

Public Health Advisory Board

Meeting Minutes

June 1, 2022 12-1:30PM

Meeting Location

Zoom Meeting (Open to the Public)

Moderator: Sonal Patel/Farla Kaufman

Scribes: Cynthia Dossman

Meeting Opened: 12:10 PM

Board Members: Farla Kaufman, Steve Heath, Sonal Patel, Elisabeth Abbott, Phil Summers, Dr. Ashley Sterlin, Barbie Law, Jofil Borja, Sara Bowsky, Bekaula Aysheshim, Chase Smith, Sandy Damiano (ex officio) Olivia Kasirye, (ex officio)

Those not in attendance:

Board Members excused:

Other County Leadership: Lynnann Svensson, Andrew Mendosa, Michelle Besse, Stephanie Kelly

Review of Minutes: May minutes approved.

YouTube link for the minutes: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0u-MZPIbDaw>

Farla Update

Are there any amendments to the May meeting minutes? Hearing none. Is there a motion to approve the minutes? Yes

Minutes are approved

Nomination of HIV Health Services Planning Council- Palooza appointed to HIV Health Services by 6 members from the PHAB board

Nominations for Executive Committee member - Chase was nominated by PHAB members and voted in

Primary Health Division Updates – Dr. Damiano

Please refer to Correctional Health attachment for updates.

[Adult Correctional Health Report June 2022.pdf \(saccounty.gov\)](#)

Substance Use Prevention and Treatment – Mendosa/Miller

We've been super busy doing lots of great things out in the community, and working with our partners over in behavioral health, public health and primary care. We are involved in some level and getting some great things out there with you all so I just want to go over and just provide a couple updates, first we recently had our fentanyl town hall it was the second one and it was virtual format it and it was well attended we were able to have our district attorney Anne-Marie Schubert present and a variety of experts were there. Also, people that lost someone to fentanyl poisoning or fentanyl overdose. We were able to share great information about fentanyl the side effects and how to get narican, how to administer. It was a great event and this was in line with our continued desire to get the word out about the dangers of fentanyl and about counterfeit pills over 99 percent of pills are counterfeit, so we're really trying to work hard to get the information out to our schools, communities, our stakeholders and partners as well. We'll be having another fentanyl town hall in the near future. Click link below to view Fentanyl Awareness Town Hall; https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qY5SK98W_ao

January 10, 2023 were having our summit for marijuana prevention summit. It's done by our Sacramento coalition for youth and it's a great summit, and there's great information out there as we know marijuana continues to be a problem for youth's and it continues to be a problem in our schools a lot of youth's wanting to figure out how not be become involved with that or how to stop using it. We're there with some great resources also, there to partner with our coalitions and our prevention partners. We have a couple of coalition meetings coming up our first one is July 18th opioid coalition. The coalition is made up of health care professionals, law enforcement, behavioral health professionals, doctors and nurse practitioners everyone is coming together to address the opioid epidemic that we have here in Sacramento County. In August 11th, we have our Meth coalition again another great coalition comprised of people from all different disciplines and different areas and service lines within the county and other government agencies. We are recruiting new providers we've had people in the past in meetings have said what's up with the residential and what's up with detox? We need more providers out there we here hear you we are doing work also, Lori and a couple of the staff we're all out there meeting with new providers and we met with a very large national conglomerate, a big name in the forensic mental health area, substance abuse, correctional health and they're talking with us right now about possibly bringing out a significant infrastructure project here in Sacramento, which will make a huge dent in our continuum in a good way and really increase the amount of beds out there so hopefully we'll be able to share more about that in the future. We recently executed our contract with our new UC Davis partners we're very excited about this it's going to be a game changer for Sacramento County. We're going to be contracting with UCD; they're going to be doing inductions in the ED getting people services right then and there as people come into the ED verses the old way of doing things where they give you a name and number and tell you to go report on Monday or go somewhere else Monday to an appointment. They're actually able to start services then and there. We just started contracting with a telehealth provider out of Southern California again this is innovative.

Q: Farla, if someone wanted a narican kit, where would I go and how much would it cost?

A: There's a lot of locations you can get narican, Sutter Health is now giving narican out of their emergency department and Sutter Medical Center downtown is now issuing narican out of the ED so patients that come in or people that come in they have narican available to them. Also it's available at a lot of different locations pharmacy's and for a price you can definitely pay out of pocket if you want, but there's lots of places in Sacramento to get it free of charge.

More information on the above events folks can reach out to Michelle Besse
BesseM@saccounty.net.

