

**VENTURA COUNTY BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ADVISORY BOARD
 BHAB PREVENTION COMMITTEE
 1911 WILLIAMS DRIVE, VCBH TRAINING ROOM, OXNARD, CA**

MINUTES □ November 13, 2017

<p>Present</p> <p>Janis Gardner, Chair BHAB Prevention Committee, BHAB Member Claudia Armann, BHAB Member Gane Brooking, BHAB Member Mary Haffner, BHAB Member Patricia Mowlavi, BHAB Member Sandra Wolfe, BHAB Member David Deutsch, NAMI Ventura Gabe Teran, Ventura County Office of Education (VCOE) Kelli Daher, Pacific Clinics TAY Tunnel Mark Stadler, CIT – Crisis Intervention Team Melissa Hannah, United Parents Natalie Gabric, Aegis Treatment Centers</p>	<p>VCBH Staff Present</p> <p>Dan Hicks, Alcohol & Drug Programs, Prevention Services David Tovar, Alcohol & Drug Programs, Prevention Services Cari Kawell, Alcohol & Drug Programs, Prevention Services</p> <p>NEXT MEETING: Monday, December 11, 2017, 3:15 – 4:30 p.m.</p> <p>Ventura County Behavioral Health 1911 Williams Drive, Lake Tahoe Conference Room (2nd floor), Oxnard, CA</p>
<p>Note: The committee has not yet approved these minutes. There may be additions/deletions or corrections before the minutes are accepted in final form.</p>	

	DISCUSSION/CONCLUSIONS	RECOMMENDATIONS/ ACTIONS	RESPONSIBLE
I.	Call to Order The meeting was called to order at 3:16 PM by Chairperson, Janis Gardner.		
II.	Approval of the Agenda (Action) Agenda for November 13, 2017 was approved as written.	Approved as written M/S/C	Motion: Sandra Wolfe 2 nd : Mary Haffner
III.	Approval of the Minutes (Action) Minutes for October 9, 2017 were approved.	Approved as written M/S/C	Motion: Sandra Wolfe 2 nd : Gane Brooking
IV.	Welcome and Introductions The Chair welcomed all. Self-introductions were made around the table.		
V.	Chair Announcements Janis Gardner, Chair, BHAB Prevention Committee announced multiple items / updates that included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The “Underage & Binge Drinking Project Community Forum” (U.A.B.D. Project) will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Oxnard Performing Arts Center at 4000 South Rose Ave. in Oxnard. Multiple VCBH Prevention Services Providers, such as Straight Up Ventura County, Project SAFER and VCOE/FNL will be present and participating in a panel discussion. Flyers were distributed. The BHAB is in process of asking Ventura County Council to change the current bylaws so that any participant that attends BHAB committee meetings several times, can become an actual member of the committee. This means that regularly attending participants wouldn’t have to only speak during Public Comments. This change has been approved by County Council and now needs to go to the Board of Supervisors. It is a way to easily share information and meet committee objectives and hear from our stakeholders and providers. A decision should be made by February 2018. The NAMI Christmas Party will take place on Tuesday, December 12th, 2017 from 5 pm to 8 pm at the Elks Lodge at 801 South A St., in Oxnard. The event is for all clients and staff from board & cares, residential facilities, VCBH Staff, and families of clients. The City of Ojai has just opened its first legal medical cannabis pharmacy. It is the first one in Ventura County. Port Hueneme is planning to open two to three medical cannabis pharmacies, Thousand Oaks plans to open one, incorporated Ventura County plans to open two, and, several cities including Oxnard are allowing mobile deliveries. The State of California has mandated that cannabis will be available in January 2018 for recreational use for adults 21 years and over. This will likely affect the current medical marijuana dispensaries. 		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Each year the California Mental Health planning council in collaboration with the California Association of Local Behavioral Health Boards & Commissions require a Data Notebook from each county. Ventura County is one of 58 in the State. BHAB Member, Gane Brooking, is the lead on this project. This year the theme is specialty mental health services for older adults. VCBH will be providing data for this which will specify who VCBH Providers are that serve the aforementioned theme. The City of Thousand Oaks is the first city in Ventura County that is going to integrate the word “cannabis” into its Social Host Ordinance. A Social Host Ordinance is a local law that upholds the non-commercial host of an underage party civilly liable for the costs associated with that, and, as a deterrent. Most cities have at least a \$1000 fine to the host of the gathering. 		
<p>VI.</p>	<p>Public Comments</p> <p>Natalie Gabric from Aegis Treatment Centers announced that Aegis Oxnard Facility will be having an Open House on Thursday, December 7th from 4pm to 6:30 pm at 2055 Saviers Rd. in Oxnard. Aegis is a non-profit treatment program that provides medication assisted treatment as well as counseling services to people who are dependent on opiates.</p> <p>David Deutsch, Director, NAMI Ventura County announced that the NAMI Ventura General Meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 14 at 7 pm at Vineyard Community Church at 1320 Flynn Road in Camarillo. This meeting will be about conservatorships. VCBH’s Dr. John Schipper will be speaking to the clinical elements of LPS Conservatorships.</p> <p>Melissa Hannah, United Parents announced two events that included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.) “How To Keep My Child Safe” on Wednesday, November 29th, 2017 from 9:30 am to 7:30 pm at the Church for the Nations at 270 W. 5th St., Oxnard. For more information or to RSVP call 805.384.1555 b.) “Working Together: How Professionals can Support Parents in Managing Challenging Behaviors and Advocating for their Child” event to be held on Thursday, November 30, 2017 from 9 am to 2 pm at Casa Pacifica Centers for Children and Families at 975 Flynn Rd., Camarillo, Compassion Room (room 2). For more information and to RSVP, call 805.914.8718 or email: mhannah@unitedparents.org 		
<p>VII.</p>	<p>Staff / Provider Updates</p> <p>A.) Dan Hicks, Manager, VCBH ADP Prevention Services gave several updates that included: Mr. Hicks’ recent attendance at the “Western States Marijuana Summit 2017” in San Diego. Event topics included a Press Event by SAM – Smart Approaches to Marijuana - that launched a National Awareness Campaign on marijuana impaired driving called “High Means DUI”; also featured were experts from Colorado and Washington who spoke about “lessons learned” and challenges about to be faced in California on the topic of cannabis legalization - a significant emphasis was on local power and County and City policies; and, presentations were given from a number of CA cities who have dealt in different ways with trying to limit not only the number of dispensaries in their communities, but also, operating conditions, hours and proximity to public and private schools and daycare centers.</p> <p>Opioids are in the news and this topic is on the Board of Supervisors agenda for the BOS General Meeting on Tuesday, November 14, 2017. The lead story on last Sunday’s <i>Ventura County Star</i> was about giving direction to staff to pursue joining up with the existing lawsuits that would presumably create a disincentive for pharmaceutical companies to promote using misleading language and/or tactics regarding addictive substances including opioids.</p> <p>VCBH’s interest in cannabis and opioids continues to be to limit exposure and delaying the age of onset particularly among youth. Research shows that the later you use mind altering substances the more likely you are to be healthy and prevent a range of health issues including substance use disorders.</p> <p>The new VCBH ADP Prevention Services 5-year Strategic Prevention Plan (SPP) focuses on strategies that can limit access and delay the age of onset and exposure which are key elements in the new SPP initiatives. Some of these initiatives include: Addressing Health Disparities, Prescription Drugs, Marijuana Prevention, Underage and Binge Drinking and Impaired Driving Prevention.</p> <p>B.) Mark Stadler, CIT, Crisis Intervention Team mentioned that CIT is currently selecting the next CIT “Officer of the Year” which will be announced at the January 2018 BHAB General Meeting.</p> <p>Last week, Mr. Stadler went to Sacramento with VCBH Mental Health Services Act (MHSA) Prevention Early Intervention (PEI) Staff to attend the 14th Annual Forensic Mental Health Association of California (FMHAC) Conference.</p>		

