

Contra Costa County Mental Health Commission
Thursday ♦ March 27, 2008 ♦ 4:30-6:30 p.m.
Concord Police Dept. Community Room ♦ 1350 Galindo Street, Concord

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AGENDA

1. 4:30 Call to Order/Introductions
2. 4:35 Public Comment. The public may comment on any item of public interest within the jurisdiction of the Mental Health Commission. In the interest of time and equal opportunity, speakers are requested to observe a 3-minute time limit (subject to change at the discretion of the Chairperson). In accordance with the Brown Act, if a member of the public addresses an item not on the posted agenda, no response, discussion, or action on the item may occur. Time will be provided for Public Comment on items on the posted Agenda as they occur during the meeting.
3. 4:40 Announcements
EVERYONE PLEASE MAKE NOTE OF THE NEW COMMISSION MAILING ADDRESS AND PHONE NUMBER (e-mail remains the same: kshuler@hsd.cccounty.us).
30 Douglas Drive, Ste. 240, Martinez, CA 94553 ♦ 925-372-4439.
4. 4:45 Approval of the Minutes from February 28, 2008.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
5. 4:50 Report: Health Services Director—William Walker, MD
 - Crisis Stabilization Unit Staffing Update
 - Report on January Contra Costa Regional Medical Center Visit by Federal Regulators
 - Impact of the budget cuts on CCRMCDISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM
6. 5:05 Interim Co-Chairs' Report – Scott Singley and Judy McCahon
 - Announcement of Commissioner Bettye Randle's resignation.
 - Standing Committee Membership
 - Set date for Bylaws Revision Committee to meet.

7. 5:20 Update: Mental Health Services Act Housing Program
Kimberly Mayer, MHSA Project Manager
- Report on tour of Villa Vasconcellos
 - Public Grand Opening will be held Wednesday, April 23 from 4-6 p.m.
8. 5:35 Report: Mental Health Director —Donna Wigand, LCSW
- Update on the budget process.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM
9. 5:50 Committee Reports.
- **Children’s Committee.**
 - Entertain a motion to request that Chris Adams Girl’s Center be spared from the budget cuts pending the state’s decision on the waiver to apply for community care licensing.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
 - Committee discussed the information regarding Prevention and Early Intervention needs and services and provided input on the top priority populations that will be determined at the next 0—25 stakeholders meeting on March 31, 2008.
 - **Executive Committee**
 - Status of Vacancies:
 - District I (Not posted yet): Consumer Representative
 - District III: Consumer Representative
 - District IV: Consumer Representative
 - District V: Consumer Representative, Family Member, Member-at Large
 - Recommendations for appointments.
 - District V
 - Sharricci Dancy (Family Member or Member-at-Large)
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM
 - Connie Tolleson (Consumer Representative or Family Member)
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 - Donna Stahle Souza (Consumer Representative, Family Member, Member-at-Large)
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM
 - Art Honegger (Family Member or Member-at-Large)
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM
 - David Evans (Family Member)
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM
 - Entertain a motion to accept the recommendation of the Executive Committee regarding a formal procedural process for following up on items brought before the Commission and its committees.
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM
 - **Older Adult Committee.**
 - The Older Adult Committee heard a report from newly-appointed Older Adult Mental Health Program Manager Cesar Court.

- The Older Adult Committee is working collaboratively with Alcohol & Other Drugs and the Area Agency on Aging and others to develop a procedure for prevention and early intervention to define, assess, treat and follow-up on seniors who have substance abuse issues.
- The Committee is also following proposed legislation that would define dementia and Alzheimers as a mental illness, thus opening new avenues of treatment.
- **Adult & Transitional Age Youth Committee.**
 - The Committee was introduced to Johanna Ferman, newly appointed Medical Director for Adult Services.
 - The Committee also heard a report from Cindy Cook, a member of the Transition Team of Nurses.
 - Entertain a motion to nominate a Commissioner to participate on the Conservatorship/Public Guardian Stakeholder Group which will discuss issues surrounding the Conservatorship and Public Guardian programs in the County and possible service improvements. Clarification provided by Dorothy Sansoe. (Carried over from last month.)
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
 - Entertain a motion to recommend that the Commission collaborate with the Greater Richmond Interfaith Program on the formation of a Mental Health Task Force. Background information will be provided by Alix Mitgang from GRIP. (Carried over from January.)
DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ITEM.
- **Justice System Committee**
 - The Justice System Committee viewed a PowerPoint presentation on the Behavioral Health Court and received a report on the current and proposed responsibilities of the court and those of the participating incarcerated individuals. A site visit will be scheduled in the immediate future.
 - A second printing has been done of the Law Enforcement Referral Cards for the East County area. Antioch and Pittsburg will be the next departments to be involved in the program. The program will expand to other areas of the county as the updates are developed.
 - The Committee received a report from Lt. Mitch Lemay on the county's CIT Training. Karen Sloma will be participating on the Steering Committee for the program's development.

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| 10. | 6:15 | Reports: Ancillary Boards/Commissions
A. Contractor’s Alliance
B. California Mental Health Planning Council
C. California Mental Health Boards/Commissions (CALMHB/C)
D. California Institute for Mental Health (CIMH)
E. Mental Health Coalition |
| 11. | 6:25 | Future Agenda Items |
| 12. | 6:30 | Adjourn meeting. |