



# COUNTY OF YOLO

Health and Human Services Agency

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## Behavioral Health Services Provider Stakeholder Work Group Agenda

Thursday, March 17, 2016, 10:30 – 11:30 AM

### MEETING ATTENDEES

Bill Pride, Davis Community Meals; David Hafter, Victor; Sara Gavin, CommuniCare Health Centers; June Forbes, NAMI-Yolo / LMHB; Julie Burns, Phoenix House; Emily Kochly, Sherriff's Office; Sadie Shen, Turning Point Community Programs (TPCP); Alison Book, HHSA, Child Youth and Family Branch; Ting Ting Lee, Suicide Prevention; Pete Martinez, Cache Creek Lodge; Lester Neblett, YFSA; Karen Larsen, HHSA, Adult and Aging Branch; Makayle Neuvert, HHSA, Adult and Aging Branch; Randy Tryon, Fourth and Hope; Tracey Dickinson, HHSA, Adult and Aging Branch; Isaac Blackstock, Yolo Community Care Continuum (YCCC); P. Chow, Yolo Community Care Continuum (YCCC); Desiree Vigel, Shores of Hope

### MEETING NOTES

**Introductions and Program Updates:** Karen Larsen welcomed the group and invited roundtable introductions and program updates.

- Sara Gavin shared that CommuniCare was recently awarded a grant to assist individuals struggling with opiate abuse. Medication assisted treatment programs will be available with a behavioral health team available to provide support.

**Provider Presentation:** HHSA Homeless Coordinator Tracey Dickinson led a panel of County providers in a Homeless Services Overview presentation.

- Tracey Dickinson shared a variety of local statistics from the most recent 2015 homeless count, ([Yolo County Homeless Count 2015](#)) then led the group in a review of a [homeless system overview](#), shared as handout. The following panel of local homeless services providers shared details of their programs.
- Bill Pride: Davis Community Meals <http://daviscommunitymeals.org>
- Desiree Vigel: Shores of Hope. <http://www.shoresofhope.org>
- Isaac Blackstock: Yolo Community Care Continuum, Housing Now Network [http://y3c.org/housing\\_now.aspx](http://y3c.org/housing_now.aspx)
- Randy Tryon: Fourth and Hope <http://www.fourthandhope.org>

**Adult & Aging Branch Update:** Karen Larsen shared the following updates with the group.

- Partnership Healthplan of California: Yolo County was awarded \$499,000 over the next two years for our proposed Bridge to Health and Housing project. The plan is to use the VI-SPIDAT screening tool and partner with local hospitals to support high services users. See the [press release](#) for full details.
- Cooperative Agreements Benefitting Homeless Individuals: Brief details on the Yolo County Applied to Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA) for this grant opportunity were shared. Our proposed project, Extended Hope, aims to serve approximately 75 people experiencing homelessness and co-occurring disorders (CODs) each year. The project will advance client recovery through a two-year integrated treatment approach that focuses on five key areas: (1) housing stability, (2) behavioral and physical health, (3) self-sufficiency, (4) criminal justice involvement, and (5) purpose and community. This was a competitive grant opportunity and Yolo County is very excited about the proposal.
- Stepping Up Summit: Yolo County has been invited to participate in the National Stepping Up Summit in Washington DC, April 17-19. The Yolo County Team will include Supervisor Provenza, Captain Vaughn, Mashan Wolfe and Karen Larsen. The Stepping Up Initiative is a nationwide movement to reduce the number of people with mental illnesses in jail. Stepping Up asks communities to come together to develop an action plan that can be used to achieve measurable impact in local criminal justice systems.

Specifically, the number of people with mental illness in U.S. jails has reached crisis levels with many jails having more people with mental illness than psychiatric hospitals.

- **HHSA Integration:** The HHSA continues to focus on integrating branch staff and programs. Co-location and space planning is a large component of this with many moves are currently underway with an estimated completion date of July 2016. Branches are in the process of educating each other on what programs and teams do and are looking for meaningful ways to work together to support the community and communicate with community partners.
- **Budget:** A brief update on the FY16/17 budget was shared. We do not have high numbers of contracts going for RFP this year but all MHSA plan programs will come up for contract renewal with the new MHSA Plan Update. Infor implementation has presented some unexpected challenges but for now the expectation is that the coming year's budget will not have significant changes.
- **DMC-ODS Waiver:** An implementation plan for Yolo County is in the process of being developed. Phase III began on March 30. Contact [PSWG@yolocounty.org](mailto:PSWG@yolocounty.org) if you want to be added to the planning group.

**Meeting Evaluation: Plus/Delta**

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Clear Information</li> <li>• Panel of Presenters</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decreased Attendance</li> <li>• More Information (handouts / take-away)</li> </ul>

**Plan Future Meetings and Events:**

- The next Meeting is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, 2015 from 10:30 – 11:30 AM at 137 N. Cottonwood, Woodland, CA 95695 – Bauer Building, Thomson Conference Room
- April 21, 2016: HHSA Child Welfare Services Presentation by Alissa Sykes, Lisa Muller, & Alison Book of the HHSA Child, Youth & Family Branch
- May 19, 2016: HHSA Forensic Services Presentation by Sandra Sigrist, Ian Evans, Julie Burns, & Emily Kochly of the HHSA Adult & Aging Branch
- *Coming Soon:* Performance Measurement Training by Joan Planell and Kacey Dominguez of the HHSA Director's Office and Emily Vaden of the HHSA Community Health Branch