First 5 and HSCC representation, PHAB membership, youth member-Farla/Sonal

Just a recap from last month's meeting Farla, raised some opportunities for PHAB members to represent PHAB on other boards and councils specifically last month we heard about first 5 well as an opening on the Human Services Coordinating Council. We heard from Barbie that she's interested in representing PHAB at the Human Services Coordinating Council, and she'll be participating and we look forward to hearing on how the first meeting went. If you have some interest in joining the First 5 committee there is still space for PHAB representation and if you're interested please be sure to connect with Farla.

Public Health Division Updates – Dr. K

Hi everyone, Let's start by saying with Covid the numbers are still going up and I haven't received an update for this week for our dashboard but, we do know the numbers are continuing to go up and we're getting a lot of reports but, most people have mild disease and the hospitals are still in good shape as far as Covid goes. There's one question that we've been asked from time to time is we're thinking of new restrictions? We're not, we're continuing with the strong recommendations for masking and also continuing to offer vaccine especially in the underserved communities. And for Monkeypox we in Sacramento County has now diagnosed 3 cases and the first related case traveled to Europe and the others were through contact tracing and we're very busy working on identifying different contacts, also providing information, and we are offering vaccine which is a newer vaccine it's not the old small pox vaccine this is newer; it was approved in 2019, and we're offering it to the contacts that have been identified it's not being offered to the general public. Also, for the newer diagnosis we are going to be working them to offer treatment of new medication called T-pox and were working with the CDC on that and on protocols.

Alternatives to 911 Update – Farla

The link below is an example to show people what we've been doing and I know there are new members who are following on what the PHAB has been doing recently with the committees and the presentations. We do write a lot of recommendations to the board of supervisors and they haven't gotten as much attention in the past but, I'm so excited about this. I was talking to the Mental Health Board Chair, and conversations were about the latest alternatives to 9-1-1 effort and what PHAB looked at in mid- 2020, was this issue of trying to find a way for Sacramento County to have an alternatives to 9-1-1 where that

meant when there was a mental health crisis that somebody besides law enforcement could be the entity that you call to come out and respond and how that response would look in terms of peer groups, social workers people who were trained in answering the response so that it was de-escalation not an escalation experience for the person involved. There are programs across the country, not a lot, two or three that were very interesting. One in Eugene Oregon that was long-standing, something like 20 years in existence, and another in Colorado and that there were people very interested. Supervisor Kennedy was a proponent of this early on, that we could form a program to have this as an option instead of law enforcement and we know there has been a lot of gains in the Sacramento County Behavioral Health and the Health Services has been working very hard on this to provide more services and more places to bring people instead of the emergency departments and instead of the option of charging people with a crime, but more response to responding at an appropriate level and not having it escalate to the point where there is a criminal component to it. So we wrote a letter of recommendation that endorsed this in a major way. Again this letter was dated November 2020, and in response to this there are primary recommendations that this system be trauma informed care and it would be easily accessible and it should not involve law enforcement and then predominantly peer-led and representatives of the community and in addition to the planning and implementation should be conducted with partnership. Behavioral Health has done an amazing job and early on when the pilot was proposed had meetings with the public and they presented in webinars on what their view is and how they were implementing it. They took feedback from the community and implemented it wherever possible and the program is really terrific in the sense that now it's huge and up and running in many regards. The Mental Health Board has formed a working committee on this issue and currently they're looking for a new name for it for its currently named as Wellness Crisis call center and response team, and they want it to be a bit more user friendly.

[PHAB Crisis Response DRAFT letter to BOS.pdf \(saccounty.gov\)](#)

PHAB Retreat – July 7th 5:30-8:30 possible topics

Our retreat will be held on July 7th and originally we had 10 of our 11 members now I've received a note that Barbie will be joining us, Barbie is one of our long-standing members, and she brings a lot of history, experience and she has a perfect view of the emergency medical services response and she's a high ranking member of the Cal fire she's bring a lot of information as the rest of our PHAB members. We have full complement of members coming to the retreat and we're working on supplying food and it will be held in the Sierra Health Foundation they're very kind in donating their space to a non-profit organizations to hold meetings. We would like the members to propose topics that they would like to bring up at the meeting we will be surveying you about those things and talking to you individually if we haven't already in terms of what you would like to bring to FAB and how you see your role and you see FAB's role there's a lot of topics on the agenda which we will try to condense and get to everything in some way or another. If anyone has any ideas about what they would like to hear at the retreat or what they think an important agenda item is to put onto the retreat agenda, please let us know send suggestions Farla/Liz.

Q: Jen, is the retreat open to the public?

A: Farla, Yes it's open to the public because we as PHAB are under the auspices of the Brown ACT, so we must be open whenever we meet. Food will not be opened for the public, but they can attend if they like.

Public Comment

Any public comments?

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 1:20PM.

Submitted by Cynthia Dossman, scribe