room 1,
1120 S. Dora Street, Ukiah, CA 95482

MEMBERSHIP:

**ANTHONY BAROZA, 25 YRS AND UNDER
JO BRADLEY, 5TH DISTRICT
MARK DONEGAN, VETERAN
JENNIFER ESTEVO, 2ND DISTRICT
DENISE GORNY, 1ST DISTRICT**

**PERRI KALLER, 3RD DISTRICT
LOIS LOCKART, 1ST DISTRICT
MARTIN MARTINEZ, 5TH DISTRICT
JEFF SHIPP, 3RD DISTRICT
GINA DANNER, LOCAL EDUCATION AGENCY**

OUR MISSION: *To be committed to consumers, their families, and the delivery of quality care with the goals of recovery, human dignity, and the opportunity for individuals to meet their full potential."*

	Agenda Item / Description	Action
1. 3 minutes	Call to Order, Roll Call, Quorum Notice, & Approve Agenda: <i>Review and Possible Action.</i> - Chair Bradley called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM. - Members present Chair Bradley, Member Baroza, Danner, Donegan, Martinez, and Shipp. - Member not present Member Kaller. - Members excused Member Estevo and Gorny. - Member Lockart resigned from the board. - Supervisor Haschak and Supervisor Mulheren were present. - Director Jenine Miller was present. - The current and new board members introduced themselves. - Member Martinez arrived at 1:15 PM.	Board Action: None.
2. 10 minutes (Maximum)	Public Comments: <i>Members of the public wishing to comment on the BHAB will be recognized now. Any additional comments can be provided through email to bhboard@mendocinocounty.gov</i> No comments.	Board Action: None.

3. 90 minutes	Specialty Mental Health 101 and Question & Answer • Director Miller introduced herself and presented the Specialty Mental Health 101 presentation included in the agenda packet. • It was mentioned that the County contracts with providers to provide specialty mental health services for the community. Although the county does also provide some services. • The service providers present at the meeting presented an overview and updates of their services and programs. Question & Answer: • Question: A member of the public spoke about their family member that was receiving services at Madrone House and wants to ensure there is services and support when their family member leaves Madrone House. The individual also noted that the services their family member was currently receiving were supportive and meeting their needs. ◦ Answer: Redwood Community Service (RCS) provided information to this individual to contact about services for their family member. • Question: A member of the public asked if there is a MOU between crisis and the Sheriff office for release of someone while SMI from jail for everyone to have evaluation, sign agreement, and have follow up? ◦ Answer: Currently there is no MOU, however the jail offers two discharge planners, one from Behavioral Health and one from Naphcare. The discharge planners work with individuals, who are willing, to connect to services as they discharge from the jail. • Question: A member of the public ask could patients/clients sign their annual “release of information” at the same time that they sign their annual Medi-Cal eligibility form? ◦ Answer: The two forms are required by different agencies, so it might be difficult to sign them both at the same time. However, ROI’s should be signed yearly as part of the yearly paperwork review. • Question: Mobile Crisis – who to call first? ◦ Answer: Director Miller stated to call the Crisis Line for 5150 assessment and not 911 unless it’s a medical emergency or there is a danger to the community. • Question: Member Donegan stated more communication, and advertising is needed to share about the Crisis Line. ◦ Answer: Several individuals agreed. Victoria Kelly, Executive Director, RCS, mentioned they were working on advertising the Crisis Line on the coast on a bridge. • Question: Will mobile response attend to a street person in crisis? Are the MOPS Team and the dual crisis response the same team performing different duties? Who do I call in crisis? MOPS? Police? Crisis Line? Is there any way to streamline to consolidate who to call in a crisis so it is one phone number for these issues? ◦ Answer: Director Miller stated some staff are the same team members, and all are under the same supervisor. Mobile response is 24/7/365 through Mendocino County	
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	and coordinated with RCS and goes through the Crisis Line 1-855-838-0404. • Question: A member of the public asked which agency or individuals are providing street outreach on a regular basis or mentally ill/homeless? Will Ukiah ever provide a street outreach team for homeless or addicted/mentally ill? Similar to the “street ambassadors” in San Francisco? ○ Answer: There were discussions about the Homeless Outreach Team, Heads Up, and CORE. • Board meeting commenced a break at 4:04 PM. • Member Shipp departed the meeting at 4:04 PM. • Board meeting resumed at 4:28 PM.	
4. 10 minutes	Approval of Minutes from November 20, 2024, and December 18, 2024, BHAB Regular Meetings: <i>Review and Possible Action.</i> • Motion made by Member Baroza, seconded by Member Donegan to approve November 20, 2024, Minutes. • Motion made by Member Martinez, seconded by Member Baroza to approve December 18, 2024, Minutes.	Board Action: Motion passes with approvals with Member Danner abstaining as she was not present at the meetings.
5. 10 minutes	Board & Committee Reports: <i>Discussion and Possible Action</i> A. Chair – <i>Jo Bradley</i> - 2025 Meeting Schedule • Board members requested that the meeting schedule to be revised for meeting locations on April 23, July 23, October 22, and December 17 be moved to in Ukiah at Behavioral Health & Recovery Services, Conference Room 1, 1120 S. Dora Street and reviewed at the next meeting. • Vice Chair Mulheren mentioned of more communication and advertising of the meetings scheduled in outlying and coastal areas and to be added for a discussion item at the next meeting. • Member Martinez mentioned of a meeting that should be scheduled on the south coast too. - Measure B Update • There were no updates. However, still receive complaints of how funding is being used. Chair Bradley has taken photos of the Psychiatric Health Facility (PHF) to share. • It was mentioned for the board members to follow the BHRS social media accounts including Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter X to see updates and information that is shared. BHRS to also look into to possibly creating a social media account through Blue Sky. B. Vice Chair – <i>Mo Mulheren</i> • Nothing to report. C. Secretary/Treasurer – <i>Jenniffer Estevo</i> • Not present. D. Appreciation Committee – <i>Member Martinez</i> • Member Martinez mentioned of a bid for an appreciation workshop for providers and would like to invite another board	Board Action:

