

**Sacramento County
Public Health Advisory Board**

Meeting Minutes

March 6, 2025 4:00PM - 6:00PM

Meeting Location

3400 3rd Avenue, Sacramento CA 95817

Facilitator: Angelina Olweny

Meeting Opened: 4:03 PM

Category	Name	Attendance
Community Member	Sonal Patel	Excused
Community Member	Chase Smith	Yes
Community Member	Bekalu Amare	Yes
Public Health Professional	Alex Schmalz	Yes
Public Health/Health	Rachel Weinreb	Yes
Community Member	Nia Jones	Yes
Community Member	Stacy Anderson	Yes
Community Member	Ellen Shank	Excused
Community Member	Samantha Rapp	Yes
Youth Member	Michael Lee-Chang	Yes
County Staff	Nick Mori	
County Staff	Tianna Hammock	Yes
County Staff	Nicole Harper	
County Staff	Lori Miller	Yes
County Staff	Andrew Mendonsa	
County Staff	Dr. Ryan Quist	Yes
County Staff	Tim Lutz	
County Staff	Dr. Olivia Kasirye (Ex-officio)	Yes
County Staff	Noel Vargas (Ex-officio)	Yes

Guests: Linda Easton

Review of Minutes: The February minutes were approved unanimously (Motion: Weinreb
Second: Lee-Chang)

- **Behavioral Health – Prop 1 and Provider Networks Updates**

- The three components funded by the bond measure that was part of Proposition 1 are:
 1. The construction of treatment facilities that include mental health rehabilitation centers, substance use disorder residential treatment facilities, and substance use disorder residential treatment facilities.
 2. The transitional housing program administered by the state's Department of Housing and Community Development called Home Key Plus will fund the acquisition and redevelopment of hotels to meet transitional housing needs in communities. The state will fund proposals on a first come first serve basis.
 3. Prop 1 will also support the Behavioral Health Services Act (BHSA). BHSA replaced the Mental Health Services Act and reconfigured funding that was available for programs under the Mental Health Services. 30% of the funding under BHSA will go towards housing, 30% will support Full Service Partnership programs (FSP) and 35% will support behavioral health services and supports.

BHSA has specific requirements to include specified and defined community partners as part of the Community Planning Process. The Behavioral Health Services Act will be implemented on July 1, 2026.

A summary of the BHSA timeline is available on the PHAB website under the materials for the March meeting.

- **Adult Correctional Health**

- The Sacramento County Jail offers specialized care for incarcerated individuals with untreated chronic conditions, as well as medication-assisted treatment (MAT) for those with Substance Use Disorders (SUD) on-site.
- 812 incarcerated individuals are receiving MAT at the county jail. Research has shown that MAT is an effective treatment that helps reduce drug overdoses, adverse incidents, and negative outcomes, while also lowering recidivism rates.
- The County's Substance Use Treatment Program includes:
 1. Three Substance Use Disorder counselors.
 2. SUD education groups and individual counseling sessions.
 3. Discharge planning and connections to community MAT resources.
 4. SUD education and community resource information available on tablets for inmates, along with plans for future curriculum development on these tablets.

- **Primary Care Updates**

- The county has medical director vacancies in the Primary Care Clinic and Adult Correctional Health Department.
- The Mobile Medical Van conducts medical outreach to meet the medical needs of the unhoused population.
- The Juvenile Correctional Health Department is going through the National Commission on Correctional Health Care Accreditation process.

- **Public Health Updates**

- The Sacramento County Public Health Department has no reported cases of measles in the county and will continue to monitor for any occurrences.
- Flu cases in the county remain high.
- There are no changes to federal funding for county health services provided through programs such as the Women, Infants, and Children (WIC) program, and vaccine and immunization programs. The Public Health Advisory Board (PHAB) will be informed of any changes.

- **Public Comments**

- Valley Vision will lead the implementation, coordination, and action planning for a county-wide advisory group focused on creating aligned pathways to careers in Behavioral Health. The objective is to tackle the skills gap by expanding the talent pipeline, fostering collaboration between educational institutions and employers, analyzing job demand, mapping education options and talent flows, and ensuring sustainability. This initiative is in partnership with the Sacramento County Office of Education.

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