Summary/Action Minutes

I. Alameda County Substance Use Disorder Services: Current Configuration and Vision for the Future

Manuel Jimenez, Director, Behavioral Health Care Services, presented a Power Point presentation on the County’s Substance Use Disorder Services.

The presentation included information on demographic data for substance use disorder clients, continuum of substance abuse services and major sources of funding for substance use disorder (SUD) services.

Behavioral Health Care Services plans to develop an implementation plan for DMC Waiver, in addition to designing and implementing a call center for screening, referrals and care management of SUD residential services. Other plans of the Agency include establishing a recovery residence and outpatient level of care and to assist CBOs to build infrastructure for staff training, chart documentation to meet DMC requirements, billing, and sustainability.

Purpose:
☑ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
☐ Other:

This item was informational only and required no Committee action.

II. Thunder Road Adolescent Treatment Center - Status

Manuel Jimenez, Director, Behavioral Health Care Services, presented an oral report regarding the status of Thunder Road Adolescent Treatment Center.

In 2014, Edgewood Treatment Facility began talks with the County to take over the operation of the Thunder Road Treatment Center however Edgewood decided not to operate the center.

Alex Briscoe, Director, Health Care Services Agency and Mr. Jimenez have been in conversations with Sutter Hospital to locate a provider to take over the operation at Thunder Road, and will hopefully soon come to a resolution. In addition, other providers have come forward to enquire about operating Thunder Road.

The Bay Area Behavioral Health Directors have encouraged the County to keep Thunder Road open.

Purpose:
☑ Report progress
☐ Advocacy or Education
☐ Request Health Committee Recommendation or Position
☐ Other:
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PUBLIC COMMENT

Joe Rose thanked Supervisor Carson for requesting a retreat to consider MHSA funded contracts. According to the State Little Hoover Commission report on MHSA contracts, the outcomes are not being identified very well. Mr. Rose encouraged the Board to review the outcomes of services, how many people are getting better, as opposed to the number of services offered.

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