	member to attend. Also, asked about the next Brown Act training. County staff to follow up about the Brown Act next training.	
6. 15 minutes	Mendocino County Youth Project Report Out – Amanda Archer/Designee A. Services Update Not present.	Board Action: None.
7. 15 minutes	Redwood Community Services Report Out – Victoria Kelly/Designee A. Services Update - Victoria Kelly, Executive Director, RCS, provided a handout including an overview of their services and programs provided to the board members and public. - Jolene Treadway, Chief Clinical Director, RCS, mentioned their focus is on relationship building and staying with clients through their client centered approach. - Samantha Stafford, Clinical Director, RCS, stated that specialty mental health services are provided in Ukiah, Willits and Fort Bragg and she presented the services provided.	Board Action: None.
8. 15 minutes	Tapestry Report Out – Kendra Palma/Designee A. Services Update Bryan Erickson, Operations and Development, Tapestry Family Services, provided a handout with overview of services and programs to the board members and public. Mr. Erickson also welcomed the board and public for a walk through of their office and if anyone has questions, they may call him at (707) 508-7756.	Board Action: None.
9. 15 minutes	Mendocino County Hospitality Center – Paul Davis/Designee A. Services Update Paul Davis, Executive Director, Mendocino County Hospitality Center, mentioned that care management services and specialty mental health services have been provided since 2016. They have care management, mental health rehabilitation, and work with partners to ensure clients receive appropriate services. They are currently working on staffing issues and client share systems are working well. Their current caseload is 64, and 34 are experiencing homelessness and of the 31 housed are assisted with mental health staff. They also have included in their contract a wellness center that aids in patient navigation. Additionally, they have the transitional housing project with a target for families with children and those with mental health needs to help provide stable housing and provides a homeless shelter which currently holds 16 beds with 6 being used by mental health clients and is collocated on their property. Their street medicine program provides patient navigation and medical care. Additionally, they are working on a contract with City of Fort Bragg for the Prop 47 grant.	Board Action: None.

10. 15 minutes	Anchor Health Management Report – <i>Anchor Health Management Inc.</i> A. Services Update • Tim Schraeder, Anchor Health, provided an update and overview of services and programs provided by Anchor Health. They provide medication management, facilitate communication between crisis, and working on hospital communications and updates. They work closely with the whole person care program that provides enhanced care management and community care. They train and support agency providers and work with the county. As well as promote wrapping of clients and communication between whole person care. • Christina Jamison, Clinical Nurse Case Manager, Anchor Health, shared that they continue to provide services. She shared a client story that resulted in housing being obtained and has been 2 years since this client has been re-hospitalized. They work closely with crisis and continue support medication services. They work with the jail and when discharged to ensure outreach and collaboration. • Sarah Walsh, Data Analyst, Anchor Health, provided data, outcomes, and collaborates to ensure all receive a current report. • Sarah Livingston, Anchor Health, mentioned of their Mental Health Rehabilitation Center (MHRC), outpatient clinic that will include a therapist and med management. • Whitney Longvelt, Whole Person Care Program, Anchor Health, mentioned they are currently serving 227 in their Enhanced Care Management (ECM) program. She mentioned for those to qualify they need to be an adult (18+) Mendocino County resident and once enrolled are assigned a care manager. In 2024, they provided services to 315 members.	Board Action: None.
11. 15 minutes	Mendocino County Report – <i>Jenine Miller, Director of Health Services</i> A. Director Report Questions • Report included in the agenda packet and additional items as requested at the last meeting for staffing and LPS additions to the report. • Public Comment: Angle Slater, Public Health Manager, stated she was impressed by the meeting attendance and appreciated everyone’s input during this meeting. Also, mentioned that she has begun overseeing BHRS Prevention & Wellness team.	Board Action: None.
12. 3 Minutes	Member Comments: • Member Donegan provided an update from the State training he attended by Teresa Comstock, Executive Director, CA Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards & Commissions. He also mentioned of only 4 peer certifications in the county. It was then mentioned of how to apply for peer certification on the website at www.capeercertification.org if anyone is interested or may contact Rena Ford by email at fordr@mendocinocounty.gov. He also requested that there be an agenda item for service provider updates on the Board of Supervisor (BOS) meetings and learning the process of 5150. First year every new BHAB member should have board buddy to help fill in the gaps and questions of the board.	Board Action: None.

13. 2 minutes	Adjournment: 5:02 PM	Board Action: None.
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