	<p>C.) David Tovar, Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) Grant Coordinator, VCBH ADP Prevention Services, announced that last Tuesday, Nov 7th the Ventura County Board of Supervisors approved the FFY 2017/18 OTS grant for \$258,000. VCBH efforts will be focused on a young women drivers' campaign redefining that DUI doesn't just include alcohol, but, also includes drugs. The VC OTS campaign will include new Public Service Announcements and campaign materials. Studies show that this is the only growing demographic for DUIs in California.</p>		
VIII.	<p>Prevention Committee Member Comments N/A</p>		
IX.	<p>Prevention Committee Discussions Chair Gardner proposed a Prevention Committee Meeting monthly date change to the 2nd Tuesday of each month from 3:15 to 4:30 pm at VCBH Administration.</p> <p>Chair Gardner polled the group for a show of hands for a majority consensus. The group agreed that beginning in January 2018, the BHAB Prevention Committee will begin meeting on the 2nd Tuesday of each month.</p> <p>Chair Gardner opened group discussion regarding the topic of better collaboration with the other BHAB Committees. Two suggestions were made as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a.) Chair Gardner will announce relevant, upcoming Prevention Committee Time Certain Presentations at the General BHAB Meeting to invite other committee members. b.) Chair Gardner will mention that the Prevention Committee Meeting minutes are archived online for review at: http://vchca.org/bhab-prevention-committee 		
X.	<p>Old Business Chair Gardner polled the group to find out if they wanted to go "dark" in December for the December BHAB Prevention Committee Meeting. The group decided to hold the December 11, 2017 meeting.</p> <p>Chair Gardner also discussed with the group a draft of the FY 2016/17 BHAB Prevention Committee Annual Report. The Accomplishments section was reviewed and edits were suggested.</p>		
XI.	<p>New Business Janis Gardner, Chair, BHAB Prevention Committee Chair invited Dan Hicks to be a Time Certain presenter at an upcoming BHAB PC Meeting in early 2018 to give an overview of the new Alcohol & Drug Programs Prevention Services Strategic Prevention Plan (SPP).</p>		
XIII.	<p>Adjourn Meeting was adjourned at 4:35 PM.</p>		